

**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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**25<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – Second Sunday of Lent Year B**

**Sat: Vigil of Second Sunday of Lent**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Bill Dobson  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Ann Newsome

**Sun 25<sup>th</sup> February Second Sunday of Lent**

St Mary's 9.00am John & Mary Warner (Get Well)  
St Saviour's 11.00am Parishioners  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Pat Sullivan (A)

**Monday: 26<sup>th</sup> February**

St Saviour's 9.15am Veronica Sheils  
Our Lady's 9.15am Terry Howey

**Tue: 27<sup>th</sup> February**

EPCHS 8.45am School Intention  
St Marys 9.15am in School-Clarke & Litten Fam  
St Saviour 11.15am Funeral Service –  
Charles Thomas  
Our Lady's 2.00pm Funeral Mass for  
Robert Fauguel

**Wed: 28<sup>th</sup> February**

Our Lady's 8.30am Clary Rice Birthday Rem  
St Saviour's 9.15am Terry Howey

**Thurs: 1<sup>st</sup> March – St David**

St Saviour's 9.30am in School – Angela's Int  
Our Lady's 9.15am Giuseppe Contilli

**Fri: 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

St Mary's 9.15am Lawrence Kelly-Jones (RIP)  
Our Lady's 9.15am Eileen Lily

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

St Mary's 10.00am Stations of the Cross  
11.00am Fr Louis Int  
Our Lady's 12.noon Patrick Sixsmith

**Sat: Vigil of Third Sunday of Lent**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Bridget Harris  
Our Lady's 6.30pm John Joseph Lee (A)

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> March Third Sunday of Lent**

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners  
St Saviour's 11.00am Int. of Grimes Family  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Alicja & Gerzy Morawski  
& Ryszard Kozlowski

**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** No Holy Hour this week  
**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 Morgan Jones Catton 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 Mary Franklin, Constance Grimes, Alma (Pam) Mowll, Teresa Halpin, Geraldine Sheils, Edna (Peggy) Squirell, Joan Rainford, Michael Fowler, Terence Ditchfield, Charles Thomas, Bob Fauguel, Alan Thompson, Jeremy Cracknell, Timothy O'Sullivan, Alexander Kenworthy, Philip Dickson, Father Stephen Dwyer 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*

## LOCAL & DIOCESAN NEWS

### LENT 2018

**LPA Parishes Website:** As we are now entering the Season of Lent details will be available on our LPA Parishes Website of Special Events during Lent and Eastertide. Please pay a visit on: [www.rcchep.co.uk](http://www.rcchep.co.uk) - This information will be updated during Lent & Eastertide.

#### **SVP Stations of the Cross:**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 7pm at Our Lady's  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 7pm at St Saviour's  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7pm at Our Lady's  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 7pm at St Saviour's

**Penance Service:** The first of our Deanery Penance Services, with the Opportunity for Individual Confessions, will be at St Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA at 7.00pm on Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> March. The second will be at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, 7.00pm on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **A41 Churches Together Lenten**

**Lunches:** This year's Lenten Lunches will take place from 12noon until 1.30pm at the following churches:

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February: St Paul's at Hooton

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February: St John's at Great Sutton

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March: St George's URC

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March: Little Sutton Methodist

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March: Combined Churches in St Mary of the Angels  
Lunch will cost £3.00 and all proceeds will go to charity. All welcome.

#### **CAFOD Lent Fast Day Collection**

**2018:** As we said last week, the official 'CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day' took place last Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February. We gave out Envelopes last week, and there will still be some available in our Churches. There will be a Retiring Collections in all our Churches this weekend, 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>

February, when envelopes can be returned along with any 'loose plate' donations. If you have not already done so please consider taking a Fast Day envelope this weekend, if you are eligible for 'Gift Aid' do please take a moment to fill out the slip enclosed and increase the value of your gift even further. Please give generously to this weekend's collection to support CAFOD's work in poor and vulnerable communities around the world. This year, for a fixed time all donations will be matched by 'UK Aid', when the UK Government will match 'pound for pound' all offerings made to this Collection up to Five Million Pounds! So do please support this Collection as much as you are able.

#### **CAFOD Statement- Safeguarding Vulnerable**

**Communities:** A Statement has been issued by the Director of CAFOD, Chris Bain, following accusations against former OXFAM staff members. The statement along with CAFOD's Code of Behaviour can be viewed at [www.CAFOD.org.uk/News/UK-news/CAFOD-safeguarding-statement](http://www.CAFOD.org.uk/News/UK-news/CAFOD-safeguarding-statement)

#### **Women's World Day of Prayer**

**2018 Services:** All God's Creation is Very Good. A Service for Women's World Day of Prayer will take place on Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10.30am at Our Lady's Church and 2.30pm at St Mary of the Angels Church. Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome.

#### **LPA, SVP Youth Conference:**

The next meeting will be this coming Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 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.

**Hospital Mass:** The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> March at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester hospital Chapel. This is for patients/outpatients, staff, families and friends, and the wellbeing of our hospitals, including the Bowmere. All are welcome.

