

# 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  
**Janet Smith & Fr. Leon**  
who have recently died. May their souls rest in  
peace.



**Fr. Leon's** Funeral Mass will be held at  
**St. Alban's, Liscard** on  
**Thursday 25th April at 12 noon**

**Janet Smith's** Funeral Service will be held at  
**Holy Family** on  
**Tuesday 30th April at 11:15 am**

Please remember to pray for their families at this  
difficult time.

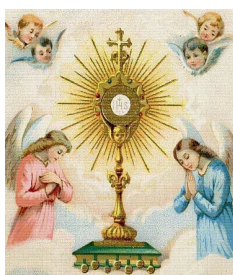
## Parishioners who need our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those in  
both parishes who are sick at home or in hos-  
pital, including:

- 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
- Gerry Smith
- Ian Butler
- Pat Lord
- Mike Robb
- Grant Adonis
- Victoria Interi
- Ann Parsons
- Peter Davies



## 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



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

**Masses for week commencing Sunday 14th April 2024**

<b>Sunday</b> 14th April	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Psalter Week II</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Frances Firth R.I.P. & Firth Family
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Dolores Carter R.I.P.
Monday 15th April	Ferial	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Pat & Marco Miserotti & Bill Holt
Tuesday 16th April	Ferial	9:00 am	OLSJ	Mass - Peter Brown R.I.P.
Wednesday 17th April	Ferial	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Henry Bernard McGurk R.I.P. Anniversary
Thursday 18th April	Ferial	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Elizabeth Greene R.I.P.
Friday 19th April	Ferial	9:00 am	Holy Family	Mass - Mr F. Sudlow & Family
Saturday 20th April	Ferial	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come pray the rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - MrSteve Burke (Birthday)
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Hilary Clark R.I.P.
<b>Sunday</b> 21st April	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Psalter Week III</i> <i>Day of prayer throughout the world for vocations</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Intentions of Peter Ryan
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Diana Russell R.I.P.



## Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

*By Father Stephen*

In his appearances the risen Jesus proclaims, "Peace!" in Hebrew "Shalom." He then shows his wounds and the reality of bodily resurrection is affirmed by the meal he shares with his disciples, symbolising that the Church will continue to experience Jesus' presence in its gatherings for the Eucharist. Together with peace,

forgiveness is one of the prime gifts of the risen Christ. The Old Testament expressions for forgiveness image the removal or wiping away of an offence, with the added New Testament overtones of sending away the offence or release from a debt. The Bible stresses both divine and human forgiveness, epitomised in the Lord's prayer: "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive those who are in debt to us." The appearances of the risen Christ bring the disciples a profound experience of being forgiven. All the gospels describe the disciples running away when Jesus is arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane and Peter's denying even to know Jesus. Paul was changed from persecutor to apostle by the grace of the risen Lord. The peace that the risen Jesus brought released the first followers from their shame and failure and transformed them into missionaries and martyrs. Let us recall times when we too have experienced God's surprising, forgiving love.

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

Children's Liturgy will be back after the Easter break, this Sunday, 14th April at 11:15am Mass.



**CAFOD**  
Just one world

Please join CAFOD in praying for peace in Israel and Gaza

#### A prayer for peace in Israel and Gaza

Christ, Prince of Peace,  
hear our prayer and lament,  
for our suffering sisters and brothers.  
Our hearts are heavy as we witness lives torn apart,  
as we see the faces of frightened children  
and hear the pleas of those without water or food.  
We pray for the dead and the grieving,  
for the injured and the afraid.  
We pray for courage and perseverance,  
for those working for healing and to bring aid.  
We pray for world leaders,  
that they may strive for a just and lasting peace.

God of new beginnings,  
in your ways are compassion and hope.  
Open our hearts to dialogue and understanding.  
Lead us all to answer your call  
to become peacemakers  
today, and all the days of our life.

Amen.



#### Ladymount Pre-school

We have places available for children aged 2½ to 5. We provide a brilliant transition into Ladymount Primary School. 30 Hours and Universal Funding accepted as well as new 2 Year Old Funding for Working Parents. We offer a warm and loving environment for your child with a wealth of learning opportunities and experiences supported by a superbly qualified and experienced staff team.

