



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 8th February 2026 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Matthew 5: 13-16)

Day of Special Prayer for Victims of Trafficking

WEEK COMMENCING 8 th February			Church	Intentions
Saturday 7 th February	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 8 th February	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Fr PD Turbitt
Sunday 8 th February	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Elizabeth Tobin (RIP)
Monday 9 th February	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Rosary Group Intentions
Tuesday 10 th February	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Tony Kiely (RIP)
Wednesday 11 th February	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Nancy O'Mara (RIP)
Thursday 12 th February	10.00am	Requiem Mass: Elizabeth Tobin	St Catherine's	~
Friday 13 th February	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	In memory of Isabel Morrissey
Saturday 14 th February	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Andrew Forsey (anniversary)
Sunday 15 th February	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Parishioners
Sunday 15 th February	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Ronald Knoop (anniversary)

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Elizabeth Cavendish-Bell, Michael Cook, Linda Garvey, Mary Gavin, Betty Hogan, James Mackrill, Fr Paul O'Grady and Elizabeth Tobin.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Colin Aspey, Michael Baker, Mary Burns, Elizabeth Campbell, Margaret Cook, Ursula Lambert, Mary 'Pat' Madden, Marie Mann, Veronica McLarney, John Stanley and Anton Wills-Eve.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this month and their families including Jane Christley and Andrew Forsey.

PLEASE PAUSE FOR PRAYER for Elizabeth Tobin whose Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 12th February at 10am at St Catherine's. Please remember her family and friends.

ADORATION at St Catherine's is every Wednesday at 7pm. **ADORATION** with the Rosary at St Agnes is every Monday at 7pm.

SCRIPTURE GROUP at St Agnes is every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms.

ST AGNES SVP: a collection will take place this weekend for the St Agnes SVP Conference. Please place any contributions in an envelope marked 'SVP' in the offertory basket or through the presbytery door at St Agnes. Thank you for your support.

A CEILIDH for both parishes is taking place this Saturday 7th February at St Agnes Parish Hall. Bring your dancing shoes and a bottle of something. Doors open 7.00pm. Tickets are £5 available on the door or prior to the evening from Chris Goldring or Geraldine Swift at St Agnes or Tony Murphy at St Catherine's.

ASH WEDNESDAY is Wednesday 18th February. There will be Masses at 9.15am at St Agnes and at 7pm at St Catherine's.

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PRAYING WITH THE POPE: Pope Leo XIV's prayer intention for the month of February is 'that those who care for others might receive care. Let us pray that those who care for the holistic health of others might receive the support they need, and that with patience, wisdom, and fortitude, they might open avenues of inner healing and hope.'

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY MEETING: Join Kathryn Keenan, CAFOD representative for the Diocese on Wednesday 11th February 4-6pm in St Alban's Parish Hall, Mill Lane, Liscard, Wallasey CH44 5XB in advance of Lent Family Fast Day. Find out more about their work, funded by donations from previous fast days, and hear how communities are adapting to climate change. All CAFOD volunteers, supporters and anyone who is interested in learning more are welcome. Email kkeen@cafod.org.uk for more information and to register (not essential but helpful).

SAVE THE DATE: World Day of Prayer Service will take place on Friday 6th March at 2pm at St Catherine's. Refreshments will be served following the service.

A SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION for both parishes will take place on Monday 16th March at 7pm at St Catherine's.

MARRIAGE WEEK 7th – 14th FEBRUARY 2026: Marriage Week is an annual celebration offering the opportunity to support and promote marriage and family life. Jane Deegan the Director for Marriage and Family Life Vocation is seeking to build a team of volunteers to support this vital ministry in the Diocese. Two Retreat days have been run to date with another being arranged for April 2026. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity and/or would like to find out more please contact: Monika Golembiewska: monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org
Jane Deegan: jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org
Resources for couples and parishes can be found on the Bishops' Conference website <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week> A link to these resources has also been created on the Shrewsbury Diocese website.

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES are taking place in February and March (two consecutive Saturdays). Please see the poster at the back of church for more details.

STEPS OF HOPE – A CATENIAN WALKING FOR CARITAS: Last year we met Pete Graham (President of the Wallasey Catenian Circle) who was taking on an unusual challenge of walking from his home to all 23 Catholic churches within the Wirral Deanery areas to attend a Sunday Mass to raise money for the charity Caritas - Diocese of Shrewsbury. All of the churches are within 8.5 miles, but the cumulative distance was about 84 miles walked over 20 weekends. The project has raised over £6,500 so far. While Caritas supports people facing different hardships and difficulties, Pete has specifically raised money for the specialist counselling for children experiencing serious difficulties in school due to trauma, bereavement and illness. His wife Paula was headteacher at a local primary school and had seen firsthand the life-changing impact of Caritas's counselling work.



FOODBANK ITEMS: tinned fruit, tinned potatoes, tinned custard and shampoo. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you. (Over 40% of the food distributed by Wirral Foodbank is donated by the public – that is why your food donations are absolutely vital to their ability to give everyone referred to the Foodbank a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.)



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

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