

**Ellesmere Port & Hooton Local Pastoral Area (LPA 10),
Parishes of**

St. Saviour & St Mary of the Angels and Our Lady Star of the Sea & St Bernard of Clairvaux

“Working Towards Building Missionary Parishes for the future”

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14th May 2017 – Fifth Sunday of Easter – Year A

Sat: Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Easter

St Saviour's 5.00pm Ann Redwood
Our Lady's 6.30pm Parishioners

Sun: 14th May Fifth Sunday of Easter

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners
St Saviour's 11.00am First Holy Communion Mass
St Bernard's 9.00am Joe Dean (Birthday Rem.)
Our Lady's 11.00am Giuseppina Cimerilli

Mon 15th May

St Saviour's 12.30pm Funeral Mass for
Margaret Stoneley
Our Lady's 9.15am Brendan McLoughlin

Tue: 16th May

EPCHS 8.45am School Intention
St Mary's 9.15am Clark & Litten Families
Our Lady's 12.noon Thanksgiving

Wed 17th May

Our Lady's 8.30am Priest's Intention
St Saviour's 7.00pm John McMullen

Thurs 18th May

St Saviour's 9.30am (In Prim Sch) Jean RIP
Our Lady's 12.noon Funeral Mass for
Mark Seymour

Fri: 19th May St Milburga

St Mary's 9.15am Marie McFarlane
Our Lady's 12.noon Kathleen Winstanley

Sat: 20th May

St Mary's 11.00am Josephine McFarlane
Our Lady's 12.noon Carmel Duke

Sat: Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Easter

St Saviour's 5.00pm Bill Dobson
Our Lady's 6.30pm Parishioners

Sun: 21st May Sixth Sunday of Easter

St Mary's 9.00am Kiely Family Healing Int.
St Saviour's 11.00am Parishioners
St Bernard's 9.00am Michael Dean
Our Lady's 11.00am Patrick O'Driscoll (B.day)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's Saturday 11.15am – 11.45am
St Saviour's on request after any Mass
St Mary's Sun 8.30 -8.50am
And on request at any Parish

EXPOSITION & HOLY HOUR

St Mary's 8.30am Adoration prior to
9.15am weekday Masses
Our Lady's 11.00am to 11.45am Fridays
(Except when there is a Funeral that day)

ROSARY & NOVENA

St Saviour's Wednesday 7.00pm

BAPTISM

Please pray for Erin Hunter and Maya Wood baptised at St Mary's and Jacob Brady and Millie Thornton baptised at Our Lady's and all the newly baptised as they begin their journey of faith together.

WEDDING

We pray for all newly married couples and for all couples who are celebrating anniversaries at this time. May their lives continue to be filled with love and many blessings.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for the sick:

We pray for all the sick of our Parishes, and for those named in the Book of the Sick at St. Bernard's, the Book of the Sick at St. Saviour's, the Sick List in Our Lady's, and the Sick List in St Mary's. Please pray also for those in hospital, the housebound and their families.

***PLEASE DO LET THE PRIESTS KNOW IF SOMEONE IS
SERIOUSLY ILL OR WISHES COMMUNION***

We remember in our prayers, Margaret Stoneley, Mark Seymour, Ronald Burrows all who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they rest in peace

*For details of Hall Bookings or Piety Stall information
please contact the LPA Office*

FUNERALS

See the front of the Newsletter for those in Church this week, and:

Ronald Burrows - Funeral Service will take place at Our Lady's Church, 12.30pm on Thursday, 26th May.

