

News from the Parishes of Holy Family, Pensby and Our Lady & St. John, Heswall

☞ May They Rest in Peace ☞

Please pray for the repose of the souls of
Brian Harris & Anne Henry
 who have recently died.
 May their souls rest in peace.

Brian Harris' Funeral Mass will be held at **Our Lady and St John's** on **Monday 14th November** at **9am**.



Anne Henry's Funeral Mass will be held at **Holy Family** on **Monday 14th November** at **1pm**.

Please remember to pray for their families at this difficult time.

Parishioners who need our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those in both parishes who are sick at home or in hospital, including:

- Ken Davies
- David Gorman
- Imelda Atherton
- Sara Bull
- David Johnston
- Phil Shaw
- Eileen Roberts
- Irene Fitzpatrick
- Frances Ford
- Maureen Jones
- John McNulty
- John Charles Smith
- Peter Ryan
- Bernard Davies
- Lauren
- Gerald Sanderson
- Carol Ross
- Kevin Doyle
- Anne O'Keeffe
- Andrew Deacon
- Molly Turner



Please get in touch if you would like to add or remove someone from the list.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Adoration



Every Tuesday morning from
 9:30am - 10:30am after the
 Celebration of Word and
 Communion at 9:00am at Our
 Lady and St John.

Everyone welcome.



Confession



Holy Family: 11:45am - 12 noon on Saturdays

Our Lady & St John: 5:15pm - 5:45pm on Saturdays

Come and Pray the Rosary



The Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady and St John's church at **9:30am each Saturday**, for the sick in the parish, our families and all the suffering in our world today.
 Please do come and join us.

Masses for the Week Commencing Sunday 6th November 2022

Sun 6th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week IV)	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Father Patrick Keenan R.I.P.
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Peter Fishwick Birthday Anniversary
Mon 7th November	St Willibrord	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Paul Birch (ill)
Tues 8th November	Ferial	9:00 am	OLSJ	Celebration of Word and Communion
Wed 9th November	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica of the Most Holy Redeemer	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Sheila Rowe R.I.P.
Thurs 10th November	St Leo the Great	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass to Remember the Deceased of the Parish
Fri 11th November	St Martin of Tours	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Wyn Kieran R.I.P.
Sat 12th November	St Josaphat	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come Pray the Rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Moira Williams R.I.P.
		2:00 pm	OLSJ	Laura Garner & Lee Simmonds Wedding
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Maureen Birch & deceased members of the Birch family
Sun 13th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week I) Remembrance Sunday	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Suzanne & Benjamin on their Wedding
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Intentions of Dolores Carter



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Today the Sadducees confront Jesus. They accept only the authority of the Torah, the Law of God as communicated through Moses and do not believe in the resurrection of the dead. They attempt to catch Jesus out over the meaning of scripture. They quote the law of Levirate marriage, which states that if a man's brother dies, his widow must marry the surviving brother, and the first born son is to continue the name and line of the deceased brother. They are aware that Jesus in common with the Pharisees believes in the resurrection and offer an absurd interpretation: seven brothers for one bride. Whose wife shall she be at the resurrection? Jesus contrasts their understanding with a true understanding of resurrection and quotes one of the most important texts for all Jews, where God reveals to Moses that he is a God of the living, not of the dead. The true interpretation of scripture depends on having some understanding of the nature of God. Important in this passage is the contrast between the children of this world and the children of the resurrection who are sons and daughters of God. The children of this world are concerned about status, honour and material wealth, while the children of God are merciful, generous and love their enemies.



November is the Month of The Holy Souls

The envelopes for the Remembrance of your Loved Ones and Offerings are now available in the porch at both churches.

- **At Holy Family**, please place your completed envelopes in the basket by the Sacred Heart Statue.
- **At OLSJ**, please place your completed envelopes in the basket by the altar.
- **Alternatively**, you can post the envelope through the presbytery letterbox.

May we take this opportunity to remind you, because we receive so many Intentions during this month that it's simply not possible to say an Individual Mass for each and every intention. The Mass is simply styled as "Holy Souls", please rest assured however that Masses will be said regularly throughout November and in the coming months, and all your intentions are remembered at those Masses.



At Our Lady and St John, a Mass to remember the Deceased of the Parish of the previous year will take place on **Thursday 10th November at 7pm**. Refreshments will be served after Mass.



SVP Meetings at Our Lady & St John

The next SVP meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Our Lady and St John's on **Wednesday 9th November at 7pm**. If you would like to hear about what we do, please do come along.



Cake Sale and Raffle to raise funds for Children's Liturgy at Our Lady and St John

We will be doing a cake sale after Mass **THIS Saturday**

5th November and Sunday 6th November at OLSJ.

This is to raise money for more Children's Liturgy resources so that we can offer lots of exciting activities, including expanding our Lego collection for Lego church. If you would like to contribute some cakes or other sweet treats these can be left in the parish room before Mass or speak to Joan Larkin or Laura Jones.