Tel: Gill on 0151 648 8005

Email: [preschool@ladymount.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:preschool@ladymount.wirral.sch.uk)

Check out our website: [ladymountpreschool.com](http://ladymountpreschool.com)

#### Red Missio Boxes



Would all box holders bring them to church for emptying/counting?

Boxes can be left in Sacristy or handed to:

⇒ Ian Butler (Our Lady and St. John)

⇒ John Wrigley (Holy Family)

Donations also gratefully received.

**St. Anselm's College will be celebrating its 90th Anniversary with a special Mass on Saturday 20th April at 11am**



**St. Anselm's College**  
Edmund Rice Academy Trust



The Headmaster and Governors invite you to

a Mass in the College Hall at 11am on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024  
to celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of St. Anselm's College during the Academic Year 1933-34

*Followed by light refreshments and bar*

*Guided tours of Outwood House will be available*

**St. Anselm's College**  
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#### Printer Cartridge

#### Recycling Reminder

As part of our Live Simply drive, we have a recycling box for used printer cartridges at the back of Our Lady & St John's church porch next to the piety stall.



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.

Please note that unfortunately, **we are no longer collecting empty blister packs for recycling**, as the recycling scheme has finished. Please dispose of them in your general household waste bin. Thank you.



# Anointing & Healing Service

## Friday 3 May 2024

7pm  
St John's Church  
Bebington Road,  
New Ferry, Wirral  
CH62 5BJ

'What matters is faith that makes its power felt through love'  
(Gal 5: 6)

With Fr Pat Collins  
Author, Retreat Director & Conference Speaker.


## ANNUAL MISSIO PLANT SALE

now open

Mature heritage tomato varieties:  
Grown in our own greenhouse over winter and now up to 80cm tall. Also, limited supply of green beans and strawberries available for immediate outdoor planting.

The Pines, 18, Baskervyle Road Gayton  
Contact: Mary Scott 07754358546/01513421277

All proceeds to MISSIO Ukraine & Gaza appeals



## Wirral Foodbank

Please help by donating 1 or 2 of the following items that they urgently need:

**Tinned Fish, Tinned Meat, Tinned Vegetables, Peas, Carrots, Sweetcorn, Fruit Squash, Jam, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Potatoes, Deodorant**

*We have plenty of BEANS & TEA thank you.*

**MANY THANKS**

There are large collection boxes in the porch area of both our Parish churches.



## 3rd Heswall Scouts Needs Your Help!



3rd Heswall Scout Group has been awarded a shot at the Tesco Stronger Starts Blue Token scheme!!!

Please, please, please can we ask you all to spread the news among family and friends and to vote for us every time you go to Tesco. If we win \*We could be awarded £1,500!!!\* That is a huge amount of money we can use to support our young people!

We are in the Big Tesco in Heswall and the Little Tesco in Pensby and a number of other stores.




Thanks everyone!!!!

## Medjugorje Pilgrimage

5 day option 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2024  
£549 per person sharing / £635 single room

8 Day option 20<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2024  
£ 715 per person sharing / £835 single room

Flying from Manchester airport.  
Be there for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary.  
contact Maria 07576243343 St Ann's Rock Ferry.



Click on [Fruit of Medjugorje – MaryTV Medjugorje](#) play list 153 gives the history since June 25<sup>th</sup> 1981.



## Community Groups



Our community groups empower members to address daily life challenges in a supportive environment.

Pop in and join us for a cuppa



- \* Monday mornings, 9.30am – 12pm, St. Joseph's Centre, Birkenhead, CH42 7JY
- \* Tuesday mornings, 9.30am – 12pm, The Quiet Space, Hoylake Community Centre, CH47 3AG
- \* Tuesday mornings, 9.30am – 12pm, St. Barnabas Centre, Bromborough, CH62 7AA

CALL LISA 07394 568 254  
OR LINDA 07824 329 340



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](http://www.rcchp.org.uk)

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.

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

Visit the Holy Family Pensby Facebook page



 Sign up for the weekly parish newsletter via email. To join send an email to Victoria Hanlon [contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk](mailto:contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk)

Have your contact details changed recently? If they have, please let the Parish Secretary know.  
[contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk](mailto:contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk)