

**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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**2<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 – First Sunday of Advent Yr C**

**Sat: Vigil of First Sunday of Advent**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Elizabeth McDonald Anniv.  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Jordan Lehay

**Sun: 2<sup>nd</sup> December – First Sunday of Advent**

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners  
St Saviour's 11.00am Beryl Flynn RIP  
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners  
Our Lady's 11.00am Christopher Green

**Mon: 3<sup>rd</sup> December – St Francis Xavier**

St Saviour's 8.30am Morning Prayer  
9.15am Denis O'Neill Anniv  
Our Lady's 9.15am Cash Family Intention

**Tue: 4<sup>th</sup> December**

St Mary's 9.15am In Church –The Stanley Family

**Wed: 5<sup>th</sup> December**

EPCHS 8.45am School Intention  
St Saviour's 9.15am Patrick Aherne  
Our Lady's 12.30pm Funeral Mass for  
Delia Fullerton

**Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> December**

St Saviour's 9.30am In School – Mike Boden

**Fri: 7<sup>th</sup> December – St Ambrose**

Our Lady's 8.30am Joni Bather  
St Mary's 8.30am Morning Prayer  
9.15am Fr Ron McGivern  
St Saviour's 10.30am Funeral Service for Peter Guest

**Sat: 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**The Immaculate Conception of the BVM**

St Mary's 11.00am Fr Louis' Intention  
Our Lady's 12.noon Maurice Scully

**Sat: Vigil of Second Sunday of Advent**

St Saviour's 5.00pm Mary Teresa, Patrick &  
Tony Clarke & Thomas Morgan  
Our Lady's 6.30pm Patricia, Alice, Bernard McCabe

**Sun: 9<sup>th</sup> December – Second Sunday of Advent**

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners  
St Saviour's 11.00am Sally Gilmour  
St Bernard's 9.00am Jim Edwards  
Our Lady's 11.00am Parishioners

**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  
Holy Hour Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December 10.00am  
**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 all the newly baptised as they begin their journey of faith together.

**WEDDING**

We pray for Victoria Marsden & Samuel Leigh married at St Mary's last week and 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 Delia Fullerton, Mary Ellen White, Stanley Omar, Thomas McDonald, Stanley Schumacker 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

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

**Thomas McDonald**– Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 11.00am on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Stanley Schumacker** – Funeral Service will take place at Our Lady's at 12.45pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Day of Eucharistic Adoration, Our Lady's Church, this coming Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December:** A Day of Eucharistic Adoration for Advent has been arranged at Our Lady's Church this coming Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> December from 10.00am to 4.30pm, concluding with Evening Prayer. There will be a Mass at 8.30am that morning, but not at 12.00pm as Father Niall has to be away at a meeting. There are lists for people to cover 'slots' that day in our Churches; do please sign to cover a slot if you feel you can.

**Ellesmere Port & Hooton Joint Pastoral Consultation Group:** This weekend we have available the minutes of the meeting in October. As we have said previously, during these next few weeks we are getting in touch with people to act as 'contacts' for our various groups and bodies to act as links. When we have had brief meetings with these people we will get the larger group together again to keep things moving forward. We'll keep you posted.

**Season of Advent:** This weekend we start the Season of Advent and a new Church Year. Hopefully, information will be available on our Parishes Website this weekend on: [www.rcchep.co.uk](http://www.rcchep.co.uk) This will list our Advent and Christmas Services.

**LPA, SVP Youth/ Altar Servers Conference:** The Youth Conference will meet this coming Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 4.15pm to 5.00pm, in Our Lady's Parish Centre. New members are always welcome from 10 years of age plus. For further information contact Chris Duke 355 6954.

**Family Masses:** 'Family Masses' are Sunday Masses where our children and young people take an additional part in the Liturgy, for example with prayers, reflections, presentations and music. Our

Schools help us with these celebrations as ways to encourage greater involvement in our wider faith families.

The next Family Mass at Our Lady's will be:

Next Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> December at 11.00am with EPCHS.

