

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 January 2018 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

Sat: Vigil of Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Saviour's 5.00pm Margaret & Arthur Harrington
60th Wedding Intention
Our Lady's 6.30pm Breda Peake

Sun 14th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners
St Saviour's 11.00am Molly Reville RIP
St Bernard's 9.00am Grant Family Intention
Our Lady's 11.00am Parishioners

Monday: 15th January

St Saviour's 9.15am Word & Communion Service
Our Lady's 9.15am Edna Cunningham

Tue: 16th January

EPCHS 8.45am School Intention
St Mary's 9.15am Word & Communion Service
Our Lady's 12.noon Deacon Norman Carew

Wed: 17th January - St Anthony of Egypt

Our Lady's 8.30am Priest's Intention
St Saviour's 6.00pm Holy Hour & Benediction

Thurs: 18th January

Our Lady's 2.00pm Funeral Mass for
John (Jack) Fitzpatrick

Fri: 19th January

St Mary's 9.15am Word & Communion Service
St Bernard's 9.30am (In Prim School) Thanksgiving
Our Lady's 12.noon Delaney Family
Sacraments Mass

Sat 20th January

Our Lady's 12.noon Anne Evason

Sat: Vigil of Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Saviour's 5.00pm George Downey
Our Lady's 6.30pm Winne Hogan

Sun 21st January Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners
St Saviour's 11.00am John Begg
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners
Our Lady's 11.00am Eileen Delaney

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's Saturday 11.15am – 11.45am
St Saviour's Saturday 4.20pm-4.50pm
Sunday 10.30am-10.50am unless delayed
St Mary's Sun 8.30 -8.50am
And on request at any Parish

EXPOSITION & HOLY HOUR

St Saviour's Holy Hour 6.00pm Wed 17th January
St Mary's 8.30am Adoration prior to
9.15am weekday Masses
No Holy Hour this week
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 Sulislaw Kopczynski baptised at St Mary's, Patrick Delaney, India-Rose Morgan, Emily & Evelyn Firth baptised at Our Lady's and for 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 Doreen Monaghan, Pauline Harrison, Sheila Wheeler, Isabella Bennett, Ann Davenport, Margaret Barrett, Anne Murray, George Beggs, Robert Fletcher, James Whittaker, John (Jack) Fitzpatrick, Philip Wood, Deacon Norman Carew, Deacon Steve McKenna, Canon Harry Stratton and all who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray that they may rest in peace

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

Upcoming Funeral Information

Philip Woods – Funeral Service will take place at Blacon Crematorium at 10.40am on Thursday 18th January

Isabella Bennett - Funeral Service will take place at Blacon Crematorium at 12.noon on Friday 19th January

Ann Davenport – Funeral Service will take place at Blacon Crematorium at 10.00am on Monday 22nd January

Margaret Barratt– Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 2.00pm on Friday 26th January

Doreen Monaghan – Funeral Service will take place at Our Lady's at 10.45am on Thursday 1st February

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

LOCAL & DIOCESAN NEWS

Retired Priests' Fund – Special Collection 13th/14th January: Today the annual Special Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is being held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you use weekly Offertory Envelopes, please can I ask that you write in your envelope number. If you do not have your Offertory Envelope with you, or you give to your Parish by means of a Standing Order, write in your name and home address. In this way, it will be possible to reclaim the tax on your donation if you have joined the Gift Aid scheme.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation to the Fund. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing,

+Mark
Bishop of Shrewsbury

There are Special Gift Aid Envelopes available this weekend. Please fill out your name and address and the amount you are giving. In the box please write your Parish Offertory Number and then beside this indicate which Parish you donate to and have numbered Gift Aid Envelopes for. If you donate to St Saviour's write: SS, for St Mary's Write: SM, for Our Lady & St Bernard's write: OLSB. This is especially important if you are donating in one of the other parishes from your usual one. We have not been supplied with a great number of these envelopes, so please only use one if you are 'Gift Aiding' your donation, otherwise please use the 'loose plate' offerings. Thanks for your support.

A Message from Bishop Mark -Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard: The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to U-turn on their promise to Catholics. Please visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

LPA, SVP Youth Conference: The next meeting will be this coming Monday, 15th January at 4.15pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre. Our Youth Conference meet every two weeks, at 4.15pm on Monday evenings, in Our Lady's Parish Centre. New members from 10 years plus are always welcome. It would be good to welcome new members,

and for further information, please call Chris Duke on: 0151 355 6954 for more information.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: The followings Services will take place for the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity:

For 'A41' Churches - Service for Christian Unity at St Mary of the Angels Church: 5.00pm on Sunday 21st January and we will be joined by members of other local churches. Please come along and join in this short service of prayer which will be followed by refreshments in Stanley Hall.

For 'Town Centre' Churches - Service for Christian Unity at Chester Road United Reformed Church: 7.30pm on Wednesday, 23rd January. As Parking is limited, we are invited to Park in the 'Masonic Lodge' opposite, by the fence on the far side.

Peace Sunday 14th January 2018: This weekend is designated as Peace Sunday. Although it's more than 70 years since this country has been at war, there are still many wars being waged throughout the world. Pax Christi is the Church's official organisation and their work is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Their vision is of a world where people can live in peace without fear of violence in all its forms.

