

ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH
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THE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND and our Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, led by Bishop Mark will take place from 21-28 October this year. For further details see the Diocesan Website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Ponder Over*Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Isaiah foretold that the Holy Spirit would rest upon the promised Messiah, Emmanuel, and that he would possess wisdom and understanding, counsel and fortitude, knowledge, fear of the Lord (Is 11:2), and piety. As Jesus was blessed with these gifts by his Father, every believer is blessed with the same gifts by the Holy Spirit. Wisdom is first gift of the Holy Spirit. It is the ability to exercise good judgment. It is grounded in common sense and comes from life experience, thoughtful reflection, and learning life's lessons in "The School of Hard Knocks." Understanding is the gift of intelligence and enlightenment. It is the ability to perceive, comprehend, and interpret information; to have insight and discern meaning. Counsel is good advice. It is the ability to teach and inform, guide and direct, warn and admonish, recommend and encourage. Fortitude is an unwavering commitment to God or a proper course of action, and it shows itself is moral strength, courage, determination, patient endurance, long suffering, a resolute spirit, stamina, and resiliency. Knowledge is the ability to study and learn; to acquire, retain, and master a wide spectrum of information; and to put it to good use for constructive purposes. Fear of the Lord is awe, reverence, and respect for God. It downplays human self-sufficiency and acknowledges that everything comes from God. Piety is personal holiness, the ability to live a decent life, free of sin, devoted to God, and obedient to God's will. As the current Catechism of the Catholic Church (Para. 1831) notes, the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit "complete and perfect the virtues of those who receive them." Infused with His gifts, we respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit as if by instinct, the way Christ Himself would*



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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 9th JUNE 2019

(Readings- Sundays: Cycle C, Weekdays: Cycle 1, Psalter Week 2)

This Sunday – PENTECOST SUNDAY (Day of Special Prayer for the Church)

Mass 8.30am (Freda Wynne)

Mass 10.30am

Monday - Mass 9.30am (Jenny Baker): Mary, Mother of the Church

Tuesday - Mass 9.30am (Thanksgiving): St Barnabas

Wednesday- Funeral Mass for James Edward Mulligan 1.30pm

Thursday – Mass 9.30am: Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest - Feast

Friday – Mass 9.30am

Saturday - Mass 12.00noon

Next Sunday-THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (Special Day of Prayer for the Day of Life)

Mass 8.30am (Parishioners)

Mass 10.30am

MORNING PRAYER: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9.15am

NO EVENING PRAYER THIS SUNDAY

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Tuesday 10.00-11.00am, Thursday 6.00-8.00pm

CONFESSIONS THIS SATURDAY 11.00 – 11.45am and on request

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ST CATHERINE'S NEWS

PLEASE PRAY FOR all who have died recently, especially James Mulligan, Elizabeth Murphy, Stan Orton, Margaret Manson, John Morris, Moira Bradshaw, Brian Dunning. Also please pray for those who are ill or housebound including, Jo Power, Ann Brown, Betty Roberts, Norah Stuart, Kathleen Bennett, Joseph Conway, Amy Duke, Sue Green, Geoffrey Roberts, Geoff Milton, Timothy Wild, Francis Hayes, Ann Marie Heald, Katie Hogan, Eilis Longley-Brown, Joan Nulty, Neil Monaghan, Justin Williams, and Jo Clark.

(Please advise Fr. Thomas of any changes to this list in order that it may be kept up to date).

FR THOMAS HOME VISITS, ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, DEATH, etc. – please contact at the presbytery on 632 4388.

RECENT DEATHS. If anyone has a friend or relative who has died in the last year please give names to Fr Tom.

SICK: A reminder to let you know it is really important that if anyone you know is ill, and particularly those who might be going into one of our hospitals, to please inform Father Thomas as soon as possible.

DAY FOR LIFE SECOND COLLECTION – After both Masses next Sunday.

COFFEE will be served today by Parents & Tots, next Sunday by Cleaners.

THE ANNEXE PRE SCHOOL have a vacancy for a lunchtime assistant. Please direct any enquiries to Jenny Jackson, Pre School Manager on 07789826373 or email on olopannexepreschool@gmail.com

CARITAS (Formerly Children's Society). The Spring collection is now due. Please place your donation in the collection marked with your name and for 'Angela' or 'Children's Society'. Any new people wishing to donate in this way to special projects in Wirral would be welcomed. Enquiries to Angela on 632 2519 or 07787424740.

A FAMILY PICNIC hosted by the Bible Society, will take place in St Hildebergh's Vicarage garden, 1, Stanley Road, next Saturday, 15th June from 1-3pm. Bring your own food but drinks and ice cream will be provided and there will be entertainment and stalls, raffle etc. All welcome. Admission by donation.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE in Thanksgiving at the Shrine of Saint Winefride, Holywell on Sunday 23rd June 2019. See poster for details

'PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 23rd September 2019 – See poster at back of church'

BUCKET AND SPADE PROJECT. It is hoped that many people will take part in the Party and Holiday Challenges and the Photo competition. If you are thinking of taking part please pick up the information packs available at the back of church or email the Project Team at bucketandspade19@gmail.com and packs will be delivered to you. Unfortunately, the online giving address was incorrectly stated in a previous newsletter but the correct address is justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bucketspade

PARISH DAY OF RETREAT will take place at Noddfa on Saturday 29th June, leaving church at 8.15am and returning at 6.00pm. A donation of £25 is requested. Please contact John Butler on 6325305 or Phil Collins on 6324825

PARISH SUNDAY LUNCH – the next one will take place on Sunday 23 June at 12.45pm. Please contact Phil Collins on 6324825 or Angela Gough on 6322519 by 18th June. Please let us know if you require a vegetarian option.

COASTAL WALK - CAFOD are wishing to recruit walkers to do this year's Coastal Walk on 23rd June and be sponsored for their Syria and Yemen appeals. Please phone Margy Agnew on 632 4975 for further information.

SUNDAY OFFERING 2nd June: £502.95 World Communication Day £142.91

DIOCESAN NEWS

MISSIO SUMMER MASS celebrated by Bishop Mark Davies and Fr Tony Chantry MHM with talks by Mill Hill Missionaries and Missio's APF. Sat 29 June at 12 Noon. Open to all and especially Red Box volunteers and supporters. Church of St Michael & All Angels, Woodchurch, CH49 5LE. An opportunity to meet fellow volunteers and refresh fundraising activities plus refreshments in the adjacent primary school

PAUSE FOR HOPE SERVICE - On Sunday 16 June at 3pm Bishop Mark will lead the third Pause for Hope service to be held in Saint Columba's church in Chester (Plas Newton Lane CH2 1SA). The service is open to everyone and will include a reflection by Lynne Moorhead from the Hospice of the Good Shepherd. Following the time of prayer there will be refreshments in the parish centre.