

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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13th January 2019 – The Baptism of the Lord - Year C

Sat: Vigil of the Baptism of the Lord

St Saviour's 5.00pm Jordan Lahaye
Our Lady's 6.30pm John & Kath Edwards' Int.

Sun: 13th January – The Baptism of the Lord

St Mary's 9.00am Parishioners
St Saviour's 11.00am Spec. Int. Chris Fernandes
St Bernard's 9.00am Pat & Nora Grant Intention
Our Lady's 11.00am Parishioners

Mon: 14th January

St Saviour's 9.15am Barbara Forshaw RIP
Our Lady's 9.15am John McCaffrey

Tuesday: 15th January

St Mary's 9.15am Joseph Vickers
Our Lady's 12.noon Bridget Kerry

Wed: 16th January

EPCHS 8.45am School Intention
Our Lady's 10.30am Funeral Mass for Peter Reck
St Saviour's 7.00pm Patricia Jones

Thu: 17th January – St Anthony of Egypt

St Saviour's 9.30am In School – Gordon Davies
Our Lady's 9.15am Vilma Lommano

Fri: 18th January

St Mary's 9.15am Joe Bennion
Our Lady's 12.noon Winnie Hogan

Sat: 19th January

St Mary's 11.00am Father Louis' Intention
Our Lady's 12.noon Priest's Intention

Sat: Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Saviour's 5.00pm The Powell Family
Our Lady's 6.30pm Ann Newsome

Sun: 20th January

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Mary's 9.00am Maria Calandrella
St Saviour's 11.00am Parishioners
St Bernard's 9.00am Parishioners
Our Lady's 11.00am Roy Sharples

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 16th January, 6.00pm
St Mary's 8.30am Adoration prior to
9.15am weekday Masses
Holy Hour 10.00am, Saturday, 19th January
Our Lady's 11.00am to 11.45am Fridays
(Except when there is a Funeral that day)

ROSARY & NOVENA

St Saviour's Wednesday, 7.30pm

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 Ann Coll, Barbara Forshaw, Paula Marshall, Roy Baker, Peter Reck, John Burke 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.

John Burke – Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady’s Church at 1.00pm on Wednesday, 23rd January

Paula Marshall – Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady’s Church at 10.00am on Thursday, 24th January

LPA Christmas Day Dinner 2018

Thanks: Took place again this year at Stanley Hall (St Mary of the Angels) and a very good day was had by all who attend whilst others at home were supported by ‘Meals on Wheels’ deliveries. Many thanks to all who supported the events with donations or being present to cook, clean, offer hospitality and transport, or by joining us for lunch on the day.

Crib Offerings: These go to ‘Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury’ what was formerly called ‘The Catholic Children’s Society’

Diocesan Seminarians: Just before Christmas Bishop Mark 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 summer. Robert Dykes did a placement in our LPA a few years back. Last week we welcomed Alec Davey to our LPA, staying 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:

As we mentioned before Christmas, due to all that has been happening lately our Pastoral Plans have been slightly on the ‘back burner’.

Before we get the larger group back together we will hold brief meetings with small groups to serve as representatives for the LPA:

1. Spirituality & Mission
2. Catechists
3. Safeguarding
4. Justice & Peace
5. School Liaison
6. Youth Mission
7. Ministries (Readers, Eucharistic Ministers Etc.)
8. Ecumenical Liaison
9. Social Activities Liaison
10. SVP & local Ministry Contact
11. Communications Link

Whilst we have some people already involved and ready to help, with some areas however we need people to help with:

1. Spirituality & Mission; we have people from Our Lady & St Bernard Parish, but would anyone from St Saviour & St Mary be interested in helping?
8. Ecumenical Liaison; would any from across our area be interested in working as a link with the Town Centre & A41 Christian Churches?

11. Someone or some people to help us to act as ‘Communications’ link(s)

If anyone would be interested in representing or taking part in any of the areas where we are in need of help mentioned above, do please get in touch with Father Niall.

