



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 26th May 2024 – The Most Holy Trinity (Matthew 28:16-20)

Sunday 2nd June 2024 – The Body and Blood of Christ (Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26)

WEEK COMMENCING 26 th May			Church	Intentions
Saturday 25 th May	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Dorothy Potter (RIP)
Sunday 26 th May	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	John Carter (RIP)
Sunday 26 th May	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Tom Flannery (anniversary)
Monday 27 th May	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Holy souls in purgatory
Tuesday 28 th May	12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Frances Gore
Wednesday 29 th May	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intentions (TM)
Thursday 30 th May	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	John Gilmour (anniversary)
Friday 31 st May	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Wirral Across Group Lourdes Pilgrimage
Saturday 1 st June	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Simmons Family
Sunday 2 nd June	9.00am	Mass (+online)	St Catherine's	Joshua Dunbar (RIP)
Sunday 2 nd June	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Monday 3 rd June	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention (AF)
Tuesday 4 th June	12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Topping Family intention
Wednesday 5 th June	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Annie Sumner
Thursday 6 th June	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Colm O'Toole
Friday 7 th June	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Vocations to the priesthood & consecrated life
Saturday 8 th June	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Andrew Forsey
Sunday 9 th June	9.00am	Mass (+online)	St Catherine's	Jean Egan (RIP)
Sunday 9 th June	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Peter Byrne, Jean Egan, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Alan Graham and Ian Smith.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Pam and Anton Wills-Eve.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this month and their families including Margaret Collings, Tom Flannery, John Gilmour, Dr Timothy Colm O'Toole and Colm O'Toole.

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION: The Trinity is the central mystery of the Christian faith, yet its power in Christian life gets lost amid a tangle of theological distinctions. The Trinity reveals the God who is the ground and centre of our lives, yet often seems distant from daily Christian life. The final words of Matthew's gospel commission the disciples to make disciples by baptising people in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. "In the name of" suggests participation in the very life of God. Matthew's disciples are instructed not only to baptise but "to teach them (the nations) to observe all the commands I gave you." The Trinity is about a God for us, who lived as a blessing for the poor and mourners, confronted the power of evil, entered with compassion into the world of human suffering, broke down the barriers between human sin and divine holiness and reconciled enemies. The pattern of Jesus' life manifests the triune God who is "with us" until the end of the age.

ONLINE MASS via Zoom is on **Sundays** at **9am**. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524>

ADORATION is on Wednesdays at 7pm at St Catherine's and **SCRIPTURE GROUP** is every Thursday at 7.30pm in St Agnes' parish rooms.

STELLA MARIS, the Catholic maritime charity, is very grateful for the parishes' prayers and financial support of its work on Sea Sunday last year. It invites parishioners to join an online update and thank you webinar on Tuesday 28th May from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. You will hear about the impact of your generosity on the lives of seafarers, fishers, and their families over the last year. To register for this virtual event, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou2024

TEA AND COFFEE AT ST CATHERINE'S on Sunday 2nd June after Mass. Please come through to the lounge.

ST CATHERINE'S FIRST SACRAMENTS PARISH CELEBRATION MASS will take place on Sunday 9th June at 9am. Cake and refreshments will be served in the lounge after Mass – all very welcome!



OUR LADY & ST JOHN, HESWALL is celebrating the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Friday 7th June 2.30pm-3.30pm. First Friday Rosary Exposition followed by Benediction.

THE PRO-LIFE GROUP will be holding an Afternoon Tea in aid of St John's Hospice on Saturday 8th June from 2.30pm in the Lounge at St Catherine's Parish Centre.

WIRRAL COASTAL WALK FOR THE SVP: on Sunday 16th June a member of St Agnes' SVP will be walking the Wirral Coastal Walk from New Brighton as far as West Kirby for the SVP (about 10 miles). If anyone would like to sponsor her, SVP members will be available after Mass in St Agnes' on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th June with sponsorship forms. Thank you in advance for your support.

READERS AT ST AGNES: would you like to read at the 5.30pm Mass? Please contact Angie Aitken (angieaitken@aol.com) or the parish office. Thank you.

THE NEW LECTIONARY, which is the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other liturgical texts. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, to reflect current biblical scholarship and to provide a text for use in liturgical setting that is more proclaimable. The Lectionary will become mandatory for use in all Catholic parishes and Mass centres in England and Wales, and in Scotland from Advent 2024. The four volumes that we use on the ambo at Mass are £695 a set and the Book of the Gospels is £275. If anyone would like to sponsor any of these new liturgical books, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr David or Deacon John. Thank you for your support.

WEST KIRBY PROM BOWLS CLUB: if you are looking for light exercise in good company, why not try a game of bowls. In particular, the West Kirby Prom Bowls Club which meets on Tues, Wed and Thurs 1-4 at Victoria Gardens. If you want to hear more, ring Peter or Marianne Ryan on 625 5158, or talk to them at 5.30 Mass on Saturday.



FOODBANK ITEMS *NEW ITEMS*: tinned custard, pasta sauce, tinned potatoes, tinned meat and tinned fruit. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you.



Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week?
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