

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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 27th September – Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Matthew 21: 28-32)

Special Day of Prayer for the Harvest

WEEK COMMENCING 27th September			Church	Intentions
Saturday 26th September	**5.30pm**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Parishioners**
Sunday 27th September	**9.00am**	**Mass**	**St Catherine's**	**Charlie Read Jones**
Sunday 27th September	**10.30am**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**In loving memory of Lilly**
Monday 28th September	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Marianne Ryan (RIP)
Tuesday 29th September	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Anne McManus (RIP)
Wednesday 30th September	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Jimmy Maguire
Thursday 1st October	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Private Intention (RB)
Friday 2nd October	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Kevin Simpson
Saturday 3rd October	**5.30pm**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Fr John McManus intentions**
Sunday 4th October	**9.00am**	**Mass**	**St Catherine's**	**Maria Shahbaz**
Sunday 4th October	**10.30am**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Parishioners**

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Joshua Armitage, John (Jack) Butler, John Callaghan, Anthony Clinch, Trevor Jones, Kevin Kearns, Mary McQuade and Nigel Wills.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Colin Aspey, Tina Aspey, Michael Baker, Elizabeth Campbell, Rosemary Gill, Pauline Hall, Ursula Lambert, Josephine Lyons, Marie Mann, Veronica McLarney and John Percy.

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

ADORATION at St Catherine's is every Wednesday at 7pm. **ADORATION** with the Rosary at St Agnes is every Monday at 7pm – 8pm (except on bank holidays). **SCRIPTURE GROUP** at St Agnes is every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms.



ST AGNES AND ST CATHERINE'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMMES for children who are in our parishes and are in Year 3 and above begin this Autumn. This Sunday 27th September is the Enrolment Mass for children at St Agnes and we look forward to welcoming the children and their families. After Mass please come through to the hall for coffee – all very welcome! The closing date for registrations at St Catherine's is this Sunday 27th September.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL THIS HARVEST: Family Fast Day is on Friday 2nd October. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Please use the CAFOD envelopes in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030.

PAUSE FOR HOPE: An ecumenical service for anyone in anyway affected by cancer will take place on Sunday 18th October at 3:30pm at Saint Michael & All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch. www.pauseforhope.org.uk

ADOREMUS 2026: The National Eucharistic Congress Adoremus will be held in London on Saturday 10th October 2026. If you wish to be part of the Shrewsbury Diocese Pilgrimage Group to Adoremus, please register an interest with Mrs Natalie Orefice via email: natalie.orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Please see the poster at the back of each church.

MONTHLY BEREAVEMENT GROUP AT OUR LADY AND ST JOHN'S, HESWALL: The next Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 21st October at 10am in the Meeting Room at Our Lady and St John. It is open to everyone and if you don't want to come alone, bring a friend. No need to book a place, just go along.

RETREAT 19TH OCTOBER TO 22ND OCTOBER 2026: For some years now a party of parishioners from our parishes have been going on retreat together to The Briery Retreat Centre in Ilkley, West Yorkshire. The Briery is under the patronage of the Sisters of the Cross and Passion, an international congregation founded in Manchester in 1851 by Elizabeth Prout. The theme of this year's retreat is 'Finding the Voice of Christ'. The whole experience is very spiritual but very gentle! The cost of the accommodation and transport this year is £324.00 per person. If anyone is interested in joining our party this year, please get in touch with me, Deacon Tony Crisp on 0151 6324058 or on anthonycrisp91@gmail.com.

ST AGNES' PARISH HALL: did you know there is a Pilates class every Thursday morning 10am-11am in the hall? All abilities very welcome. Please contact Laura at Move Well Pilates to book a place (pay as you go) on 07921 869849.

OUR LADY OF PITY RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY SCHOOL is holding an Open Day on Wednesday 11th November at 9.30am and 5pm and on Thursday 19th November at 9.30am. Visits to the Annexe site are also available. To book your space, please contact the school office on 0151 677 6262.

SHREWSBURY 'My Desolate Diocese' is a new book written by Diocesan Archivist, Fr Peter Philips. The book explores the development of the Catholic community in the counties of Shropshire and Cheshire which were linked, when the new diocese was created in 1850, to the six counties of North Wales, tracing Catholic life here from the late Tudor period, as it survived the confusion of the Reformation and continued through the trials of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, before emerging on strength once more in the nineteenth century. This book is published by Gracewing and is available from bookshops or directly from Gracewing (www.gracewing.co.uk). Copies can also be obtained from Mrs Pauline McCulloch pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org at the Curial Offices. Price: £25 including postage and packing.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN VACANCY AT HMP &YOI STYAL: Do you feel called to a ministry that brings hope, healing and transformation? A compassionate and committed Roman Catholic Chaplain (Priest or Lay) is sought to join a multi-faith chaplaincy team in a women's prison. This is a one day a week post (8hrs). Please contact Managing Chaplain Jo Hirst for further information 01625 553015 / Joanna.hirst1@justice.gov.uk.

FLOWER ARRANGING WORKSHOP: With Harvest Festivals almost over and Christmas fast approaching, Neston Flower Society is pleased to invite all Church Flower Arrangers and any congregants who may be interested in flower arranging to a creative Flower Arranging Workshop on Tuesday 13th October and Tuesday 20th October 2026 between 1pm and 3pm at the United Reformed Church Hall in Neston. Further details on the poster at the back of each church.

WIRRAL FOODBANK: cereal, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit and tinned meat. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you for your support.



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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