

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
**Christopher Cadwell, Lisa McKenzie &
Moira Baker**
who have recently died. May their souls rest in
peace.

Christopher Cadwell's Funeral Service will be
held at **Landican Cemetery on Monday 23rd
January at 11:30 am**

Lisa McKenzie's Funeral Service will be held at
**Landican Cemetery on Tuesday 24th
January at 2:00 pm**

Moira Baker's Funeral Mass will be held at **Our
Lady & St John on Monday 30th January at
11:15 am**

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
- John McNulty
- John Charles Smith
- Peter Ryan
- Bernard Davies
- Lauren
- Gerald Sanderson
- Carol Ross
- Kevin Doyle
- Anne O'Keeffe
- Andrew Deacon
- Molly Turner
- Joe Hemington
- Fred McCloud



*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.



Confession



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


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

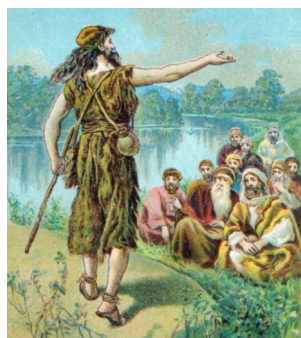
Come and Pray the Rosary



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 15th January 2023

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| Sunday 15th January | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week II)  <i>Day of Special Prayer for World Peace</i> | 9:30 am | Holy Family | Mass - Norah Chadwick & Lawrence Chadwick |
| | | | 11:15 am | OLSJ | Mass - Mike Rolland (Sick) |
| Monday 16th January | | Ferial | 9:00 am | OLSJ | Mass - Margaret McGurk R.I.P. 1st Anniversary |
| Tuesday 17th January | | St Anthony | 9:00 am | OLSJ | Celebration of Word and Communion |
| Wednesday 18th January | | Ferial | 9:00 am | Holy Family | Mass - Barbara Ball R.I.P. |
| Thursday 19th January | | St Wulstan | 7:00 pm | OLSJ | Mass - Aileen Pocock |
| Friday 20th January | | Ss Fabian & Sebastian | 9:00 am | Holy Family | Mass - Helen Teahan (Birthday) |
| Saturday 21st January | | St Agnes | 9:30 am | OLSJ | Come Pray the Rosary |
| | | | 12 Noon | Holy Family | Mass - Queen Elizabeth II R.I.P. |
| | | | 6:00 pm | OLSJ | Mass - Fiona McDonagh Anniversary |
| Sunday 22nd January | 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week III) <i>Day of Special Prayer for Openness to the Word of God</i> | 9:30 am | Holy Family | Mass - Samuel Chadwick | |
| | | 11:15 am | OLSJ | Mass - Andrew Whittingham-Jones R.I.P. | |



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

John the Baptist is the herald of Jesus' arrival in all four Gospels, but in John's Gospel his role is to offer testimony about Jesus which is completed by his final words in the Gospel: "Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God." John's Gospel also makes it clear that the Baptist is subordinate to Jesus. He is not the light. The Baptist states "A man is coming after me who ranks before me, because he existed before me." And although John speaks of Jesus' baptism, he does not actually baptise Jesus. John's farewell is, "He must increase; I must decrease."

John appears as a witness, who offers true testimony about Jesus. Only in John's gospel does he call Jesus the Lamb of God. This title evokes Jesus as the suffering Servant of Isaiah, who like a silent lamb is led to the slaughter. Jesus is the paschal lamb sacrificed for the sin of the world or the lamb that overcomes evil and takes away the world's sin. We are called to witness faithfully to Christ in our trials, to speak the truth on his behalf, but always with the attitude that he must increase and we must decrease.



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY - Monday 16th January to Sunday 22nd January

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity will commence on Monday 16th January, with the final service on Sunday 22nd Jan at 4pm.

All services will be held at the Methodist Church on Telegraph Road but will be led by a different minister each day as follows:

- ★ Monday 16th January – Service led by the Church of England
- ★ Tuesday 17th January – Service led by the Methodists
- ★ Wednesday 18th January – Service led by the URC
- ★ Thursday 19th January – Service led by the Roman Catholics
- ★ Friday 20th January – Service led by the Quakers

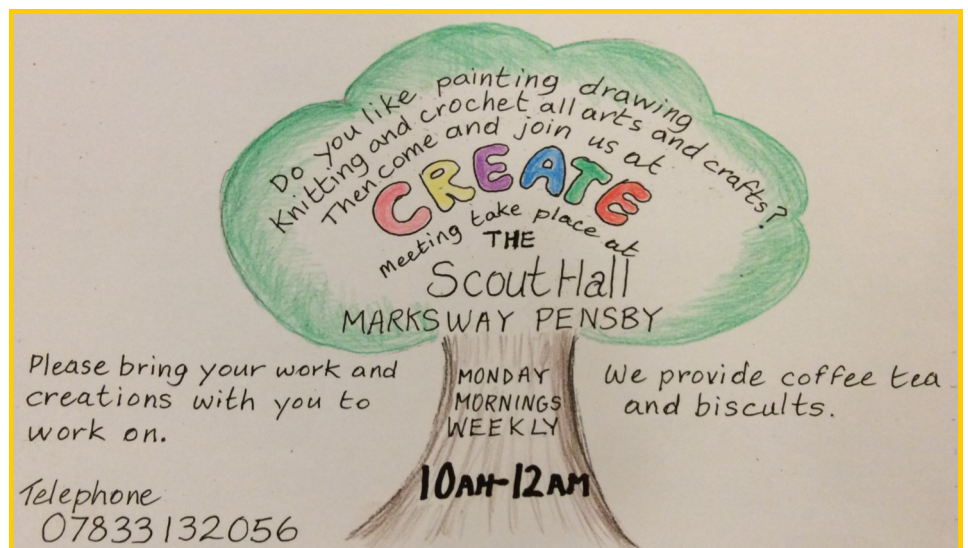
All the services will be at 11:30 am to 12:30 and hot drinks will be served on arrival.

On Sunday 22nd January, there will be the Closing Service at 4pm, again at the Methodist Church on Telegraph Road. Everyone welcome, please do come along to support this.

Justice and Peace Group



The next Justice & Peace meeting will take place on **Monday 16th January** 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?



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

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