Shrewsbury Online Liturgical Calendar: For those of you who are 'Universalis' users or are interested in an online/mobile app of the Divine Office and Mass Readings and prayers, the Shrewsbury Diocesan Calendar is now available via: www.universalis.com or can be downloaded through the app store on your phone or tablet.

Hosanna House & Children's Pilgrimage Trust (HCPT): At Easter time 2018, a newly formed HCPT group will be taking a small group of vulnerable and disadvantaged children on a pilgrimage to Lourdes. Overall, we need to raise a total of £10,000 and as part of fundraising we are organising an Irish Dancing Afternoon Tea fundraising event to be held at St Anne's Parish Centre, Rock Ferry on Sunday 21st January, 12-4pm. Tickets

will be available @ £8 for a fun afternoon of Ceili dancing, Afternoon Tea, Irish Bingo, a raffle and traditional Irish dancing!! We understand that Christmas is just around the corner, and money is a struggle, but we would really appreciate any support for this event. It would make a lovely Christmas gift for a Grandparent!! Please contact Erin McCulloch on 07473 311235 or by email erinmcculloch6@hotmail.co.uk if you are interested or know anyone who might be!! All proceeds from the fundraiser will go towards expenses for the trip.

Shrewsbury Diocesan Year Books: Our Diocese of Shrewsbury 2018 Year Books are now available in our Churches; they cost £5-00 standard and £6-00 Ringbound and contain information about the parishes and structures in our Diocese.

PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL EVENTS

Holy Land Pilgrimage 1st February 2018: Fr Paul Standish invites those who have booked on this pilgrimage to join with the parishioners of St Wilfrid's, Northwich for Mass at 12 noon on Saturday 20th January 2018, and for refreshments afterwards. While there is no transport booked for this day if anyone is going and has seats available or anyone would like to go but has no transport please speak to Deacon Tony so transport can be sorted. **A coach will also be booked to take us to and collect us from Manchester Airport, this is not included in the cost;** further details will be made available at the meeting in Northwich.

Scotland Trip Monday 14th to Friday 18th May 2018: For those who will be joining us on this trip please note that final payments are due by Monday 19th February. Further details will be made available soon.

SVP Holiday Home Fund Raiser: To be held on Friday 9th February 2018 at St Columba's Parish Hall, Chester. Tickets cost £10 and are available from SVP Members. The main performers will be the Chester Catholic High School band which goes by the name of City Jazz (website

thecityjazzorchestrasingers.co.uk) but also our own 'Nuns & Rosaries' will be performing. Please support this event if you can. It will be an entertaining evening and raise funds for a very worthy cause. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS

St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish Luncheon Club:

Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 25th January from 12 until 2pm. All are welcome for some conversation, company and refreshments.

LPA Junior Youth Club: Please note (winter venue) – we will meet again at St Saviour's Church on Thursday 18th January from 6pm until 7.30pm. This group is open to all of our children of primary school age, year 3 and over!

Staff & Governors of St Saviour's & St Mary of the Angels Primary Schools

A Social Gathering will take place at St Saviour's Church Hall on Monday 15th January from 4pm onwards.

All staff and governors are warmly invited to join us for some food, drink and conversation.

Midday Assistant Vacancy: St Mary of the Angels primary school have a vacancy for a Midday Assistant, to start ASAP. Hours of work 11.45 -1.15, term time only. Pay £2462 - £2570. Please contact the school for more information on 0151 338 2430, or email admin@smota.co.uk

Traidcraft Stall: The Traidcraft stall will be open after Mass this weekend, 13th-14th January at Our Lady's Church with St. Bernard's 28th January and St. Saviour's on 20th-21st January. Please take this opportunity of stocking up with your favourite Fairtrade products or try some of the new items on sale. The Fairtrade movement continues to grow and a visit to the Fairtrade website (fairtrade.org.uk) will provide a better understanding of the how the Fairtrade movement benefits so many small farming communities

around the world. Here in our LPA parishes we are making a contribution to the development of Fairtrade in our church community.

Reception into the Catholic Faith: If you are interested in receiving more information about becoming a Catholic, or know of anyone considering becoming a member of the Church, please speak with a member of our clergy team or contact the parish offices. Further information will be available soon.

New Mass Cards & 2018 LPA

Diaries: These are available across our Churches. If you would like to take one may we suggest an offering of £4-00, for a Mass Card & Diary? This will help us offset any costs involved.

Our Lady & St Bernard's Parish Formation Team Meeting:

The next Meeting of the Our Lady & St Bernard's Parish Formation Team will be this coming Wednesday, 17th January, 7.00pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre 'Upper Room'. Please come through Church, as the 'Flower Club' will be on in the Main hall. It would be good if folk were able to come, and help us take the next steps forward.

Our Lady's Luncheon Club: Due to a Diocesan Training Day, there will be no Luncheon Club at Our Lady's on Tuesday, 23rd January. All normal for this coming Week though.

Our Lady's Piety Shop – Help

needed: help is required to run the Piety Shop after 11.00am Mass on a Sunday for half an hour, once a fortnight. If you are able to help, please contact the LPA office on 0151 355 1255.

Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote Winners– 7th January:

1st Prize, £50-00 No. 40 P Llowarch
2nd Prize, £30-00 No. 110 C Park

Awaiting Collection

No. 62 Mr & Mrs Mitchell
No. 97 Hannah Oakley
No. 133 Josie Flanagan
No. 160 Richard Park