ALSO, as well as the Cake Sale, parishioner Christine McAlister has hand sewn and filled a beautiful fabric Advent Calendar, which will be raffled during the Cake Sale after 11:15am Mass **THIS Sunday**. As with the Cake Sale, all proceeds from the raffle will to help buy new resources for Children's Liturgy.



Children's Liturgy at Our Lady and St John's

LEGO CHURCH

A quick reminder that we will be doing a Lego Church activity **this Sunday** in Children's Liturgy at Our Lady & St John. Much like usual, we will be exploring the themes of the Gospel in a child-friendly way, but will be building models from Lego to better understand the message. There is no need to book, to attend, just come along.



World Scout Jamboree

South Korea 2023

We have two scouts Libby O'Keeffe and Susie Everett, within our parish, who have been selected to represent West Wirral at the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea next summer. They have to raise money to support themselves and a fund for Scouts from less affluent countries to attend.

The first event is a **Choir Concert** at Heswall Hall on **20th November**. Tickets are available on eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-evening-with-promising-sounds-tickets-434037165847?utm-campaign=social%2Cemail&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=strongmail&utm-term=listing>).

The second event is a **Quiz Night** at 3rd Heswall Scout Hut (Marksway) on **26th November**. A £10 entry ticket also includes a bowl of homemade scouse (or vegetarian alternative). Starting 7pm for 7.30pm start. Tickets from David O'Keeffe (0151 6489170).

Please do come along to either of these events to help support our two parishioners.



Assam Collection Reminder

Reminder that the next collection for Assam will take place after Mass **THIS Sunday 6th November** at Holy Family.



Ark Christmas Cards

These popular and inexpensive cards will be on sale after the 9.30 am Mass at Holy Family from **THIS Sunday 6th November** and on subsequent Sundays. This is an easy and worthwhile way to support our local charity which gives direct and practical help to the homeless in our locality. Thank you for your support.

A monthly newsletter is produced by the local charity and this contains news of their current activities. If you wish to know more their address is:

Wirral Ark
50 Hamilton Street
Birkenhead
Wirral, Merseyside CH41 5AE

Or e-mail : enquiries@wirralark.org.uk



Pause for Hope

For all those affected in any way by cancer

Pause for Hope Ecumenical Service

St Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester

Sunday 6th November at 15:00

No tickets required. Everyone welcome.

Visit www.pauseforhope.org.uk



Justice and Peace Group

The next Justice & Peace meeting will take place on **Monday 14th November** at Holy Family Church at 7.30pm. The meetings are open to all parishioners from either parish, without any commitment - so why not come along and see what we do?

**First Forgiveness &
First Holy Communion 2023**

If you have a child who is in Year 3 or above, he or she will be eligible to celebrate these important sacraments in 2023. Children in Year 3 at Ladymount will follow a programme of preparation there. For children who are in other schools, there will be a parish programme of preparation taking place in the parish room at Our Lady and St John. If you wish your child to take part in the parish programme, please contact Father Stephen on 342 6581 or email father.stephen@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk

**Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality
Extraordinary General Meeting**



Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) followed by a general Hospitality Meetings will take place on **Sunday 4th December 2022** at 2pm at St Columba's Parish Hall, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1PL. The EGM is being held to discuss constitutional change (as discussed at the AGM) and any proposals **need to be received by no later than 14 days before the meeting.**

Agenda items for the General Hospitality Meeting need to be received **no later than 7 days before the meeting.** Papers to be sent to the Hospitality Secretary. Please pass on the information to other Hospitality Members.

Can you please register your attendance/apologies to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call [07451 249267](tel:07451249267)



Saint Bernadette - Your Stories

Many have said how moving it was to venerate the relics of **Saint Bernadette**. Next year, will be the **90th anniversary of her Canonisation, on Dec 8th, 1933**. To commemorate this, the Department for Evangelisation is planning a Conference and preparing a booklet, and would like to hear from anyone with a story to tell. It could be about the visit of the relics, or a pilgrimage to Lourdes; the cure of a friend, or a family member; or simply what Bernadette means to them. No story is too small - yours could be a source of great encouragement to others. So don't hesitate to get in touch, either by calling Barbara Davies on [07730 526 821](tel:07730526821) or by emailing: StBernadette2033@gmail.com.

**Irish Ceili Dancing
Keep Fit, Have Fun!**



Every Friday 12 noon—1pm

At Wirral Change, St Laurence's Drive
CH41 3JD
(The old St Laurence's school building. The entrance is at the back of the building.)

Absolute beginners welcome, it doesn't matter if you have never danced a step before! It's not like Riverdance, just easy dances with simple steps.



Admission **FREE**.

All enquiries please ring Irish Community Care on 0151 237 3987 or Tricia McClure 07783 842 856



Wedding Congratulations



Congratulations to
Alice Hailwood and Andy Diack
who were married at Our Lady and St John on
Saturday 29th October 2022.



Baptism Congratulations

We warmly welcome the
following children who were baptised in
our Parish during the month of October
2022.