#### **Upcoming Funeral Information**

For details of Funerals taking place this coming week in our parishes, please see the front page of the newsletter.

**Jeremy Cracknell** – Funeral Service will take place at Chester Crematorium Chapel at 3.20pm on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March

**Philip Dickson** – Funeral Service will take place at St Saviour's Church at 12.noon on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March

**Teresa Halpin** – Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 11.00am on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March

**Alan Thompson** – Funeral Service will take place at Chester Crematorium at 9.20am on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**Edna (Peggy) Squirell** – Funeral Mass will take place at St Saviour's at 10.00am on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Joan Rainford** – Funeral Mass will take place at St Saviour's at 12.30pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Geraldine Sheils** – Funeral Service will take place at St Saviour's at 12.noon on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March

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

#### **PILGRIMAGES TRIPS &SOCIAL EVENTS**

**LPA Holy Land Pilgrimage February 2018:** This was a great

success and as promised the intentions of every member of our LPA community were remembered in our Masses and prayers at the Holy Places where Jesus walked and ministered.

**St Patrick's Night Celebration – Save the date:** A night of music and dance will be held in St Saviour's Church Hall on ***Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30pm***. Music will be provided by 'Anthony & Craig' and ticket details etc will be made available soon. Irish stew, tea & coffee will be provided, no bar so please bring your own choice of drinks. Tickets cost £7.00 and all funds raised will be in support of our Lourdes Youth Group. Tickets are available after weekend Masses in all of our churches or via the office at St Saviour & St Mary's on 327-6158. **All are welcome.**

**Scotland Trip Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018:** For those joining us on this trip please note that final payments are due by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. All joining us should now have received a letter with more details.

**Stanlaw Abbey Talk:** There will be an illustrated talk on Stanlaw Abbey in St Mary's Hall on 8<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm. Tea & coffee will be available and all are welcome.

## **PARISH NEWS**

**Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC):** Many thanks to everyone that gave to the SPUC retiring collection last weekend. We will let you know the amount that was collected soon.

**Spiritan's Mission Appeal at St Saviour's & St Mary's - Thank you:** Many thanks to everyone who gave to the Spiritan's Mission Appeal. We have sent off £807.08 from St Saviour's and St Mary's Parish.

**Traidcraft Stall:** The Traidcraft stall will be open after Mass this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February at St Bernard's. Please

take this opportunity of stocking up with your favourite Fairtrade products or try some of the new items on sale. Please note that Fairtrade Fortnight will start on 26<sup>th</sup> February and this will be an opportunity to support the many small producers and farmers in the developing world by giving Fairtrade a go.

**St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish Luncheon Club:** Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 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 1<sup>st</sup> March from 6pm until 7.30pm.

This group is open to **all of our children** of primary school age, year 3 and over!

**Primary School Masses:** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 9.15am Mass in St Mary's of the Angels primary School.

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 9.30am Mass in St Saviour's Primary School. Parishioners are most welcome to join with our school family for Holy Mass.

**First Forgiveness: St Mary of the Angels:** This Wednesday evening (28<sup>th</sup> February) at 6pm children from St Mary of the Angels will receive the Sacrament of Forgiveness for the first time. Please keep the children, their families and school staff in your prayers

**Parish History: St Mary of the Angels:** If parishioners have any historic photographs or documents that you wish to form part of the parish archives please deliver them to the presbytery or hand to Catherine Jones.

**Parish Sunday Roast at St Mary of the Angels:** We will be hosting

another Sunday Roast at 2pm this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February in Stanley Hall. All are welcome on a first come first served basis! There is no charge but donations are invited simply to cover costs. Many thanks.

**Training for Ministers of Holy Communion:** A further two training sessions will take place at St Saviour's church at 7pm on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. All existing ministers and those interested in this vital ministry are encouraged to attend. Many thanks to Tony Flynn for leading these sessions.

**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 approach clergy anytime.

**Our Lady's Eucharistic Ministers:** The new lists are in the pigeon holes for people to collect.

**Our Lady & St Bernard's Parish Formation Team:** Thanks to the support we have received. We have now relaunched the Parish Centre Committee and we will soon be restarting the Finance Committee. As we have said before, the Tea & Coffee after the 6.30pm Mass on Saturdays has now restarted, and we will be keeping this going until Easter, when we will review how it has been going. We will let you know soon when the next Meeting of the Formation Team, will be.

**Old Mobile Phones/Used Ink Cartridges:** The SVP are still collecting old mobile phones, and used ink cartridges. A collecting box is at the back of Our Lady's and St Bernard's. This is an easy way to raise funds for the purchase of our next holiday home, when the life of our present one is completed. Thank You.

**Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote**

**Winners– 18<sup>th</sup> February:**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £50.00

No.5. K Henricus

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £30.00

No.54 T Walsh

**Awaiting Collection:**

No. 55. C Oakley

No. 93 Mrs Jean Turley