

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
Roy Butler, Michael Wright & Margaret Duncan
who have recently died. May their souls rest in peace.

Roy Butler's Funeral Mass will be held at
Our Lady & St John on
Monday 30th September at 12 noon.

Michael Wright's Funeral Mass will be held at
Our Lady & St John on
Wednesday 2nd October at 12 noon.

Margaret Duncan's Funeral Service will be held
at **Landican Cemetery** on
Wednesday 9th October at 11 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
- Molly Turner
- Joe Hemington
- Gary & Alan
- Phyllis Driscoll & Family
- Claire Roddick
- Moira Griffiths-Parr
- Ian Butler
- Pat Lord
- Mike Robb
- Victoria Interi
- Ann Parsons
- Peter Davies
- Clare Brown
- Frances O'Boyle
- Mary Reilly
- Tess Gribbin
- Margaret Heery



Come and Pray the Rosary

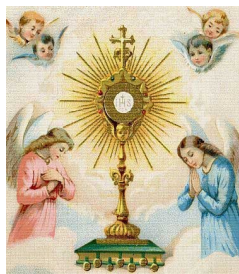
The Rosary will be prayed at Our Lady and St
John's church at **9:30am each Saturday**, for the
sick in the parish, our families and all the suffering in our
world today.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Adoration

Every Tuesday morning from
9:30am - 10:30am after the Cel-
ebration of Word and Com-
munion at 9:00am at Our Lady
and St John.

Everyone welcome.



Confession

Holy Family: 11:30am - 11:50am 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.*

Sunday 22nd September	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week I</i> Special Day of Prayer for the Harvest	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - Tess Gribbin ill
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Kumar Ray R.I.P.
Monday 23rd September	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)	9:00 am	OLSJ	Celebration of Word & Communion
Tuesday 24th September	Our Lady of Walsingham	9:00 am	OLSJ	Celebration of Word & Communion
		9:30 am	OLSJ	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday 25th September	Ferial	9:00 am	Holy Family	Celebration of Word & Communion
Thursday 26th September	Ss Cosmas & Damian	7:00 pm	OLSJ	Celebration of Word & Communion
Friday 27th September	St Vincent de Paul	9:00 am	Holy Family	Celebration of Word & Communion
Saturday 28th September	Ss Wenceslaus, Lawrence Ruiz & companions	9:30 am	OLSJ	Come pray the rosary
		12 noon	Holy Family	Mass - Joseph Ferris R.I.P. Birthday Remembrance
		6:00 pm	OLSJ	Mass - Mother's Prayer Group
Sunday 29th September	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Psalter Week II</i>	9:30 am	Holy Family	Mass - John Herbert R.I.P. Anniversary
		11:15 am	OLSJ	Mass - Intentions of Deidre Romaniuk

SITTING DOWN, JESUS CALLED THE
TWELVE AND SAID, "IF ANYONE
WANTS TO BE FIRST, HE MUST BE
THE LAST OF ALL AND THE SERVANT
OF ALL."
- MARK 9:35

Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

By Father Stephen

Jesus, the Son of Man is making his way towards Jerusalem and his passion. Most people misunderstand him and this causes embarrassment and confusion among his disciples. He, nevertheless, wants to keep them on board and so he tutors them gradually about their role as heralds of a suffering Messiah. They don't find this teaching easy. Jesus has his work cut out to overcome their blindness and lack of understanding. "What were you arguing about along the road?" asks Jesus. They say nothing, because they had been arguing about who will be the greatest in the earthly kingdom they still hope Jesus will establish. They have come from humble backgrounds, but they long for positions of prestige and power, in which they can give orders to people and throw their weight about a little. "If anyone wishes to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all," Jesus continues. This is the example that Jesus, the Suffering Servant, keeps on giving. The disciples don't get it. How about us? Do we look for positions of power or do we ask ourselves in what way we can best serve others, how we can best help those in need of care, advice, encouragement?



International Harvest Festival

29th September at Our Lady and St. John

This year for our offertory collection, we will be collecting donations of food for the Charles Thompson Mission in Birkenhead. They have put together a list of items that they are short of:

- Long Life Milk
- Sugar
- Tea
- Coffee
- Curry Sauce
- Pasta Sauce
- Tinned Soup
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Potatoes or packet of Mash
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Meat, Sausages, Meatballs
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Baked Beans
- Cereal
- Porridge Oats
- Pot Noodles or Cup of Soup
- Rice
- Pasta
- Biscuits
- Crisps

These items can be brought along on the day. Do join us in the Meeting Room after Mass for some International Food provided by our parishioners.

Harvest Festival

3rd October at Holy Family

As usual, at this time of the year, we are reminded not to take for granted but to give thanks for the bounties we receive. Please join in with the prayer at the Offertory.



