

**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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**22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B**

**Sat: Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Paul Docherty  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Alison Edwards Ribeiro 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann

**Sun: 22<sup>th</sup> April - Fourth Sunday of Easter**

St Mary's 9.00am Giuseppe & Elisa Contilli  
St Saviour's 11.00am Parishioners  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Maura Elliott

**Monday: 23<sup>rd</sup> April - St George**

St Saviour's 9.15am John & Florence LeGuen (RIP)

**Tue: 24<sup>th</sup> April**

St Mary's 9.15am In School Josephine McDonnell  
Our Lady's 10.30am Funeral Mass for  
Jonathan Brennan  
1.45pm Funeral Mass for  
Adrienne May Burrows

**Wed: 25<sup>th</sup> April - St Mark**

St Saviour's 7.00pm Eddie McHugh

**Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> April**

St Saviour's 9.30am in School-Ted & Peg McArdle  
Our Lady's 12.noon Winnie Hogan

**Fri: 27<sup>th</sup> April**

St Mary's 9.15am Len Wilson  
Our Lady's 12.noon Ganty's Intention

**Sat 28<sup>th</sup> April**

St Saviour's 11.00am SVP Mass for the Sick  
Our Lady's 12.noon First Communion Mass -  
Connors Family

**Sat: Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Margaret Stonely RIP  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Gabriel McGahon

**Sun: 29<sup>th</sup> April - Fifth Sunday of Easter**

St Mary's 9.00am Margaret Roberts  
St Saviour's 11.00am Parishioners  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Sabatino Spina

**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** 6.00pm Holy Hour 25<sup>th</sup> April

**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 Johnny Foley & Daisy Clarke 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 Adrienne May Burrows, Dorothy Caldwell, Eileen Cushing, Margaherita Novo Castro, Alan Thompson, Timothy O'Sullivan, Alexander Kenworthy, John Cox, Christopher Wells, Johnathan Brennan, John Russell, 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

### Upcoming Funeral Information

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

**Eileen Cushing** – Funeral Service will take place at Chester Crematorium at 10.00am on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April

**John Russell** – Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 1.00pm on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April

**Dorothy Caldwell** – Funeral Service will take place at Our Lady's at 2.00pm on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May

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

### Working Towards Building 'Missionary Parishes' for the Future:

As we mentioned we are gently taking this process forward in our area, working with the St Saviour & Mary's & Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Formation Teams. We had an initial meeting last week of the group of Clergy and Parishioners who are discussing the best way to take this procedure forward. Several thoughts came forward, and, hopefully in the next couple of weeks or so, we will get together a 'Supplement Sheet' for the Newsletter to share these thoughts with everyone. Please keep our working towards building a Missionary Parish in your prayers.

**Living a Sacramental Life:** In preparation for the National Eucharistic Congress, and for the 'Year of the Eucharist' a series of talks organised by our Diocese of Shrewsbury will explore the relationship between the Sacraments, particularly how each relates to the Eucharist as their source and centre. Given by Fr Oliver Treanor, Fr Jonathan Brandon, Fr Edmund Montgomery and Miss Barbara Davies, these talks are open to all. In the north of our Diocese these talks are in Our Lady's Parish Centre, here in Ellesmere Port. These are on Wednesdays, 25<sup>th</sup> April & 2<sup>nd</sup> May; 7:00pm/7:30pm to approximately 9:15pm. Please contact the LPA Office for registration.

