

St Agnes Church,

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22nd Sunday of the Year 1st September 2019

SAT: 5.30pm Jim Forsey SUN: 10.30am Parishioners 5.30pm Canon John O'Reilly
MON: Mass at 10am - Priest's Intention
TUE: Mass at 10am - Parishioners *St Gregory the Great*
WED: Service of Word and Communion at 10am
THU: Service of Word and Communion at 10am
FRI: Service of Word and Communion at 10am
SAT: No morning service
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Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be available next Saturday
Holy Hour: Thursday from 10-11am Thank you for last weekend's Offertory

A message from Fr John

Thank you all for your kindness, support and encouragement over these past thirty years. I have been here for almost two thirds of the time since I was ordained, and am now at the stage where I have been baptising the children of those whom I baptised!

I remember well that first parish meeting all those years ago, when families came together in such numbers and they played a huge part in making the parish what it is today, many of you still here, and playing a full part in parish life and ministry.

I am sorry that this weekend will be my last as your parish priest, but I know that this is the right time. You have brought me great happiness, and truly made this my home. I will be living at 16 Grange Cross Lane, and I am sure we shall meet from time to time! Please give my successor, Fr David, a great welcome and I know you will support him as you have always supported me.

Please pray for Mary Brennan who has died.

May she rest in peace, and we ask the Lord to comfort her family and friends.

Details for the funeral of Fr Frank Rice: Vigil Mass at St Johns New Ferry on Thursday at 7pm
Requiem Mass at Our Lady's Birkenhead at 12 noon

CLEANERS: please collect your rotas from the sacristy

New parish email address: from now on please use stagneswestkirby@gmail.com. and not parish@mcagnes.plus.com

Mass times from next weekend

St Catherine and Martina: Sunday Mass 9am – weekdays: Tues & Thurs Mass at 9.15am
St Agnes: (Saturday 5.30pm) Sunday 10.30am – weekdays: Mon, Wed, Fri Mass at 9.15am

Ministries: will those ministers from 5.30pm Sunday who are willing to change to another Mass please inform the person who does the rota: **Readers** Angie Aitken; **Eucharistic ministers** Brian Larsen; **Altar servers** Lisa McGrath; **Welcome Ministers Saturday** Peter Ryan or John Brandon, **Sunday** Chris Thompson, Dave Twomey or Nigel Roberts. If you need contact details email parish address.

The next meeting of the Justice and Peace group will be on Tuesday 3rd September at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms. All welcome.

The Justice and Peace group's Mass intention for September is to give **thanks for the service of Fr John in the parish** and to wish him a happy retirement.

September is SVP Awareness month – thought for this week: Charity is certainly greater than any rule. Moreover, all rules must lead to charity' *St Vincent de Paul*

The Diocese is looking to recruit a **Youth Mission Team Member** Full details and application forms at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies Closing date Friday 13th September

Lourdes Hospitality AGM Sun 8th Sept 2pm at St Thomas More High School Crewe CW2 8AE. Follow signs for carpark. Refreshments provided. questions or apologies to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk