

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
**Eileen Braithwaite, Bill Hannaford, Patricia
Jones & Denise Thompson**
who have recently died. May their souls rest in
peace.

Eileen's Funeral Service will be held at **Holy
Family on Monday 19th June at 12:30**

Bill's Funeral Mass will be held at **Our Lady &
St John on Friday 23rd June at 10:30 am**

Patricia's Funeral Mass will be held at **Our
Lady & St John on Thursday 29th June at 12
noon.**

A Mass in celebration of the life of **Denise
Thompson (nee Reynolds)** who died recently of
a brain tumour will be held at **Our Lady and St
John on Saturday 15th July at 1pm.** Some
parishioners may remember Denise, her sister,
Michelle, or her mother, Anita Reynolds. Denise
grew up in Heswall and attended Upton Hall
Convent and Upton Manor Prep School; her
family were parishioners of OLSJ.

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
- Ken & 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
- Gary & Alan
- Phyllis Driscoll & Family
- Koumar Ray



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

Sausage Butty Alert

On **Sunday 25th June** there will be "Hot Sausage Butties" being served in the Meeting Room after 11:15am Mass at OLSJ. If you would like to partake, please complete a form in the church porch and place it in the basket provided. It just helps us to gauge how many we need to cater for. The cost will be £1.50 per butty. Vegetarian option available.

The last date to place an order is THIS

Wednesday 21st June 2023.

Everyone welcome.



Masses for the Week Commencing Sunday 18th June 2023

Sunday 18th June	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Special Day of Prayer for Life</i> <i>Psalter Week III</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Jan Holliday R.I.P.
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - William Weeks R.I.P.
Monday 19th June	St Romuald	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Henry Bernard McGurk R.I.P.
Tuesday 20th June	St Alban	12:30 pm	Holy Family	Eileen Briathwaite Funeral Service
		9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Peter Campbell R.I.P.
Wednesday 21st June	St Aloysius Gonzaga	9:00 am	Holy Family	No Mass
Thursday 22nd June	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More <i>Day of Special Prayer for those who suffer persecution, oppression & denial of human rights</i>	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Shaan Speed R.I.P.
Friday 23rd June	St Ethelreda	10:30 am	OLSJ	Bill Hannaford Funeral Mass
Saturday 24th June	The Nativity of John the Baptist	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come pray the rosary
		10:00 am	Holy Family	Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Special Intention In Thanksgiving
Sunday 25th June	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week IV</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Joan Heneghan (sick)
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Fr. Alex Ribello

Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Today's gospel falls into three parts: the picture of Jesus as the compassionate shepherd, his choice and empowering of twelve disciples and his commission to them to participate in his mission. Jesus' compassion arises over the sheep who are harassed and dejected, literally lying on the ground. Out of compassion Jesus commissions the twelve with the same power that he possesses. The twelve represent Jesus' understanding of himself as the one who will restore the twelve tribes of Israel as the new people of God. As an *institution* the Twelve does not continue in early Christianity, though their *mission* of imitating Christ through service to the suffering continues in the Church's 'pastoral' (literally 'shepherding') ministry. Jesus sends the Twelve out as itinerant missionaries who are continue his mission, relying on God rather than on human acceptance. Unlike Mark, in Matthew's gospel Jesus and the disciples are not to enter non-Jewish territory. In Matthew the mission to the nations, which was anticipated by the visit of the wise men, is the task of the Church after Jesus' resurrection when he summons them to make disciples of all nations. As a Church we are a community always in mission and we confront with compassion those who suffer and are imprisoned by evil.





St John Plessington Catholic College Foundation Governors

St John Plessington Catholic College is looking to recruit Foundation Governors. If you are interested in playing a key role in ensuring that the best possible education is provided for pupils please get in touch with Peadar McLoughlin - 0151 645 5049.



Monthly Assam Collection Totals

Here are the Assam collection totals from February 2023 to May 2023. Thank you so much for your continuing generosity and support.

February:	Total: £113.00
March:	Total: £141.63
April:	Total: £ 77.00
May:	Total: £155.10



Irish Ceili Dancing Keep Fit, Have Fun!

FREE EXERCISE CLASS DANCING TO IRISH MUSIC

Come along every Friday from 12 noon to 1.30pm when you can have a free class keeping fit with some dancing.

Where: Wirral Change, Birkenhead. This used to be St Laurence's Primary School, 12-14 St Laurence Drive, Birkenhead CH41 3JD

Very easy to get there by bus, train or car. Why not come along and see?

For more information contact : Joan on 07542213158



42nd Medjugorje Anniversary Celebration

on

Sunday 25th June at 2pm

at

St John the Evangelist, New Ferry CH62 5BJ

Procession in honour of Our Lady.

Rosary reflections testimonies and Holy hour.

Contact Steve Burke

07534362555



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.



St. Anselm's College for Boys Open Evening

The college will be hosting an information and open evening for boys who are currently in Years 4 and 5 and are interested in finding out more about the school. The event will take place at the College on **Wednesday 21st June from 5 - 8pm.**

No appointments necessary.

For further information, please contact

admissions@st-anselms.com



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.

POST CORONATION AFTERNOON TEA

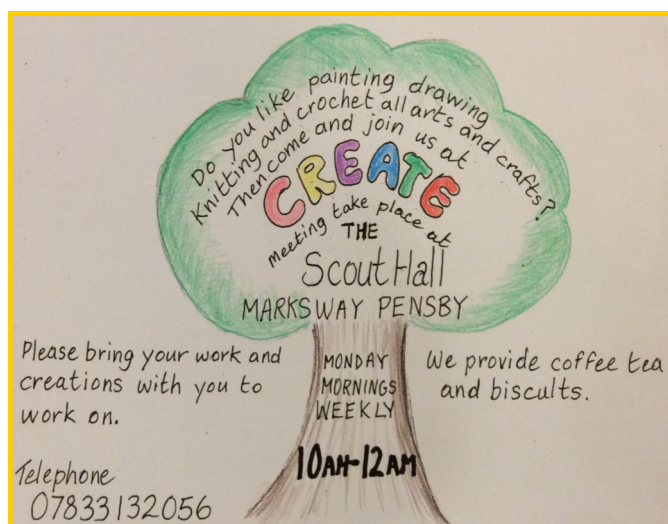
Saturday 1st July

Holy Family's annual Strawberry Afternoon Tea will be combined this year, with a post Coronation Afternoon Tea. It will be held at Holy Family church, outside (weather permitting) from 1:30pm– 3:30pm.

If you would like to come along and join the celebration give your name to the Refreshment Team to book a place. Everyone welcome.



You may have noticed that we have started a refresh of the library at the back of Our Lady and St John's. The books that have been removed will be put in the Meeting Room over the next couple of weeks. Please do take a look and feel free to take one or please do tell us if you wish any to be reinstated. Please be reassured that any books that are not claimed from the Meeting Room, will be donated to charity and not thrown away.



DIocese of
SHREWSBURY

DIOCESAN VACANCY Welfare Nurse

Due to the upcoming retirement of our current RGN/ Welfare Officer, the Diocese is looking to appoint a replacement. The role is for 3 days per week. Salary: £38 - £42K FTE pro rata depending on experience. For further details of the role please see the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

Completed application should be sent to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Closing date 30 June 2023.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR FATHER STEPHEN

The Diocese is rolling out new Diocesan email addresses to all the members of its clergy. Father Stephen's new email address going forward is:

stephen.coonan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

This replaces his current email address:

father.stephen@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk

To contact the Parish Secretary, please **continue** to use:

contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk

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
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Parish News**

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anyone that doesn't
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recently?
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