

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
- Teresa Grumley



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 13th November 2022

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| 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 |
| Mon 14th November | Ferial | 9:00 am | OLSJ | Funeral Mass for Brian Harris |
| | | 1:00 pm | Holy Family | Funeral Mass for Anne Henry |
| Tues 15th November | St Albert the Great | 9:00 am | OLSJ | Mass - Intentions of Sheila Burgess |
| Wed 16th November | Ss Edmund of Abingdon, Margaret of Scotland, Gertrude | 9:00 am | Holy Family | Mass - Queen Elizabeth's Family |
| Thurs 17th November | Ss Hilda, Hugh of Lincoln, Elizabeth of Hungary | 7:00 pm | OLSJ | Mass - Damian Mills R.I.P. Anniversary |
| Fri 18th November | Ferial | 9:00 am | Holy Family | Mass - John Russell Herbert R.I.P. |
| Sat 19th November | BVM on Saturday | 9:30 am | OLSJ | Come Pray the Rosary |
| | | 12 noon | Holy Family | Mass - Pauline Burke Birthday |
| | | 6:00 pm | OLSJ | Mass - Intentions of Stefan Plotnicki |
| Sun 20th November | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Psalter Week II) | 9:30 am | Holy Family | Mass - Brian Cantillon R.I.P. Anniversary |
| | | 11:15 am | OLSJ | Mass - Peter Louis Smith R.I.P. |

Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

As the expectation in the early Church of an imminent second coming of Jesus begins to wane, Luke has a growing sense that discipleship will be played out over a long period of time. He tells Christians to take up their cross every day, while they pray for their bread daily in the 'Our Father.' In today's gospel Jesus shifts the focus to the need for faithful witness and assures the disciples of God's protection in time of persecution. The Holy Spirit will guide the Church during the time of Jesus' absence. Jesus' predictions of the destruction of the temple, war and natural disasters all bringing persecution in their wake seem hauntingly contemporary. They encourage dispirited people by proclaiming that God is in control of history and that punishment of the wicked will be God's doing, not man's. Jesus is summoning us to faith and hope.

Luke's community has already experienced the destruction of the temple, the death of the first apostles and even betrayal by loved ones. Yet Jesus promises them words and wisdom to sustain them and says that their endurance will win them their lives. As Church we are promised words of hope for the future and a wisdom to guide our lives.



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**, 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 **Tuesday 22nd November at 7pm**. If you would like to hear about what we do, please do come along.



Cake Sale and Raffle THANK YOU

THANK YOU all for the fantastic response to the cake sale that we held at Our Lady and St John last weekend. We made **£280** overall, thanks to the generosity of the parish and the fantastic cakes baked by parishioners. We are going to spend it on new book and photocopying resources and Lego for our new venture, Lego Church.



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?

Liverpool Notre Dame

Association would like to invite all past and present pupils of Liverpool Notre Dame schools to a Mass and Afternoon Tea at the Irenaeus Centre (32, Great George Road Waterloo Liverpool L22 1RD) on **Saturday 26th November 2022**.



Tickets cost £12 per person, to book contact Sheila on sheilabrown52@yahoo.co.uk.

Schedule for the day: -

- ★ Arrival 11am for tea/biscuits/coffee
- ★ 12pm Mass
- ★ 1 - 4 pm Afternoon Tea (buffet style) in the dining room

Raffle/fundraising and time for socialising.

Last day for booking is 19th November.

(When booking if you could advise any dietary requirements e.g. gluten free/vegetarian/vegan also tea or coffee)



World Scout Jamboree

South Korea 2023

We have two scouts Libby O'Keeffe and Susie Everett, within our parishes, 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

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.



Ark Christmas Cards

These popular and inexpensive cards will be on sale after the 9.30 am Mass every Sunday at Holy Family. 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

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



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.



**Seafaring Sunday
Retiring Collection
Weekend 19th/20th
Nov.**

There will be a retiring collection for Seafarers at all Masses on the weekend of **19th & 20th November**. The money will be sent to the Liverpool Seafarers Centre. The LSC provides a front-line service offering expert information, advocacy, and spiritual support to 50,000 seafarers passing through the Port of Liverpool each year.



**Refreshments after
Sunday Masses**

Just a reminder that refreshments are available after both Sunday Masses at Holy Family and Our Lady and St John each week. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat after Mass.



**Advent Service &
10th Anniversary Celebration of the Meeting
Room at Our Lady and St John**

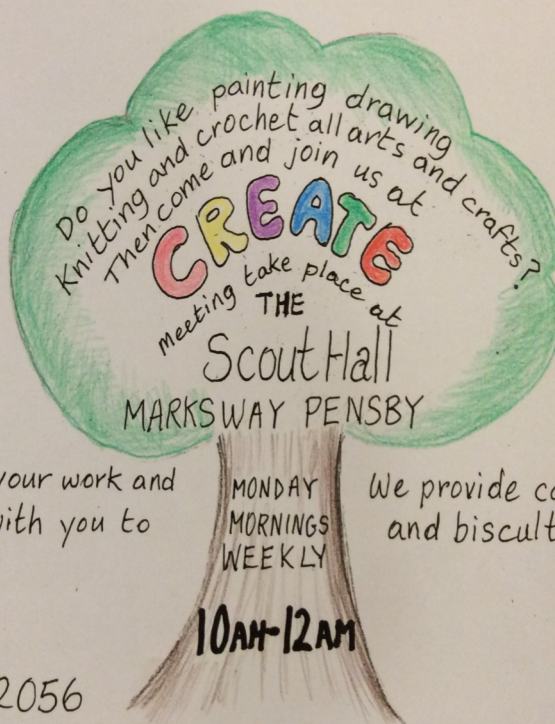
Sunday 11th December at 5pm

Everyone is welcome to come and join us for our special Advent Service this year, as we will also be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Parish Meeting Room.

There will be a service of carols and readings followed by a hot supper and celebrations in the Meeting Room.

There is no charge or tickets required, but we will be asking everyone who would like to attend to complete a form, so that we can make sure that we cater for enough people. The forms will be available at the back of church. Please hand completed forms back to Father Stephen or in the box at the back of Our Lady and St John.

If you would like to attend and have any special dietary requirements, please do mention them on the form and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.



**Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine,
Ireland, 27th March 2023.**

£699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. Single supplement £150.00.

All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum.

Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

**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



Speak, Lord



SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year C — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said:

**Some BAD things
will happen:**

**WARS, FAMINES,
EARTHQUAKES and
PLAGUES, PEOPLE
SUFFERING and
put to PRISON.**

Draw a picture of one of the bad things
mentioned by Jesus.

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Colour in the
squares with a star
(*) to reveal what
Jesus said we
should do.

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

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

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.

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