- ★ Chloe Hartley
- ★ Max Emond
- ★ Charlotte Overend
- ★ Rebekah Overend
- ★ Aidan Daniel Gibney
- ★ Esme Shokrollahi
- ★ Ariana Shokrollahi
- ★ Martha Bale

POWER WASHING AT OUR LADY & ST. JOHN

Please note that the paved area around Our Lady
and St John's church will be cleaned next
Wednesday and Thursday (9th & 10th) day time.
Access to the church may be restricted whilst the
person is jet-washing the paving. The floor should
not be slippery but please be aware that there may
be tripping hazards such as hosepipes on the floor.

SEAFARERS CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

This is our annual collection of items for our Seafarers which will be distributed to crew members who will dock in Liverpool during the Christmas period. Here is a list of items which would be appreciated for our Seafarers:

- Chocolate, Sweets, Toblerone
- Shower Gel (Men & Women)
- Deodorant (Men & Women) - *Roll On Deodorants Only*
- Toothpaste & Toothbrush
- Woolly hats, Scarves & Gloves
- Socks
- Playing Cards and Dice
- Pocket games (Chess, dominoes backgammon etc)
- Mini Jigsaws



STELLA MARIS

Any of the above can be put into the box in the **Church Porch at OLSJ** or deliver to **Joan Larkin at 14 Speedwell Drive, Barnston CH60 2SZ**. Last day for donations is **Tuesday 6th December**

If you need any further information please contact Joan on 0151 342 5517. Thank you .
Stella Maris is the charity formerly know as The Apolostleship of the Sea.



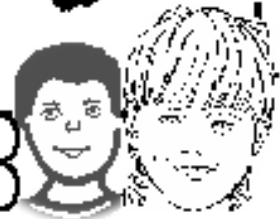
Maccabees 7:1-2.9-14
Psalm 16
Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5
Luke 20:27-38

Speak, Lord



SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

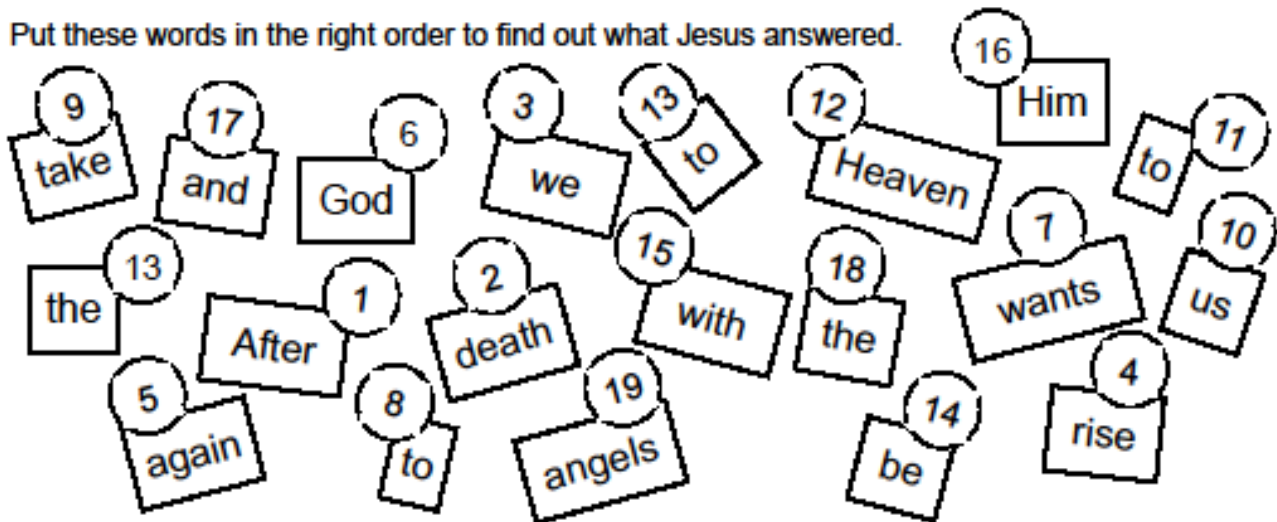
Year C — 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Some people asked Jesus a question.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER PEOPLE DIE?

Put these words in the right order to find out what Jesus answered.



1	2	3	4	5		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19

Listen or read the story in today's first reading about the seven brothers and their mother.

Draw the mother with her 7 sons here.



Watch Sunday Mass
said
by Father Stephen
on our YouTube
channel Our Lady and St
John Heswall

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyzzNjNscAoxuWubVYv04Lw>




Visit the parish

Website



at

www.rcchp.org.uk

Do you know
anyone that doesn't
have access to the
internet?
 A paper copy of the
weekly newsletter can be
sent to them in the post.
Just drop a line to the
Parish Secretary.

**Ways to
Stay in
Touch with
Parish News**

Visit the
Holy Family Pensby
Facebook page



Have your contact
details changed
recently?
If they have,
please let the
Parish Secretary
know.

contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk

 Sign up for the
weekly parish
newsletter via email
To join send an email to
Victoria Hanlon
contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk