

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 soul of

Anita Farrell

who has recently died. May her soul rest in peace.

Anita's Funeral Mass will be held at Our Lady & St John on Wednesday 17th May at 11:00 am

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Please remember to pray for her family 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
- Irene Fitzpatrick
- Frances Ford
- John McNulty
- John Charles Smith
- Peter Ryan
- Bernard Davies
- Lauren
- Gerald Sanderson
- Carol Ross
- Kevin Doyle
- Molly Turner
- Joe Hemington
- Fred McCloud
- Lin Thompson
- Peter, Gary & Alan
- Phyllis Driscoll & Family
- Koumar Ray



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



Confession



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

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



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.



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.



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 2nd April 2023

Sunday 23rd April	Third Sunday of Easter	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Barbara Batey R.I.P.
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Margaret McGurk R.I.P. Birthday Anniversary 100 Years
Monday 24th April	St George	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Peter Campbell R.I.P.
Tuesday 25th April	St Mark	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Nora O'Donoghue R.I.P.
Wednesday 26th April	Ferial	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Fr Francis Maple Diamond Anniversary
Thursday 27th April	Ferial	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Intentions of Mark Cotton
Friday 28th April	Ss Peter Chanel & Louis Marie de Montfort	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Helen Williams Birthday
Saturday 29th April	St Catherine of Siena <i>Day of Special Prayer for Europe</i>	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come Pray the Rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Sister Francine CP
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - To Thank Our Lady & St. John Paul II
Sunday 30th April	Fourth Sunday of Easter <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Moira Baker & Family
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Jim Walker



Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Two of the disciples of Jesus as they leave Jerusalem on their way to Emmaus engage in an animated conversation about their shattered hopes. An unknown stranger joins them and asks, "What matters are you discussing as you walk along?" They tell him about

Jesus of Nazareth who was handed over to the Romans to be sentenced to death and crucified. They had hoped that he would be the one to set Israel free, in the same way as their warrior God had delivered the people from slavery and destroyed the Egyptian army to aid their escape. Jesus responds, "Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter his glory?" Then he explains the passages throughout the scriptures that are about himself. The disciples expected a Messiah who would conquer enemies, but Jesus is a Messiah who is executed by those who oppose him and his message. Jesus speaks final words not of conquest but of prayer to his Father, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." The disciples come to a full understanding of the resurrection as Jesus, having accepted their hospitality breaks open the word of Scripture and breaks bread with them. Then their eyes are opened and they recognise him. For them and for us God transforms shattered hopes into new possibilities in the Eucharist.



Monthly Assam Collection

This is a reminder that the usual monthly Assam collection will take place after Sunday Mass at Holy Family, **NEXT SUNDAY, 7th May.**



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

LEGO CHURCH

At Lego Church we explore the themes of the Gospel in a child-friendly way by building models from Lego to better understand the message. If you would like to join us for the next session, it will be on **Sunday 7th May**. There is no need to book, to attend, just come along.



Would all box holders in Holy Family please bring boxes to church for emptying/counting. Boxes can be left in Sacristy or handed to John Wrigley. Donations also gratefully received.

Hoylake Pro-life Group Sanctity of Life Service

Hoylake Pro-life Group is a small independent group which strives to defend human life without judgement or condemnation). We will be holding our third Sanctity of Life Service at

2:30pm on Sunday May 14th

at St Catherine and Martina's church in Hoylake

This will be an ecumenical service of prayer and music to proclaim and uphold the sanctity of life. The service will last about 35 minutes and will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. All are welcome.



Big Brekkie

This year's Big Brekkie will be on **13th May from 10am until midday at the United Reform Church (next to Tescos)**

Minimum donation £6 to include juice, muffins, croissants, pastries, fruit, tea/coffee. All Proceeds to Christian Aid.



UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

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Alternatively, they are relaunching a paper copy of their newspaper from 19th May, which can be sent straight to your door.

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CHARITY PLANT SALE From Tuesday 25th April

Mature heritage tomatoes; Brandy Wine, Roma, Costaluto Fienturo, Gardeners Delist, Tigerella and Minibelle. Large French Beans and Runner Beans over 1m tall. Also green vegetables, salads and flowering plants.

All available to purchase from:
The Pines, 18 Baskerville Road, Gayton.

To view or purchase contact Mary Scott on 342 1277 or 07754358546.

All proceeds will be sent to Missio.



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said
by Father Stephen
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