Please keep all who have died recently and their families in your prayers at this time

LOCAL & DIOCESAN NEWS

Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima:

Canon Jonathan Mitchell, our Shrewsbury Cathedral Dean, sends this message: "This year is the centenary of the apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima. To mark the centenary the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is visiting the Cathedrals of England and Wales, accompanied by the relics of Blessed Jacinta and Blessed Francisco. The statue will be at our Cathedral in Shrewsbury on the weekend of the 20th and 21st of May (please see the poster for details) and we look forward to welcoming you as pilgrims"

100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions:

Please join us in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions this Sunday 14th May at Ss. Peter, Paul & Philomena's church, 7 Atherton Street, New Brighton, CH45 9LT. The celebration will start at 10.30am with Sung Mass followed by a procession and crowning of the Statue. At 1pm there will be a free buffet lunch, a concert at 2pm followed by Rosary and Benediction. For further details and directions, please contact Rachel on 07770266679 or rachelbuckley8@gmail.com

Pentecost Praise 2017:

Saint Bede's Local Pastoral Area (Birkenhead) would like to invite you to their "Pentecost Praise' on Tuesday 30th May at 7pm in Saint Michael & All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead, Wirral, CH49 5LE. Everyone is welcome.

Singing the Mass:

A workshop for anyone who sings or plays an instrument in church. It will be led by Frances Novillo, Music Director for the Parish of Mary Immaculate & St Gregory the Great, High Barnet. Saturday 24th June 10am – 3pm St Winefride's Church, Burton Road, Neston CH64 9RF

Cost £10 including lunch. For further details contact Louise Wilkinson

music@stwinefridesneston.org.uk

To reserve a place please download a booking form from:

www.stwinefridesneston.org.uk/music

SVP Holiday Home Support:

The SVP Holiday Home in Talacre is a vital resource in providing a Holiday to those who might not otherwise be able to afford or get a Holiday. The home may well have to be replaced in five or six years and the SVP are considering a long term plan to fund this. As part of their fundraising there will be a container at Our Lady's, St Bernard's, St Saviour's and St Mary's Churches for old Mobile Phones and Ink Cartridges which can be recycled to help raise funds for this project. Do please support this initiative if you can.

PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL EVENTS

'Nuns and Rosaries' Concert:

'Nuns and Rosaries' are hosting an evening of music & fun in aid of Ellesmere Port & Chester Lourdes Youth Group. 'Nuns and Rosaries' are a very talented group of musicians who play sing along and dance along songs. Please do come along for a night of fun, dancing and singing. Friday 9th June 2017 St Werburgh's Parish Centre Chester.

Doors open at 7:30pm, Tickets cost £5.00 from Anthony Hunt - 07714 160268, John Murray – 07740 203522, St Mary's Hooton – 0151 327 3158, Tony Hunt – 0151 339 9684

Cheese and Wine Evening:

Ellesmere Port & Chester Catenians are hosting an Evening of Music & Fun in Aid of Ellesmere Port & Chester Lourdes Youth Group at St Columba's Parish Hall, Plas Newton, CH2 1SA on Friday May 19th 2017, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Cheese, & Nibbles, with a complimentary glass of Wine Coffee & Tea. You can bring additional Alcohol & Glasses (No Drinks Licence at Parish Hall). Adult Tickets only £7.50, Under 16's free. Tickets available from Peter Devine 07825 172932 or John Murray 07740 203522

SVP Theatre Event:

Bebington Dramatic Society presents "Hobson's Choice" (comedy) on behalf of the SVP at the Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight on Wednesday 7th June at 7.30pm. All proceeds go towards the running costs of the holiday home in Talacre. Your support for this event would be much appreciated. Tickets cost £8.00 and will be available after Mass or from a member of the SVP.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:

Please see the Leaflets and Posters in our Churches regarding the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 23rd to 30th October 2017, and also the 'Youth Pilgrimage' to the Holy Land that will accompany it. Full details are available on Diocesan www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Lourdes: 27th July to 5th August 2017:

Places are available on the Youth & LPA Coach for this Diocesan Pilgrimage, cost £534 based on sharing. No overnight travel. If you are interested please contact the office at St Saviour's & St Mary's ASAP on 327 6158.

Local Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – February 2018:

Fr Louis & Deacon Tony intend to join up with Fr Paul Standish (St Wilfrid's Northwich) and lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Dates

are from 1st February 2018 for seven days. We will stay in hotels in Bethlehem & Jerusalem visiting many of the holy sites. The price will be in the region of £975.00 including flights, half-board accommodation and excursions. If you are interested please contact the office at St Saviour's & St Mary's on 327-6158 or speak with Fr Louis or Deacon Tony. *If you have taken a brochure, please complete it and return with deposit to 'Special Pilgrimages' ASAP*

PARISH NEWS

Thank You from Hilda Dobson:
Hilda would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards, masses and support following the loss of Bill.