**Adoremus Revisited:** By popular demand, there are **two possibilities to revisit Bishop Robert Barron's first talk on the Mass.** Open to everyone, all Catechists are invited to attend. **Venues:** **In the West:** St Anne's, Rock Ferry. Sat 8 Dec. Starts 09:15; ends with 12:15 Mass. **In the South:** Shrewsbury Parish Hall. **NB:** Sat 19 Jan 2019. Starts with 9:30 Mass; ends 12:30. Information and Registration [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/registration](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/registration)

## PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL EVENTS

**Parish get together during Advent:** During advent we have an opportunity to gather as a parish community and watch films on aspects Our Lady's life – the woman who said 'YES' to God. The first film will be shown this Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December starting at 7.00pm in St Mary's Stanley Hall. Please join us.

**Christmas Concert – Tickets Now on Sale:** Flat Pack Music presents a 'Yuletide Jubilations' Concert at Our Lady's Church this coming Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 and refreshments are included. Get into the festive spirit as Flat Pack Music perform a two hour spectacular of Christmas Music and Operatic Favourites. Tickets are on sale after weekend Masses and can also be purchased from the LPA Office. Ticket sales to go towards raising funds for the SVP Holiday Home in Talacre Woods.

**SVP Youth/ Altar Servers Christmas Sing-along** The altar servers / youth conference, are going to raise funds to go to Lourdes next October, with the Guild of St Stephen. Liverpool Archdiocese. They have been rehearsing some Christmas songs, and will perform them next Sunday 9/12/18 in Our Lady's parish

centre after 11.00 am Mass, and in St Bernard's after 9.00 am Mass on Sunday 16/12/18. Your support would be greatly accepted.

**LPA Christmas Day Dinner 2018:** This will take place again this year as usual at Stanley Hall, (St Mary of the Angels) from 2pm on Christmas Day. If you wish to join us or offer any support please contact the office at St Mary of the Angels on 0151 327 6158 or speak with Deacon Tony. All are welcome

**Possible LPA Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland: MAY 2020:** We have been offered a pilgrimage to Knock in May 2020 the cost will be in the region of £600. This will include transport to and from the departure & arrival airports, return flights to Knock Airport. Four night's full board in the Knock House Hotel, organised liturgies, coach transport for excursions, dedicated pilgrimage guide and hotel entertainment. If we have sufficient interest in this pilgrimage we will go ahead and book. If you are interested in joining this pilgrimage please contact the office at St Mary of the Angels on 0151 327 6158. All are welcome to join us.

## PARISH NEWS

**St Saviour's & St Mary's Primary School Masses** Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am: Advent Service in School (Please note Mass will be in church) Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December: 9.30am in St Saviour's Primary School.

**Faith and a Brew at St Mary of the Angels School:** This will take place in the Community Room on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September from 2.15pm. Members of the school & parish community are invited to come along to join Fr Louis & Deacon Tony for a chat about faith, football or whatever you wish. Coffee, tea & biscuits will be available. **All are welcome, please come along** We will be announcing a date soon for 'Faith & A Brew' sessions at other Primary Schools in our Pastoral Area.

**LPA Junior Youth Club – Meeting at St Saviour's:** The next meeting will be held at St Saviour's Church Hall, on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 6pm until 7.30 pm. This group is open to **all of our children** of primary school age Year 3 and over. **PLEASE NOTE THE**

## **CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THE WINTER MONTHS**

**Tea & Coffee at St Saviour's & St Mary of the Angels:** Many thanks to all who regularly prepare and serve refreshments after our weekend Masses. If you don't normally stay behind, *please consider popping in and spending some social time with your parish family.*

**Tea & Coffee at Our Lady & St Bernard's:** Just a reminder that Tea & Coffee is now back after the 6.30pm Saturday Vigil Mass and 11.00am Sunday Mass at Our Lady's in the Parish Centre and still continues in the lounge area at St Bernard's after the 9.00am Sunday Mass. Do please feel free to call in.

### **Luncheon Clubs:**

**In Our Lady's Parish Centre** this coming Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December at 11.30am, and this coming Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm.

**St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels' Parish Luncheon Club** Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December from 12 Noon until 2pm. All are welcome for some conversation, company and refreshments.

### **St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels parish Needlework Group Christmas Sale:-THANKS:**

Thanks to all who supported this recent sale at St Saviour's & St Mary of the Angel's As we know the Group work hard all year and once again their ministry has raised the **fantastic total of £700.00** which is donated to support the great work of our parish SVP.

