

**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> March 2018 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord of Lent Year B**

**Sat: Vigil of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Margaret Gilleece  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Magdalena Tarasova &  
Pavol Glevanak

**Sun 25<sup>th</sup> March**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners  
St Saviour's 11.00am Valerie Howey  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Norah Bather

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

Our Lady's 9.15am Nora Williams 80 B'day Thanks.  
Pantasaph 11.00am – Fr Peter Phillips B/day Int.

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

St Mary's 9.00am Father Louis' Intention  
Our Lady's 12.noon Joe Tunstall Intention  
Our Lady's 1.15pm Funeral Service for  
Patricia Maund

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

Our Lady's 10.45am Funeral Service Laurence Reddy  
1.30pm Funeral Mass Eddie McHugh  
St Saviour's 12.30pm Requiem Mass John Jones

**Thurs: 29<sup>th</sup> March - Holy Thursday**

St Mary's 7.00pm Lawrence & Margaret Kenny  
Watching until 10.00pm  
Our Lady's 7.30pm Fr Joe Carney Intention  
Watching to 10.00pm

**Fri: 30<sup>th</sup> March Good Friday**

St Mary's 10.00am Children's Stations of the Cross  
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion  
Presider – Deacon Tony  
St Saviour's 3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion  
Presider – Father Louis  
Our Lady's 3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion  
7.00pm Stations of the Cross

**Sat: Vigil of Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil Mass**

St Saviour's 8.00pm Sadie Linford  
Our Lady's 8.30pm Parishioners

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday**

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners  
St Saviour's 11.00am Michael & Mary Duffy  
St Bernard's 9.00am Diocesan Clergy Intention  
Our Lady's 11.00am Dominik Sarota

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Our Lady's** Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 11.15am – 11.45am  
**Good Friday**, 30<sup>th</sup> March 4.15pm – 4.45pm & 6.15pm to  
6.45pm. No Confessions on Holy Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> March  
**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 Henry Smith, Theo, Oakley & Finley Preece baptised at Our Lady's and all the newly baptised as they begin their journey of faith together.

**WEDDING**

We pray for Paul Carron & Helen Bott married at St Mary's last week and 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 Ann Kenyon, Mary Bentham, Patricia Maund, Jacqueline Churchill, Mary O'Neill, Sheila Latham, Alan Thompson, Timothy O'Sullivan, Alexander Kenworthy, John Jones, Laurence Reddy, Joe Ward, Philip Williams, Eddie McHugh, John Cox and all who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray that they may rest in peace*

## LOCAL & DIOCESAN NEWS

### LENT & EASTER 2018

#### Holy Week Celebrations:

#### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Diocese of Shrewsbury Chrism Mass at Shrewsbury Cathedral, Town Walls, Shrewsbury SY1 1TE at 7.00pm: Please contact the LPA office if you would like to attend.

#### Holy Thursday: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

The Mass of the Lord's Supper will take place at the following times in our Churches:

**St. Mary's:** 7.00pm with Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm

**Our Lady's:** 7.30pm with Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.30pm

#### Good Friday: 30<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Services will take place at the following times in our Churches:

**St. Saviour's:** Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00pm

**St. Mary's:** Children's Stations of the Cross at 10.00am, Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00pm

**Our Lady's:** Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00pm, Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm

Also on Good Friday the 'Christians Together in the Port' Walk of Witness takes place, starting with a Service at 10.30am at the Salvation Army, Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port and then going on to the Port and ending with refreshments at Trinity Methodist Church, Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port.

#### Holy Saturday: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018

The Easter Vigil Mass will take place at the following times in our Churches:

**St. Saviour's:** 8.00pm

**Our Lady's:** 8.30pm

#### Easter Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

Easter Day Masses will take place at the following times in our Churches:

**St. Saviour's:** 11.00am

**St. Mary's:** 9.00am

**Our Lady's:** 11.00am

**St. Bernard's:** 9.00am

Also on Easter Sunday Morning the Ellesmere Port Churches Together Sunrise Service takes place, at 7.30am in front of Trinity Methodist Church, Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port followed by breakfast.

**Easter Food Blessing:** A Service of Blessing of the traditional 'Easter Food' for the Polish & Slovak Communities will take place at Our Lady's at 2.30pm on Holy Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> March.

**LPA Parishes Website:** Details of our Holy Week & Easter Services are available on our LPA Website.

#### Additional Confession Times for Holy Week at Our Lady's:

There will be additional Opportunities for Confession at Our Lady's during Holy Week on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March 11.15am to 11.45am and on Good Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 4.15pm to 4.45pm after the Solemn Liturgy of the Passion, and again on Good Friday from 6.15pm to 6.45pm before the 7.00pm Stations of the Cross. Please note that, in respect of Church teaching, there will be no Confessions on Holy Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> March.

#### Children's Good Friday Service at

**ST Mary of the Angels:** On Good Friday at 10am our Children's Way of the Cross Service will take place at St Mary of the Angels church. A light breakfast will be available in Stanley Hall from 9.15am and Hot Cross Buns will be available after the service. All are welcome.

#### Divine Mercy Sunday at St Mary

**of the Angels:** Since the Year 2000, the Universal Church has marked the Second Sunday of Easter as 'Divine Mercy Sunday.' - Pope St John Paul II designated this day as the Feast of Divine Mercy when he canonized Sister Faustina. - The devotions on this special day, regards God's ultimate mercy! The Divine Mercy devotions, will take place on Sunday 8th April 2018, at St Mary of the Angels Church (Chester Rd), starting in Stanley Hall. - The day commences at 1.30pm, and concludes at about 5.30pm (ish); it will include a film, the blessing of the Divine Mercy Image, a Holy Hour, Confessions & Holy Mass. - All are welcome to attend!