Altar Servers at Our Lady & St. John

There will be a training session and meeting for altar servers on Sunday 20th October, after the 11:15 Mass. Any children (Year 4 and above who have made their First Holy Communion) who might like to join the altar servers team, are also very welcome to come along and see what it is like.

pray
FOR
peace



Aysenur Ezgi Eygi

This is the name of a 26 year old young woman, a victim of the senseless violence in the Middle East. She was an American-Turkish citizen shot in the head while protesting, non-violently, against the occupation of the West Bank. Her whole life ahead of her gone and her name, difficult for us even to pronounce, already forgotten. For a brief moment, let us remember her and increase our own prayers for peace and an end to this conflict.

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 29th September - 11:15 am Mass at OLSJ
International Harvest Festival

Sunday 10th November - 11:15 am Mass at OLSJ
Remembrance Sunday with 3rd Heswall Scouts &

Sunday 17th November - 11:15 am Mass at OLSJ
Celebration for Fr. Stephen 10th Anniversary serving in our Parish

Sunday 15th December - 5 - 6pm at OLSJ
Advent Service



Prayer to the Servant of God Carlo Acutis

Dear Father,
Who has given us the ardent testimony
of the young Servant of God, Carlo Acutis,
who made the Eucharist the core of his life
and the strength of his daily commitments
so that everybody may love You above all else,
let him soon be counted among
the Blessed and the Saints in Your Church.

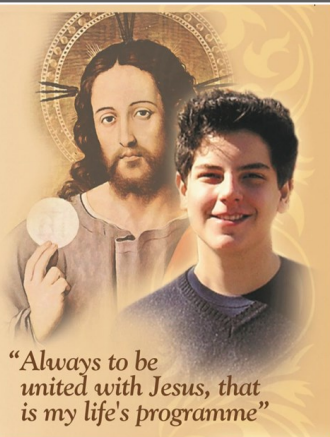
Confirm my Faith,
nurture my Hope,
strengthen my Charity,
in the image of young Carlo,
who, growing in these virtues,
now lives with You.

Grant me the grace I really need...

I trust in You, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus,
and in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother,
and in the intervention of Your Servant, Carlo Acutis.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

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The Life of Carlo Acutis

Carlo Acutis was born in London on 3rd May 1991 to Italian parents and moved to Milan when he was a few months old. As a child, Carlo was devoted to the Mother of God and prayed the Rosary daily.

He was an Italian website designer who documented Eucharistic miracles and approved Marian apparitions and catalogued both on a website he designed before his death from leukaemia on 12th October 2006. Acutis was noted for his cheerfulness, computer skills and devotion to the Eucharist which became a core theme of his life. He was beatified by Pope Francis on 10th October 2020 and in 2024 his canonization was approved. The date for his canonization has yet to be announced.

Because of his interest in computers and his miracles website, Acutis was popularly called "the patron saint of the Internet" once his cause for sainthood was underway. He has also been dubbed "the first millennial saint," because he is the first person of the millennial generation to have become a candidate for sainthood.

Carlo's journey to become a saint.... His first miracle was attributed to him in early 2020, in response to a Brazilian boy born with a malformed pancreas having been healed after praying to Acutis for his intercession and receiving one of his relics.

The second miracle involved the healing of a young woman, 21, from Costa Rica, studying in Florence, Italy, who fell from her bicycle in July 2022. She had incurred a severe head injury.

There is a lot of information about Carlo on the official website <https://carloacutis-en.org/> including the official prayer and novena.

***'To be always close to Jesus, that's my plan'
"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we become
like JESUS so that on this earth we will have
the foretaste of Heaven."***

Carlo

Blessed Carlo Acutis - Feast Day 12th October 'The first millennium saint'

The Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be visiting St Anthony's, Wythenshawe, **between 20th and 23rd September 2023**. This remarkable teenager was a gamer and computer programmer who loved football, with a gift for empathy, a great devotion to Our Lady and a deep love of the Holy Eucharist which he described as his 'highway to heaven'. The visit to the Diocese is a very special opportunity to spend time in prayer venerating the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Confessions will be available, and Mass will be celebrated on each of the days. There will also be inspirational talks on Saturday and Sunday from Monsignor Anthony Figueirdo, STD, who has followed the life of the soon to be Saint Carlo Acutis.