**Fruitful discipleship: Living the Mission of Jesus in the Church and the World:** A Conference by Sherry Weddell for the Laity and Religious. St Ambrose College, Hale Barns, Altrincham

WA15 0HE. Saturday 12 May 2018 9:30/10:00am – 3:30pm. Please bring lunch, coffee & tea will be provided. Enquiries to [barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

Registration [helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

### To all members of the

#### **Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality:**

A message from the Diocese of Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality: "At the last AGM we voted to begin a working party to look at our constitution and ensure that it is fit for purpose for the future. We have met a couple of times and have come up with some draft proposals. We will meet again at St Mary of the Angels, Hooton, CH66 1QJ - Exit J5 M53 and head in direction of Chester A41. Church is 200 yards over the lights beside a car wash on right hand side - on Saturday, 12th May at 1.30pm. Anyone who wishes to join us will be very welcome. If you would like to receive a copy of the existing constitution and the suggested changes or, if you are unable to join us but want to make a comment, please email me at [annerogowski584@hotmail.com](mailto:annerogowski584@hotmail.com) and I will ensure that your points are fed back. We hope to have a final proposal ready to put before the AGM in September. I apologise to anyone who did not receive notice of the last meeting. It may not have gone out as widely as we intended. Many thanks. Anne Rogowski."

#### **Vacancy for Parish Youth Minister:**

For the Parishes of St Michael and All Angels, Woodchurch and St Maximilian Kolbe Parish Runcorn. The successful candidate will be working closely with Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team and the individual Parishes to provide a positive Catholic role model enabling young people to see their lives through the gospel lens. This is to be a full time post with a salary between £19,000 and £22,000. Deadline to apply is April 27th 2018. If you are or know someone who may be interested in this position please see the posters in church or contact the Diocese for more in depth information. [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies)

**Rosary on the Coast – 29<sup>th</sup> April:** St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels are

taking part in this 'Rosary on the Coast Initiative.' It is endorsed by Pope Francis and many bishops, the aim is for the rosary to be prayed around the entire coast of the British Isles. We will implore Our Blessed Lady to arouse a great renewal of the catholic faith in our land. If you wish to take part we will be gathering at 2.30pm close to Eastham Ferry Pub. (There is a parking charge of £1 for two hours) All are welcome.

**SPUC:** To commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the abortion act coming into force on the 27th April 1968 since when there have been nearly nine million abortions in our country, on Saturday 21st April between 11am and 1pm there will be a Pro Life Chain on Hoole Road in Chester. There is also a special day of pilgrimage and prayer with a National Rosary on the Coast which is on Sunday 29th April at 3pm. There are two local locations, near Morrisons in New Brighton (which will be attended by Bishop Mark) and at Eastham Ferry. All are invited to attend these events. If you need more information, please phone Margaret on 0151 336 2050

**'NightFever':** On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June St Francis' Church in Chester will be launching a 'NightFever' programme. It will start with Mass at 7pm. Adoration will begin at 8pm running through until 10:30pm. 'NightFever' is a fairly new idea and requires a small team of willing volunteers to go out into busy town/city centres inviting passers-by to come into church to light a candle and experience Adoration. There is also the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of reconciliation. 'NightFever' is hugely successful across Europe and the USA. So please do come along to Mass and spend some time in prayer during adoration after. If anyone would like to volunteer/more info please speak to Deacon Tony or contact Ant Hunt on 07714 160 268.

**A41 Churches Together:** A meeting of this Ecumenical Forum was held at Stanley Hall last Tuesday. Unfortunately no parishioners responded to the request to attend and support the clergy in this ministry.

As we move forward into one parish for Ellesmere Port, this and other such ministries / tasks will only be able to be maintained if there is engagement and willing volunteers!! As such we are still looking for a parish volunteer(s) to assist the clergy in regular engagement with

this forum. If you are interested please speak with Fr Louis or Deacon Tony

### PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL EVENTS

**Chester Catholic High School - Parents Association Dance Night:** hosted by the Parents Association and featuring the school's swing band, The City Jazz Orchestra and Singers. The event raises money for the Parents Association and is always great fun. The PA Dance Night will be on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April, doors open at 7.30pm with the band on stage from 8pm. There is no charge for entry, but we do ask for a donation on the door. There will be a raffle and a bar.

**Month of May-First Saturday Devotions: All Saints Franciscan Church in Manchester:** On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May transport will leave from St Mary's at 12.30pm, St Saviour's at 12.40pm and Our lady's at 12.45pm. Limited seats are available (Mini-bus) so if you wish to join us please book a seat by calling the parish office at St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels on 0151 327 6158. After Mass we will not be going to the Trafford Centre so should return to Ellesmere Port around 6pm.

