



NEWS FROM THE PARISHES OF ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY AND ST CATHERINE'S, HOYLAKE

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 12th October 2025 - Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 17: 11-19)

Day of Special Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents

WEEK COMMENCING 12 th October			Church	Intentions
Saturday 11th October	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 12th October	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 12th October	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Francis Nelson (RIP)
Monday 13 th October	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Robert Little (anniversary)
Tuesday 14 th October	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Wednesday 15 th October	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 16 th October	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Colette Darby (RIP)
Friday 17 th October	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Saturday 18th October	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 19th October	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	John Oddy (RIP)
Sunday 19th October	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Chris Kenyon (RIP)

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Shelagh Cosgrove, Colette Darby, Patricia Gavin, Valarie Gordan, Stephanie Gregory, John Oddy and Veronica Pownell.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Angela Gough, Pauline Hall, Dominic Macqueen, Marianne Ryan and Ben Wills-Eve.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this month and their families.

ADORATION at St Catherine's is on Wednesdays at 7pm. **SCRIPTURE GROUP** at St Agnes is every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms at St Agnes. **ROSARY and ADORATION** at St Agnes is every Monday 7pm-8pm.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC OR WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE? Please speak to Fr David, Deacon John or Sr Monica.

NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS: our new website for both parishes is now live. Please visit www.stagnesandstcatherines.org

GUITAR AND SOPRANO RECITAL: Join us for a musical evening at St Catherine's on Tuesday 14th October 7.30pm – 8.30pm with an interval. Davide Sciacca, Italian classical guitarist and Sachika Ito, Japanese soprano will be performing 'D'Ito at the Opera', music from Debussy, Schubert, Bizet, Rossini and Bellini. £5 on the door. And a chance to meet Davide and Sachika afterwards with a glass of wine in the side chapel.

A BIG THANK YOU to Margaret Hay for her many years of running the Parents and Tots playgroup at St Catherine's. Margaret's dedication, warm welcome and commitment each week gave children and families a place to play and socialise on a Friday afternoon. The playgroup has now stopped running, however, there are other church playgroups available to drop into during the week in Hoylake and Meols.

NEXT SUNDAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Next Sunday 19th October, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio – his charity for world mission – through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God’s love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. To donate, please use the Missio envelopes at the back of church or visit mission.org.uk to give a gift and gift aid your donation if possible.

PAUSE FOR HOPE: An ecumenical service for anyone in anyway affected by cancer. Sunday 19th October at 3:30pm in St Michael and All Angels Church, Woodchurch. www.pauseforhope.org.uk.

ROSARY RETREAT DAY AND JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE: Bishop Mark Davies will lead this Jubilee Pilgrimage at the Eucharistic Shrine of Saint Joseph's, Stockport on Saturday 25th October. Please see the poster at the back of church.

ST AGNES' CLEANERS ROTA: A new cleaning rota is available to collect in the sacristy. More volunteers are needed for the rota, so if you would be happy to help for one hour every four weeks, please contact Jo Forsey on 07936 435073.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND WEST WIRRAL: Thank you for the support given to the apple pie sale at St Catherine's last Sunday. A total of £373.23 was raised from the sale, a fantastic amount which will help all those suffering in Palestine during these terrible times. Christmas cards will be on sale soon at the back of each church or from Peter Ryan on 0151 625 5158.

JOHN HENRY NEWMAN said, “There’s nothing of a saint about me”. Yet, the Church has canonised him, and Pope Leo IV will shortly proclaim him Doctor of the Church. To mark this truly momentous event, Barbara Davies will offer a simple introduction to the life and teaching of Newman on Saturday 1st November between 3 – 5 pm in St Catherine's side-chapel. And on Sunday 2nd November, as we celebrate All Souls, she will present his great work, *The Dream of Gerontius*, between 3 – 5 pm in St Catherine's Parish Hall. You're very welcome to join us on either or both of these occasions.

JOB VACANCIES: Parish Secretary at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ellesmere Port. Flexible 3 days per week between 9am and 1pm, £14 per hour. **Clergy Welfare Support Worker:** The role would be to support the Diocesan Welfare Nurse in her duties. 22.5 per week over 3 days, with a degree of flexibility. Competitive salary. For more details, please see the Diocesan Website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> CVs should be sent to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing date: Friday 24 October 2025. The Diocese of Wrexham is currently looking to appoint a **Personal Assistant** to the Right Rev Bishop Brignall, the position will be based in Wrexham. For a job description please see: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Job-description-Recruitment-2025.pdf> Closing date: November 10th, 2025. Interview dates: 18th and 19th November, 2025.

TRUSTEE VACANCIES: Wirral Foodbank is on the lookout for individuals to join their Board of Trustees, who have experience across several areas, including: Communications/Social media, Governance, Fund raising, Safeguarding, Church engagement and Campaigning. Closing date for applications is Friday 31st October 2025. Please email manager@wirralfoodbank.org.uk and include in the subject header “Trustee Wirral Foodbank.” For further information please email manager@wirralfoodbank.org.uk or contact Richard Roberts, General Manager, Wirral Foodbank: 07518034579.



FOODBANK ITEMS: tinned vegetables, tinned rice pudding, tinned potatoes, packet soup, jam and packet rice. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you.



Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week? Please email St Catherine's (stcathhoylake@gmail.com) or St Agnes (stagneswestkirby@gmail.com).

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