

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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 4th October – Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Matthew 21: 33-43)

WEEK COMMENCING 4th October			Church	Intentions
Saturday 3rd October	**5.30pm**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Fr John's intentions**
Sunday 4th October	**9.00am**	**Mass**	**St Catherine's**	**Maria Shahbaz**
Sunday 4th October	**10.30am**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Parishioners**
Monday 5th October	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Tuesday 6th October	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Ann Widdecombe (RIP)
Wednesday 7th October	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Marianne Ryan (RIP)
Thursday 8th October	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Friday 9th October	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Canon PD Turbitt (RIP)
Saturday 10th October	**5.30pm**	**Mass**	**St Agnes**	**Tommy O'Neill (RIP)**
Sunday 11th October	**9.00am**	**Mass**	**St Catherine's**	**Vivienne Castell (RIP)**
Sunday 11th 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, Anthony Clinch, Kevin Kearns, Ursula Lambert, John McDonale, 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, Josephine Lyons, Marie Mann, Veronica McLarney, John Percy and Cath Robinson.

PLEASE PAUSE FOR PRAYER for John (Jack) Butler when his Funeral Service will take place on Monday 12th October at 10.30am at St Catherine's and for Ursula Lambert whose Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 13th October at 12noon at St Catherine's. Please remember their family and friends.

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 CATHERINE'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME begins this Sunday 4th October with the Enrolment Mass for children. We look forward to welcoming the children and their families as they take this next step in their faith journey.

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.

PRISONERS' SUNDAY is next Sunday 11th October. We will remember prisoners and their families at Mass. Prisons are in crisis, and life for prisoners and their families in our communities is challenging. Pact, the national Catholic prison charity, supports prisoners, their families and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around. Further information can be found on their website www.prisonadvice.org.uk/. Please pick up an envelope at the back of church to support Pact if you can and place in the offertory collection.

ST AGNES AND ST CATHERINE'S CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME for young people in Year 9 and above will take place in this new school year. Please register your interest with Phoebe in the Parish Office via email (stcathhoylake@gmail.com or stagneswestkirby@gmail.com) with the name of the young person, age and date and place of baptism.

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.

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. Fr Peter is a good friend of both parishes. 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.

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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