**LPA Scotland Trip: MAY 2018:** This trip is now fully booked and ready to go. A pre-departure social gathering will be held at St Mary's (Stanley Hall) on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm. Please come along if you can. All joining us on this trip should either have received a letter or you will find a letter in the respective sacristies. ***Departure Details: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May: 7.00 am From St Mary of the Angels and 7.15am from St Saviour's***

**BBQ, Music & Song Night at ST Mary of the Angels:** On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 'Craig & Anthony' will once again provide a concert in support of our Lourdes Youth Ministry. No charge or tickets, donations can be made on entry and all proceeds will go to the Lourdes Youth Fund. The evening includes BBQ food and light refreshments. (No bar so please bring your own bottle of choice) **All are welcome**

**A Night at the Proms – A Date for Your Diary:** Flat Pack Music will be presenting 'A Night at the Proms' on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 7.30pm at Our Lady's Church. Tickets will cost £10 and will be available to buy soon. Part of the tickets sales will go to the SVP.

**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

**St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish Luncheon Club:** Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 26th April from 12 until 2pm. All are welcome for some conversation, company and refreshments.

**LPA Junior Youth Club: Please note (Summer venue) –** we will now meet again at St Mary's (Stanley Hall) on Thursday 26th April from 6pm until 7.30pm. This group is open to **all of our children** of primary school age, year 3 and over!

**St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish First Holy Communion Dates:** St Saviour's children will receive their First Holy Communion during the 11am Sunday Mass on 13<sup>th</sup> May St Mary of the Angels children will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 10am Mass in St Mary's church. Please keep the children, their families and school staff in your prayers.

**St Saviour & St Mary of the Angel Parish Formation Team:** Thanks to all who attended the important meetings held last week to discuss progress across our parish and the early stages of forming our new Missionary Parish of Ellesmere Port. **An open general parish meeting will be announced soon in order to provide the opportunity for updates and conversation**

**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.

**Work at Our Lady's Church:** Work is now well underway at Our Lady's

Church to the Sacristy & Confessional. This will involve some disruption, but we are able to keep using the Church during this period. During this time, as the Confessional is out of action, Confessions are taking place in the 'Lady Chapel'. There is a Kneeler for those who wish to make an 'Anonymous' Confession, and a chair for those who wish to sit face to face. Music will be played through the loudspeakers to help protect privacy, and may we please ask that you keep respectful distance, and do not use the Candle Stands during this time.

**First Sacraments Preparation Group for Children in Non Catholic Schools:** This Group has now started to meet in Our Lady's Parish Centre. Please contact the LPA Office for more information.

**SVP Mass for the Sick:** 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.

**Lourdes Volunteers Compulsory Training:** Please note that if you are joining this year's Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage as a volunteer you must attend a training session. The nearest organised session for our parish is this **Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup> April) 6.30 to 8.30pm at St Columba's Parish Centre, Plas Newton Lane, Chester.**

**Justice & Peace Group Meeting:** The group will be meeting next Sunday evening (22<sup>nd</sup> April) at 6.30pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre. We will be discussing events and meetings taking place during the coming months. Please come along and join the meeting to help in the promotion of social justice in our church community.

**Traidcraft Stall:** The Traidcraft stall will be open after Mass this weekend, at St. Saviour's 21-22nd April and St. Bernard's on 29th April. Please support the Fairtrade movement which helps so many small farmers and their communities in the developing world. Here in the Catholic parishes of Ellesmere Port and Hooton we now use Fairtrade wine from South Africa for our Communion wine.

**Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote Winners– 15<sup>th</sup> April:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £50.00  
No. 40 P Llowarch  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £30.00

No. 179 M Henessy

**Awaiting Collection**

No. 29 T McNay

No. 133 Josie Flanagan