



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 22nd September 2024 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mark 9: 30-37)

| WEEK COMMENCING 22 nd September | | | Church | Intentions |
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| Saturday 21 st September | 5.30pm | Mass | St Agnes | Cristine Lavin |
| Sunday 22 nd September | 9.00am | Mass | St Catherine's | Richard Oddy (RIP) |
| Sunday 22 nd September | 10.30am | Mass | St Agnes | Parishioners |
| Monday 23 rd September | 1.30pm | Requiem Mass for Jack Younger | St Agnes | ~ |
| Tuesday 24 th September | 12.00pm | Mass | St Catherine's | Marie Shenton (RIP) |
| Wednesday 25 th September | 9.15am | Service of Word & Communion | St Agnes | ~ |
| Thursday 26 th September | 9.15am | Service of Word & Communion | St Catherine's | ~ |
| Friday 27 th September | 9.15am | Service of Word & Communion | St Agnes | ~ |
| Saturday 28 th September | 5.30pm | Mass | St Agnes | Dolores Ozyer-Key (RIP) |
| Sunday 29 th September | 9.00am | Mass (+online) | St Catherine's | Special Intention (AF) |
| Sunday 29 th September | 10.30am | Mass | St Agnes | Parishioners |

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Fr Alban Greenwood, Helen Lloyd, Marie Mathison, Richard Oddy, Fr George Malecki and Jack Younger.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Pauline Hall.

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

PLEASE PAUSE FOR PRAYER on Monday 23rd September for Jack Younger when his Requiem Mass will take place at St Agnes at 1.30pm. Please remember his family and friends.



WE WELCOME Clara Hearty to our Parish Community following her baptism at St Agnes last Sunday.

ONLINE MASS via Zoom is on **Sundays** at **9am**. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524> *Please note Mass will not be streamed this Sunday 22nd September.

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

ROSARY at St Agnes at 7pm will be on Monday 30th September, 21st October, 11th November and 9th December.

ST AGNES AND ST CATHERINE'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMMES for children who are in our parishes and are in Year 3 and above will begin in October with a Parents' Meeting. Registration forms can be found at the back of each church. Please complete a form and put it in the box in church. Closing date for registration is Sunday 29th September.

ST CATHERINE'S 'LITTLE CATERPILLARS' PARENTS AND TOTS PLAYGROUP is every Friday afternoon 1.30pm-3pm in term time. Children age 0-4 and their parents/carers are very welcome. £1 per family. A hot drink for the adults and a drink and snack for the children. Entrance is through the OLOP Annexe Preschool and School site to the right of church.

St Agnes 0151 625 6367 st-agnes-west-kirby.org.uk | St Catherine's 0151 632 4388 stcatherineshoylake.org

STELLA MARIS (the Apostleship of the Sea) send their thanks to St Agnes and St Catherine's parishioners for their kind support of £225.70 plus Gift Aid in aid of Sea Sunday 2024. The generosity shown will help to ensure that seafarers and fishers in this country and around the world will continue to receive the care and support that they need.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY ON A SUNDAY: At St Agnes and St Catherine's we really want to strengthen the children's liturgy offer to the younger members of our community. We'd love to have some new helpers join our existing (small) team - you don't have to be a parent of young children to join. We would appreciate involvement from parishioners from Year 10 children to parents, grandparents and beyond to join the team. If you are arty, musical, enjoy crafts, or love sharing stories, we would benefit from your support. If you are a young person seeking volunteering experience, this could be an ideal opportunity for you. **What's involved?** Leaders run the children's liturgy session, using arts, crafts, music or stories to bring the gospel messages to life for our young people. Helpers are there to support the leaders on the day, no preparation is required. **Interested?** Please contact Phoebe in either parish office and we'll be in touch with next steps.

HEADTEACHER JOB OPPORTUNITY: due to the promotion of a highly respected Headteacher, there is an opportunity for an inspirational, resilient and dedicated Catholic leader to be the next Headteacher of St Werburgh's Catholic Primary and Nursery School. Visits to school are warmly welcomed. Please telephone Cheryl Gardner at the school office on 0151 647 8404 to arrange this. Closing date: Monday 14 October 2024 at 10am. Completed applications should be sent to Julie English (Julie.English@dioceseofshrewsbury.org). Further details via: <https://educationshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

ST JOHN'S MEOLS HARVEST CONCERT, SATURDAY 28th SEPTEMBER, 7.00 PM: Concert featuring St John's church musicians in a church decorated for Harvest. Admission free but donations welcomed for church funds.

ST HILDEBURGH'S HOYLAKE HARVEST LUNCH CELEBRATION: Sunday 29th September at 1pm. Tickets are £15 and include Hot Pot, apple crumble, hot refreshments, entertainment and raffle. Details on the poster at the back of church.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY is Friday 4th October. Daniel, a young man in Democratic Republic of the Congo, is carving a better future for his family with carpentry skills he learned in a CAFOD-funded training centre. Give to CAFOD today and you'll fund training, tools, equipment and safe spaces so more people like Daniel can learn new skills and fulfil their God-given potential. Use the envelope in church, give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or scan this QR code where you can make a Fast Day donation online and link your online donation to our parish.



FUNDRAISING AFTERNOON TEA in support of the North West Air Ambulance will take place on Saturday 5th October at 2.30pm in the parish centre at St Catherine's. Sing along with the singing Bluebirds Community Choir with refreshments and a raffle. Pay at the door (£5) and children free. All welcome!

OUR LADY OF PITY RC PRIMARY SCHOOL is celebrating its 60th anniversary this month. Happy birthday! Please remember the children, their families and all the staff in your prayers. The school is hosting an Open Morning / Evening on Thursday 14th November for families with children starting school in September 2025. Pop along to find out more at 9.30am or 5.30pm. No booking required.



FOODBANK HARVEST ITEMS: tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, tinned meat, jam, washing up liquid, deodorant and cereal. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church.

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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