**Morning Prayer:** We will be meeting for Morning Prayer during Advent on: Mondays 8.30am at St Saviour's and Fridays 8.30am at St Mary's. All are welcome to attend.

### **Ellesmere Port & Hooton Parishes J&P Group:**

The last of the Autumn CAFOD quizzes took place on Friday 23rd November and was again well supported. A cheque for nearly £700 raised at the autumn quizzes was presented to Toni Woodhead and Bridget Fenwick, our Diocesan CAFOD team. This will go towards the Connect2 Ethiopia project in Sebeya Village which we have been supporting for the last five years. Another cheque for £600 for the Connect2 project was presented by Paul Concannon, a regular attender at the quizzes. This money had been raised by the Catenians and, as this year's president, Paul chose CAFOD as the beneficiary.

We are very grateful for the Catenians' generous donation to CAFOD.

**CAFOD'S new Director.** It has just been announced that Christine Allen has been appointed to replace Chris Bain who will be retiring next March. Christine has been the Liverpool Archdiocese J&P fieldworker and is currently working in a senior position at Christian Aid. She will bring much experience into her new role at CAFOD.

**Christmas Cards for Catholic parishes in Palestine and Israel:** In the next few weeks Christmas cards will be available for signing after Mass. This is a project we have been involved in for a number of years and hopefully it is an opportunity to bring some good wishes to church communities in a part of the world that is facing much conflict and disruption.

### **St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels**

**Food Bank- APPEAL:** Many thanks to our parish SVP and all who continue to support our parish foodbank. Recently we have been able to provide ongoing support for a number of families from our schools & parish. As winter and Christmas approaches demand for support is likely to increase. As such we would be grateful for any food donations to support the foodbank ministry. Non-perishable goods can be delivered to St Mary's Presbytery or left in the church porches.

### **Emergency Services Carol Service**

**2018:** This annual Carol Service will take place at Chester Cathedral on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. Deacon Tony as Chaplain to the Cheshire Police extends an invitation to join him at the cathedral for this service.

### **St Saviour & St Mary's 'Our Mission Together' (OMT) Project-**

**Parish Minibus Update:** Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support of OMT, which is a five year project. The proposition for a Parish Minibus was approved by the OMT Stewardship Committee last September. Since then Father Louis has been working with the OMT Stewardship Committee to obtain a suitable Minibus at the best possible overall value. The procedure for release of funds for Parish Projects follows a set procedure that seeks

fairness for all; the OMT Stewardship Committee is taking this project forward, and we ask people's understanding as this cannot always take place as quickly as we might wish. We will continue to keep you posted.

### **Funeral Plans Regarding Order of Service at St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels Parish:**

We know that this is a very sensitive matter and that few of us like to talk about it. However, in order to ensure that your wishes are followed concerning your funeral service, Fr Louis & Deacon Tony strongly advise that you clearly record your thoughts and instructions. In order to assist in this, a document is now available to you from the parish. You are invited to take a document home and when it is completed return it to the parish where it will be stored securely. There is recorded on this document the option of making an appointment with Fr Louis or Deacon Tony if you wish to discuss the matter. Please do take one of these documents with you from church.

### **Request for Transport to Mass:**

We have had a request from Rivacre House where one of our elderly parishioners is asking for support with transport to 11am Mass on Sunday's at St Saviour's Church. If you are able to assist with this specific request or are generally willing to offer transport, please contact the office at St Mary of the Angels on 0151 327 6158.

### **SVP December Collection:**

the SVP collection for the month of December will be in aid of the Sudan Baby Appeal.

### **Our Lady & St Bernard's Christmas**

**Fayre thanks:** Thank you to all who were involved in the preparation & running of the Christmas Fayre, and for all who came along & took part. We will be able to give you an idea next week how things went.

### **Movie Afternoon at Our Lady's**

**Parish Centre:** There will be no movie afternoon in December. Movie afternoon will resume again the first Thursday in January as normal.

### **Our Lady's Christmas Goods - Now on Sale:**

The Piety Shop is now stocked up with Christmas cards, Christmas Candles etc. Please pop in and have a browse around.

**Our Lady & St Bernard Parish Tote -**

**Winners– 25<sup>th</sup> November:**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £50.00

No.26, A. O'Driscoll

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £30.00

No.70, P. Thompson

**Awaiting Collection**

No.151, A. Morgan