



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 21st December 2025 – The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Matthew 1:18-24)

Sunday 28th December 2025 – The Holy Family (Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23)

Sunday 4th January 2026 – Second Sunday after Christmas (John 1: 1-18)

WEEK COMMENCING 21 st December			Church	Intentions
Saturday 20th December	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Moya & Richard Gladding
Sunday 21st December	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 21st December	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Joseph & Margaret McKinney
Monday 22 nd December	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Winifred Topping
Tuesday 23 rd December	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Private Intention (MB)
Wednesday 24th December	5.00pm	Christmas Vigil Mass	St Catherine's	Blackburn Family
Wednesday 24th December	8.00pm	Christmas Night Mass*	St Agnes	Les Davies
Thursday 25th December	9.00am	Christmas Dawn Mass	St Catherine's	Jack Turner
Thursday 25th December	10.30am	Christmas Day Mass	St Agnes	Mary Constantine
Friday 26 th December	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Saturday 27th December	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Edgar Sammut (RIP)
Sunday 28th December	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 28th December	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Louise McKinney
Monday 29 th December	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	N & L Forsey
Tuesday 30 th December	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Joyce Sample (anniversary)
Wednesday 31 st December	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	J F
Thursday 1 st January	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Des Harvey (anniversary)
Friday 2 nd January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Padraic Conroy
Saturday 3rd January	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Ray O'Neill & Ed O'Neill
Sunday 4th January	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 4th January	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Arminio Mata
Monday 5 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Barbara Majumdar
Tuesday 6 th January	9.15am	Mass: Epiphany of the Lord	St Catherine's	Special Intention
Tuesday 6 th January	7.00pm	Mass: Epiphany of the Lord	St Agnes	Special Intention
Wednesday 7 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Christine Foster
Thursday 8 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Special Intention
Friday 9 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Saturday 10th January	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Patrick Gallagher
Sunday 11th January	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 11th January	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Colette Darby

*St Agnes' Christmas Vigil Mass will have carols and reflections before 8pm. Please be seated by 7.30pm.



FR DAVID, FR JOHN, SR MONICA and DEACONS JOHN, TONY, PETER, BASIL
wish you peace and joy over this Christmas Season.

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PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Barbara Majumdar, Thomas Marsden and Kathleen Ramsey.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Mary Burns, Angela Gough, Pauline Hall, Ursula Lambert, Mary 'Pat' Madden, Marie Mann, Veronica McLarney, Eve Snape, John Stanley and Ben Wills-Eve.

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

ADORATION at St Catherine's will recommence on Wednesday 7th January 2026 at 7pm. **SCRIPTURE GROUP** at St Agnes will resume in the New Year.

ADORATION with the Rosary at St Agnes will take a pause until Monday 5th January 2026 at 7pm.

ST AGNES' CRIB FIGURES have now been restored (thank you to a parishioner who arranged for this to happen) and they will be in church from Monday 22nd December. Thank you again to everyone who so generously donated towards the restoration fund and made this possible. Please do have a look at them in their full glory!

ST AGNES' PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD is available to sign at the back of church. Any donations will be given to CAFOD'S Sudan Crisis Appeal. The war in Sudan has forced millions of people to flee their homes, creating one of the world's largest humanitarian crises.

CARITAS AT CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2025: "Your kindness brought hope when I had none." There is the opportunity to donate to the appeal during Advent and Christmas via the donation stations at the back of each church. Thank you for your generosity. Every penny you give goes directly to help those most in need within our Diocese, providing crisis food vouchers, practical support, and the reassurance of care and compassion when it matters most. You can also donate online at: www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk If you know someone in need of assistance, please contact Trish Spencer, Deputy CEO of Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury, Tel: 0151 652 1281, Email: info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk.

CAROLS AROUND THE CRIB at St Catherine's last Sunday raised £191.07 for Caritas which also includes a donation from parents and children at Our Lady of Pity RC Primary School.

CAFOD wish to express their heartfelt thanks to you all for your generous donations, prayers and actions in support of CAFOD's work this Jubilee year. Your faithful commitment - especially during Family Fast Days - has enabled CAFOD, your aid agency within the Caritas family, to fund projects that enable practical help amongst our global family across more than 40 countries and to stand alongside and support communities who face the horror of conflict and war.

AGE UK WIRRAL DIGITAL SKILLS COURSES: the next available course registration date will be Tuesday 6th January 2026. They are still able to accept the contact details of anyone that may be interested in attending their course between now and then. Places available at Flourish Wellbeing Hub, located within Victoria Central Hospital, Wallasey and at Age UK Wirral's Birkenhead location. For further details please contact AGE UK IT Co-ordinator Karen Kelly on 07517 132233 or karenkelly@ageukwirral.org.uk.



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?
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