## Working Towards Building 'Missionary Parishes' for the

**Future:** As we have said before, we have been asked in this existing Local Pastoral Area (LPA) of Ellesmere Port & Hooton to work towards becoming one 'Missionary Parish'. This does not mean just one Church, but as is the case with our two Parishes now, both having two Churches, yet being one Parish. This is something that is happening not just in our area, but across the whole Diocese, and in different ways across all the Dioceses of England & Wales. The term 'Missionary Parish' comes from Pope Francis, who is calling us, whilst rooted in reality, not to let changes drag us down to looking inward, but seeing the situations, look outward, and ask how, given where we are as a Church today, look outward, seeking to share and live the Gospel, being 'Missionary Parishes' for today's world. For each area there is no 'blueprint' for us to adapt to, but for each area to work from the 'ground up' suggesting the most workable way forward. We already have many shared structures and programmes in our LPA, and very soon the LPA Clergy and representative Parishioners from our two Parish Formation Teams will form a Group to consider suggestions about how a 'Missionary Parish' might take shape in our area. We will keep you posted, but do please keep this LPA in your prayers, and we seek to move forward in Mission.

#### Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team:

The Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team have now launched their exciting new website [www.synt.org.uk](http://www.synt.org.uk) Find out about the team, events happening around the Diocese and read their weekly blog.

#### Shrewsbury Diocese Job Vacancy:

The Diocese of Shrewsbury is looking to appoint a full-time, permanent Deputy Director of Schools, who will support the Director of Schools in:

Promoting the highest standards of education in our Diocesan Schools:

- Supporting Governors and Headteachers in appointing high quality Catholic Leaders to our schools:

- Providing a strategic direction for the further development of academies within the Diocese:
- Supporting and developing the family of schools within the Diocese:
- Providing training to Governors, Headteachers, Staff and Chaplains.

Further details and an application form are available from the Diocesan website <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> and completed applications should be returned to [pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) Closing date 13 April 2018.

### **Upcoming Funeral Information**

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

**Philip Williams** - Funeral Service will take place at St Saviour's at 9.30am on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**Joe Ward** – Funeral Mass will take place at St Saviour's at 10.00am on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

**Jacqueline Churchill** - Funeral Service will take place at Chester Crematorium at 2.00pm on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April

**Mary O'Neill** - Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 10.00am on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April

**John Cox** - Funeral Service will take place at Our Lady's at 2.00pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

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

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

**Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:** This year marks the 160th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady to Bernadette in Lourdes. The Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 26 July-3 August overland and 27 July-2 August by air. Brochures and booking forms can be downloaded from the Pilgrimage Website [www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk) or from the Pilgrimage Office: St Alban's, 30 Mill Lane, Wallasey, CH44 5UD.

This year flight seats are limited so early booking is recommended.

### **PARISH NEWS**

#### **Pantasaph Mass on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2018:**

There will be no Mass at St Saviour's or St Mary's Church this Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March due to Fr Louis and Deacon Tony attending a retreat at Pantasaph for Our Lady's Year 5 pupils. Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Church at Pantasaph at 11am and all are welcome to join them there.

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

Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April 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 12<sup>th</sup> April from 6pm until 7.30pm.

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

#### **APF (Red) Mission Boxes at Our Lady & St Bernard's:**

These are due to be emptied this month. Please bring your box to the Sacristy and collect it from there on your next visit to Church.

#### **St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish Craft Group:**

Will hold an Easter sale of Goods after our weekend at St Mary of the Angels on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish Formation Team:**

Will meet again at Stanley Hall (St Mary's) on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm. If you are a member of this team please come along to this important meeting.

**SVP Mass for the Sick:** Advance notice – this will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 11am in St Saviour's Church. All welcome.

Please speak to any member of the SVP if you require transport.

#### **SVP Easter Hampers at St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels:**

We are once again with the support of the SVP looking to provide Easter hampers and shopping vouchers for local families in need. If you wish to support this you can as always leave non-perishable foods at the rear of our churches or make a donation to support the work of our SVP.

#### **SVP Youth Conference Easter Egg Raffle:**

The SVP Youth Conference will be selling tickets for their annual Easter Egg Raffle. This year's raffle is in aid of sending a sick pilgrim to Lourdes. The Easter Eggs, which have been donated to the Youth Conference, are Fairtrade Easter Eggs, called 'The Real Easter Egg' and contain, with the Easter Egg, a Fairly Traded Orange Chocolate Bar, an Olive Wood Cross from the Holy Land & a simple guide to the Christian Easter Story. Do please support them & the draw will take place this Palm Sunday, after the 11.00am Mass. A strip tickets cost a £1, and will be on sale in Our Lady & St Bernard's only, this weekend.

#### **Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Formation Team Update:**

Due to circumstances that could not have been foreseen, times had to be rearranged. The next full meeting will be a short update meeting on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> April, 6.00pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre, before the 7.00pm Catechetical Talk that night. In the meantime we will be hoping to get in contact with all those who volunteered for Ministries and roles, and get these up and running. There are information Sheets available at the back of our Churches for anyone who may be interested in becoming more involved. As we say, these will be followed up after Easter. We hope to have a 'Buzz' Update available for Easter Sunday.

#### **Our Lady & St Bernard's Gift Aid:**

At this time of year we are asked by the Diocese to contact parishioners who have made a Gift Aid for Our Lady's/ St Bernard's Parish, to confirm their Tax Status, therefore would you

please take a moment and speak to  
Brian/Jean at the back of church after  
masses this weekend 17<sup>th</sup>

**Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote**

**Winners– 18<sup>th</sup> March:**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £50.00

No. 104 CMC

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £30.00

No.92 A. Wells