

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
Fergus Thornton, Susan Massie, Iris Cronin, Rita Sugrue & Bernard Duffy
who have recently died. May their souls rest in peace.

Fergus Thornton's Funeral Service will be held
at **Landican Cemetery on Tuesday 26th**
September at 3:00pm

Susan Massie's Funeral Mass will be held at
Our Lady & St John on Friday 29th
September at 10:00am

Iris Cronin's Funeral Service will be held at
Landican Cemetery on Friday 29th
September at 12:30pm

Rita Sugrue Funeral Mass will be held at **Our**
Lady & St John on Thursday 12th October at
11:00am

Bernard Duffy's Funeral Service will be held at
Landican Cemetery on Monday 16th October
at 1:00pm

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
- Frances Ford
- John McNulty
- John Charles Smith
- Peter Ryan
- Bernard Davies
- Gerald Sanderson
- Carol Ross
- Kevin Doyle
- Molly Turner
- Joe Hemington
- Fred McCloud
- Lin Thompson
- Gary & Alan
- Phyllis Driscoll & Family
- Koumar Ray
- Claire Roddick
- Helen Boyd
- Moira Griffiths-Parr
- Frances Firth



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

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.



Confession

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

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



Masses for week commencing Sunday 17th September 2023

Sunday 24th September	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week I</i> Special Day of Prayer for the Harvest	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Mrs Gallagher
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Fred & Janine Overton R.I.P.
Monday 25th September	Ferial	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Peter O'Hanlon R.I.P.
Tuesday 26th September	Ss Cosmas & Damian	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Frances Firth & Family
Wednesday 27th September	St Vincent de Paul	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Private Intention
Thursday 28th September	Ss Wenceslaus, Lawrence & Companions	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Eileen Finn Anniversary
Friday 29th September	Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Lisa & Paul Barsby
		10:00 am	OLSJ	Susan Massie Funeral Mass
Saturday 30th September	St Jerome	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come pray the rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Graham Joyce R.I.P.
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Irene Fitzpatrick R.I.P.
Sunday 1st October	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week II</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Earthquake Victims in Morocco
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Harvest Mass - Christopher Henry Tickle 14th Anniversary R.I.P.


Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

In today's Gospel labourers are queuing up at 6am looking for work. The landowner offers them the usual daily wage (a denarius) and they go off to work happily. He goes out again at 9am, noon and 3pm and hires more workers for 'a fair wage.' Then he goes out again at 5pm finds workers who have remained idle all day and hires them without specifying a salary. At the end of the day the bailiff distributes the wages beginning with the last and ending with the first. Those who had barely worked up a sweat receive a denarius and we can almost hear the rest of the workforce chatting approvingly in the expectation of receiving more. Yet each receive the same daily wage. This leads to their grumbling: "The men who came last have done only one hour and you have treated them the same as us who have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." The landowner responds to them, "I am not being unjust. We agreed on one denarius. Take your money and go. Why be envious because I am generous?" When envy distorts our view of the world, an act of goodness and generosity to other people blinds us to our own and others' good fortune.



**no one
beyond reach**

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal - Friday 6th October

Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need.



To donate to this appeal, either use the envelope in church or give online at cafod.org.uk. You can also scan this QR code on your phone to take you straight to Cafod's donation webpage.



Envelopes will be at the back of both of our parish churches and available for donations throughout October (just return them via the offertory collection baskets at Mass).



You're warmly invited to come and pray with us on the first Friday of every month at Our Lady and St John's, for an **hour of prayer for Peace in Reparation to The Sacred**

Heart of Jesus.

Our next prayer gathering will take place on **Friday 6th October at 2:30pm.**

If you can't be with us in person, please join us in private prayer wherever you are that day. We especially invite the sick and housebound to be with us in spirit and prayers.

Following the Hour of Prayer for Peace we'll have tea and coffee in the Meeting Room.



Monthly Assam Collection

Reminder that because of the CAFOD Family Fast day collection there will be **NO Assam Collection** on Sunday 1st October.



**Caritas
(Children's Society)**

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.



Votive Candles at OLSJ

We have replaced the temperamental gas lighters on the votive candle stands with a permanent large candle (fixed securely to the stand and the floor to prevent anyone inadvertently knocking it over) and tapers. Please take the votive candle to the large candle, use the taper to light the votive candle and place it on the stand, ensuring that the taper is fully extinguished when finished.



Season of Creation

1st September to 4th October



Let Justice and Peace Flow

Season of Creation 2023

A Mighty River
Amos 5: 24

Harvest Celebration Mass Donations at OLSJ - Sunday 1st October

At the Harvest Celebration Mass at Our Lady & St. John at 11.15am on Sunday 1st October the parish will be collecting donations of food for **Charles Thompson's Mission, Birkenhead.**

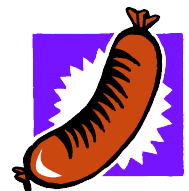
If you are able, can you please bring along some of the following:

- Tinned meat
- Tinned fish
- Tinned/packet soup
- Tinned beans or spaghetti
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned rice pudding/custard
- Pasta sauce
- Pasta
- Rice
- Tea/coffee
- Jam/marmalade

Please note, there will be a box for food donations at the back of church from **Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October (this will temporarily replace the Food Bank donations box).**

Sausage Butty Sunday - Sunday 1st October - Last chance to place an order!

We are marking the end of the Season of Creation with a celebration Harvest Mass at 11:15am at Our Lady and St John on **Sunday 1st October**. This will be followed by a sausage butties, cake, tea and coffee in the Meeting Room. For catering purposes it would be really helpful if everyone, who would like to attend, could fill out a food request slip and return it to us by **Sunday 24th September**. A basket will be left in the porch at Our Lady and St John's for replies. The cost of each butty will be £1.50, payable on the day. We hope that you will be able to join us in the celebration.



Recycle Printer Cartridges and help CAFOD



As part of our LiveSimply drive, we have organised for a recycling box for used printer cartridges to be left in the Meeting Room at Our Lady & St John.

Once there are 50+ used cartridges in the box then we shall send it to The Recycling Factory. They will then recycle them and give a donation CAFOD. The Recycling Factory has already donated over £68,000 to CAFOD and we should like help with this good cause.

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

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/
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