St Saviour's & St Mary's School News:

This Thursday at 9.30am Mass will be at Saviour's Primary School. All are welcome to attend our School Masses. Congratulations to our Year 3 Children at St Saviour's & St Mary of the Angels who are celebrating their First Holy Communion at our Churches this weekend. Thank you to the Headteachers, all the Teachers and families who have prepared the children for this great occasion. Please keep them in in your prayers.

Free Lunch Club & Drop In at St. Saviour's:

The next Lunch Club & Drop in will be between 12pm and 2pm this Thursday 18th May. Refreshments, conversation and support for anyone wishing to join us. The church will also be open for prayer and reflection during this time. Spread the word and come and join us. All are welcome.

Parish Junior Youth Club:

Will meet again *at St Mary of the Angels* on Thursday 25th May from 6pm to 7.30pm. This is for children of Primary School age. Games, refreshments & activities provided. The recent meetings have been a great success with a good number of children attending.

The Sacrament of Baptism, Ellesmere Port & Hooton Churches:

If you are wishing to have a child Baptised, and it is your first child, or you have not attended a course it is a condition that you attend a preparation evening. The next course for those wishing to have children Baptised will be this Tuesday 16th May 7.00pm in Our Lady's Church. If you have not already applied to have your child Baptised please contact the LPA Office in order to book a place on the course.

'Our Mission Together' (OMT) at St Saviour's & St Mary's:

At most of last weekend's Masses, Bishop Mark's Letter 'Our Mission Together' was initiated. Following on from Bishop Mark's Lenten Pastoral Letter for 'The Renewal of our Mission', OMT will seek to develop Pastoral and Financial Resources for key areas in Shrewsbury Diocese. Therefore over the next few months myself (Fr Louis) and Deacon Tony and other parishioners from our Parish will be sharing with you the objectives of this fundraising campaign, and how it will benefit our Parish as well our Diocese. For those who did receive a copy of the Bishop's letter, there will be copies available in the porches of our Churches.

Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Meetings:

Thank you again to those who felt able to support the Parish Meeting last week. As a result a 'Steering Group' will come together to put the thoughts into a presentation for the next Parish Meeting, which will be on Wednesday, 14th June, 7.00pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre. We will keep you posted, and have summaries of the discussion available soon.

Our Lady & St Bernard's APF Boxes:

These are due to be emptied; please bring your Boxes to the Sacristies

at either of our Churches. They can be collected a couple or so weeks afterwards from the Sacristies after Mass.

History Evening & Parish Social:

7.00pm this Tuesday 16th May 2017 at St Saviour's Church. Fr Peter Phillips will give a talk about St John Plessington and displays of photographs and memorabilia will be in place. The event coordinators are: Catherine Jones from St Mary's and Eileen Brennan from St Saviour's. If you have any items or stories of interest please let us know. A buffet and refreshments will be available. **Free entry and all are welcome.**

Our Lady of Fatima 1917 – 2017:

The new statue is now in place and we extend a sincere thanks to all who have contributed to and supported this project. A huge thanks also to the parishioners who have been working very hard during recent weeks without whom this project would not have been possible. We pray that this beautiful shrine, through the intercession of Our Blessed Lady, will bring many graces to our parish family during the years ahead.

Bishop Mark has kindly agreed to join us on Tuesday 23rd May to bless the statue, 7pm Holy Mass at St Mary of the Angels followed by refreshments.

Our Lady's Tea & Coffee after Sunday, 11.00am Mass:

Just a reminder that Tea & Coffee are still available in the Parish Centre after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday, do feel welcome to pop in for a brew and a chat.

Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote Winners:

7th May:

1st Prize, £50-00 No. 125 Mr & Mrs Kundrat
2nd Prize £30-00 No. 79 P. Concannon

Awaiting Collection:

No. 29 T. McNay