Registration for veneration is now open and can be found at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/relic-of-blessed-carlo-acutis-tickets-1010291297467?aff=ebdssbdestsearch> or through this QR code:



For more information on Blessed Carlo Acutis, please follow this link: <http://www.carloacutis.com/en/association/download>

The Diocese of Shrewsbury

Welcomes the relics of

Blessed Carlo Acutis



**To St. Anthony's Church, Wythenshawe
Friday 20th – Monday 23rd September 2024**

Friday 20th September

10:00 – 14:00 – Special Day for the Catholic Schools of Wythenshawe
12:00 – Celebration of Mass Presided by Bishop Mark Davies
13:15 – Arrival of the Relic
14:00 – 18.45 Veneration of the Relic*
19:00 – Celebration of Mass

Saturday 21st September

08:30 – Celebration of Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite
09:30 – 11:45 Veneration of the Relic
12:00 – Celebration of Mass Presided by Bishop Mark Davies
13:00 – 16:45 Veneration of the Relic with a talk by Mgr. Anthony Figueiredo
17:00 – Celebration of Mass (First Mass of Sunday)
18:00 – 19:00 Veneration of Relic closing with Night Prayer
19:30 – 01:00 Youth Vigil held at Sacred Heart Church

Sunday 22nd September

08:00 – 10:45 Veneration of the Relic
10:30 – Holy Rosary
11:00 – Celebration of Mass
12:00 – 19:00 Veneration of the Relic with a talk by Mgr. Anthony Figueiredo
19:00 – Night Prayer

Monday 23rd September

08:00 – 09:30 Veneration of Relic
09:30 – 11:45 Special Day for Diocesan Schools
12:00 – Celebration of Mass Presided by Bishop Mark Davies
13:00 – Relic departs

*During times of veneration,
priests will be available for confession



Book you place
using QR code
above!



The Synod
Second Session
October 2nd-27th 2024

The delegates will gather again shortly to consider, in carrying out its mission in this modern world, how the Church can improve its structures; its inclusiveness; and its ways of consulting and listening. The different roles and greater involvement of the laity, both men and women, are amongst matters to be considered. This is the future of our Church.

The delegates will then pass their conclusions for Pope Francis to consider.

Pope Francis encourages us to pray that The Holy Spirit will give inspiration and guidance to all the delegates.

Jump for Joy - Holy Trinity Church, Spital CH63 9LS

We are a faith based group for people with learning disabilities, their parents and carers. We meet on the second Sunday afternoon each month at Holy Trinity in Spital.

We hang out, enjoy fellowship and fun, learning together with craft, drama, singing, Bible stories and games followed by Afternoon Tea to end the session.

If you'd like to join us you can call Jude on 07432580636 or Doreen on 334 9364. We'd love to meet you.



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Caritas
(Children's Society)

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

Printer Cartridge Recycling
THANK YOU

We have already sent off one box of cartridges but please do continue to place your used printer cartridges into the box which is situated in the porch of Our Lady & St. John so that we can keep supporting CAFOD. This especially important now as there are so many people living in poverty in our world. Through our global Church network, one of the largest in the world, CAFOD has the potential to reach everyone. CAFOD continues to campaign for global justice so that every woman, man and child can live a full and dignified life.



RNIB Used Stamps

R N I B

Please donate any stamps to the Royal National Institute for the Blind. There is a collection box at the back of Our Lady and St John. Once the box is full it will be sent to the RNIB, where they are able to use them to raise vital funds for the charity.

See differently



The RNIB raise **£20 for every kilogramme of stamps that they receive** and accept all stamps: new or used, first or second class, foreign, first day covers, presentation packs or albums.

Refreshments after Sunday Mass

Refreshments will be served after Sunday Mass at both Holy Family and Our Lady and St John. Do come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.



Please ensure stamps are trimmed with approximately one centimetre of paper around the edge, with no large gold Post Office labels or pre-printed postage marks - these have no value to RNIB.


[Our Work](#)[Donate](#)[Get involved](#)


We know it might seem a bit early to be talking about Christmas in September, but we have something truly exciting coming up that you'll want to mark in your calendar...


We are thrilled to invite you to a special celebration this year—the **40th anniversary of the Christmas Fun Run in Liverpool!** 🎉


Over the past four decades, this festive event has brought together thousands of people like you, all united by joy, community, and compassion. This year's Fun Run promises to be the **best yet** as we celebrate this milestone together.

Event Details:

 **Date:** Friday 27 December 2024 from 11am (registration opens at 10am).

 **Location:** Wavertree Athletics Centre, Wavertree Sports Park, Wellington Rd, Grant Ave, L15 4LE.

 **Distance:** 3k or 5k - walk, jog, wheel or run!

 **Tickets:** £10 per adult, £5 per child, £20 per family (Tickets on sale soon. Register your interest today, so you can be notified straight away).

Why Your Participation Matters:

Every step you take helps support CAFOD's vital work with communities around the world. This year, we will be raising funds to support families in Ukraine facing a tough winter.

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

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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

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To join send an email to Victoria Hanlon contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk



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If they have, please let the Parish Secretary know.
contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk