

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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9th December 2018 – Second Sunday of Advent Year C

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: 9th 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

Mon: 10th December

St Saviour's 9.15am Baby George
Our Lady's 9.15am Jack Fitzpatrick

Tue: 11th December

St Mary's 9.15am In Church – Smith Family
Our Lady's 9.15am Annie, Charlie & Liam Barr

Wed: 12th December

Our Lady's 8.30am Clary Rice
EPCHS 8.45am School Intention
St Saviour's 7.00pm Jean Barton

Thurs 13th December – St Lucy

St Saviour's 9.30am In School –
Friends of Williams Family
Our Lady's 11.00am Funeral Mass for
Thomas McDonald

Fri: 14th December – St John of the Cross

St Mary's 9.15am Josephine McDonnell
Our Lady's 2.00pm Wedding Service for
Rosaleen Gallagher & Patrick McGinley

Sat: 15th December

Our Lady's 12.00pm Priest's Intention
St Mary's 1.00pm Wedding Mass –
Lynzi Hambleton & Christopher Turton

Sat: Vigil of Third Sunday of Advent

St Saviour's 5.00pm Bridget & Thomas Harris
Our Lady's 6.30pm Mandy Burke

Sun: 16th December – Third Sunday of Advent

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners
St Saviour's 11.00am Patrick & Mary Reville
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners
Our Lady's 11.00am Dominik Sarota

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 Wed 12th December 6.00pm
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 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 Teresa McGuire, Delia Fullerton, Annie Reilly, Peter Boyd, Francis Devlin, Tommy 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



Christmas Times of Mass
Christmas 2018: Mass Times:

Christmas Eve: Monday,
24th December & Christmas Day,
Tuesday, 25th December

St Saviour & St Mary's

Vigil Masses, Christmas Eve

St Saviour's: Carols from 4.30pm
and Family Vigil Mass at 5.00pm

St Mary of the Angels: Carols from
8.30pm and Vigil Mass at 9.00pm

Christmas Day

St Mary's: Mass at 9.00am

St Saviour's: Mass at 11.00am

Our Lady & St Bernard's

All Masses at Our Lady's Church

Vigil Masses, Christmas Eve

Vigil Mass of Christmas at 6.00pm

Vigil Mass of Christmas at 9.00pm

(No Mass at 12.midnight)

Christmas Day

Christmas Day Mass at 11.00am



LOCAL & DIOCESAN NEWS

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

Peter Boyd – Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady's at 12.noon on Monday 17th December

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

Season of Advent: We have now begun our Season of Advent and a new Church Year. Information is available on our Parishes Website: www.rcchep.co.uk

Advent Film Nights at St Mary of the Angels: Please note that due to other commitments the Advent Film night for this week will be on Monday 10th

December at 7.00pm and NOT Tuesday evening.

Advent Penance Services: There will be two opportunities for Penance Services with Individual Confessions in our area. The first will be:

This coming Tuesday, 11th December, 7.00pm at St Saviour's Church

The second will be:

Thursday, 20th December, 7.00pm at Our Lady's Church.

Diocesan Seminarians and

Ordinations: This Saturday (8th December) Bishop Mark has ordained to the Diaconate Robert Dykes and Owen Gallagher at Oscott College in Birmingham. They will be ordained to the Priesthood for our Diocese next spring. Robert Dykes did a placement in our LPA a few years back. In January we will welcome Alec Davy to our LPA, based at Our Lady & St Bernard Parish for a short placement; Alec is in his first year at Oscott College training for the Priesthood. David Redfield, the former Anglican Priest, now a Catholic, who did a placement with us here in our LPA last year, is now on the part time course at Oscott College to become a Catholic Priest for our Diocese and also Tony Nuttall from St Saviour & St Mary Parish is also on a part time course at Oscott preparing to serve as a Deacon with us here. Please keep all preparing for the Ministry in your prayers.

Ellesmere Port & Hooton Joint

Pastoral Consultation Group: Due to all that has been happening lately our Pastoral Plans have been slightly on the 'back burner'. Hopefully, we will get some plans going very soon. Thank you for your understanding as we have said before, thing cannot always happen as quickly as we might wish.

LPA, SVP Youth/ Altar Servers

Conference: The Youth Conference will meet this coming Monday 10th 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.

PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL
EVENTS

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 this Sunday 9/12/18 in Our Lady's Parish Centre after 11.00am 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

New Year's Eve Charity Irish Night

Dance: the Charity Night is in aid of Alder Hey Hospital and will take place at the Whitby Sports and Social Club on Monday 31st December starting at 8.00pm. There will be live music from Annie Mc. Tickets cost £10.00 and can be purchased by calling Ann on 07975 898505.

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

Car Park Extension at St Mary of the

Angels: As many of you will have noticed, the extension to our car park is well underway. This will be completed within a couple of weeks and should be a great assistance to the parish for many years to come in providing more safe and off-road parking for parishioners and visitors to the church.

St Saviour's & St Mary's Primary School Masses Thursday, 6th December: 9.30am in St Saviour's Primary School. Please note that a full school Mass will also take place in the hall at St Saviour's School on Thursday, 20th December. Also, St Saviour's Primary – year 4, 5 & 6 Christmas Concert in school on Friday, 14th December starting at 10.00am followed by Traidcraft Coffee morning. All are welcome. St Mary's Junior Carol Concert in school: Tuesday 18th December at 9.15am – All are welcome to attend.

Faith and a Brew at St Mary of the Angels School: This will take place in the Community Room on Tuesday 11th December 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 & Christmas Party – Meeting at St Saviour's: The next meeting will be held at St Saviour's Church Hall, on Thursday 20th 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, 11th December at 11.30am, and this coming Friday, 14th December at 12.30pm. The final Luncheon Club for 2018 will be on Tuesday 18th December at 11.30am. Following the Christmas break

the Luncheon Club will resume again on Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 11.30am.

St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels' Parish Luncheon Club Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 20th 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.

CAFOD Fast Day Collection –

Thank you: A total of £2464.67 has been sent to CAFOD from our LPA. Many thanks for your generous support.

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.

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.

Christmas Fayre Wind up Meeting:

will take place this Wednesday 12th December at 7pm in the parish centre. After a very successful Christmas Fayre, all who helped or would like to help next year are invited to come, as the planning for next year takes place. New ideas are always welcome. A big 'Thank You' to all who supported this year's Christmas Fayre so far we have banked over £3,100.

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- 2nd December:

1st Prize, £50.00
No.33, C Bamber
2nd Prize, £30.00
No.163, M White