Eventually we would work toward a joint Finance Committee, but that will come a

little later in the process. Thank you for your understanding, for as we have said before, things cannot always happen as quickly as we might wish.

Shrewsbury Diocesan Year

Books: Our Diocese of Shrewsbury 2019 Year Books are now available in our Churches; they cost £5-00 standard and £6-00 Ringbound and contain information about the parishes and structures in our Diocese.

New LPA 2019 Diaries, Calendars & Family Prayer

Cards: We still have available across our Churches, some new LPA Diaries and Calendars for 2019. Also this year we have some ‘Family Prayer Cards’ available. We would rather they went, but if we could suggest an offering of say, £2 for a Calendar or for a Prayer Card, and whatever you might wish for a diary. This will help us offset any costs involved. The Calendars and Diaries contain local information and Mass Times etc.

PILGRIMAGES TRIPS & SOCIAL EVENTS

Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast at St Mary’s, all are welcome:

Morning Prayer will take place in St Mary’s Church at 10.30am on Tuesday, 22nd January, followed by refreshments in Stanley Hall. It would be great to have as many Parishioners as possible present to represent the Parish. Join us in prayer and also for Refreshments. Please come along.

LPA Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland May 2020 now cancelled:

Sadly this proposed Pilgrimage to Knock did not attract sufficient interest to make it possible to progress with a booking. As such, this Trip is now cancelled and will not be taking place. As always we give consideration to other possible

Trips and further information will be available in due course. All are welcome to join us.

PARISH NEWS

SVP Youth and Altar Servers

Sponsored Walk: For those who sponsored the Youth SVP/Altar Servers Sponsored Walk the other week they will be collecting the remainder of the sponsorship on the weekends of 12th/13th and 19th/20th January. Chris Duke writes "We had a nice walk, and all enjoyed it. Thank you all for your generous support".

Ellesmere Port & Hooton Churches Justice & Peace Group:

The next meeting of the J&P Group will be this Sunday 13th January at 6.30pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre. We will be reviewing last year's activities and planning for the coming year. All are welcome to join us for the meeting to see how social justice issues touch upon all our lives.

CAFOD Quiz:

The first CAFOD quiz of 2019 will take place on Friday 18th January at 7.30pm in Our Lady's Parish Centre following last year's successful series. Our quizmaster will be Mike Ives and the format will be the same, with Fairtrade tea and coffee and the raffle draw at the interval. The entrance fee is £3 for adults and £1 for children. All money raised will go towards CAFOD's Connect2 project in Columbia. You are welcome to take part in the quiz with your own team or by joining one of the teams on the night.

Special thanks!:

A big thank you to those who come to Tea & Coffee after both Masses at Our Lady's, and for your contributions. Also many thanks to all at Our Lady's & St Bernard's Churches who contributed to the 'Trees of Light' in November. As a result of all these donations we have been able to send off £300-00

to the Alzheimer's Society. We were asked to specially thank you all for your support, which has made a big difference.

LPA Junior Youth Club 2019 –

Meeting at St Saviour's: The next meeting of 2019 will be held at St Saviour's Church Hall on Thursday, 24th January 2019, from 6.00pm until 7.30pm. This group is open to **all of our children** of primary school age Year 3 and over.

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 Tuesday, 15th January, and Friday, 18th January at 11.30am.

St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels' Parish Luncheon Club

Will meet again at St Saviour's on Thursday 24th January from 12 Noon until 2pm. All are welcome for some conversation, company and refreshments.

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 is upon us 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' Project –

Parish Minibus: Good progress has now been made in identifying a suitable vehicle and the diocese have been very helpful in this matter. We should have more detailed information to share with you very soon.

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.

Requests for Transport to Mass:

Recently we have had a number of requests from Parishioners asking support with transport to weekend Masses. If you are able to assist with this these requests or are generally willing to offer transport, please contact the office at St Mary of the Angels on 0151 327 6158.

Our Lady & St Bernard Parish

Tote - Winners- 6th January:

1st Prize, £50.00

No. 56, C. Duke

2nd Prize, £30.00

No. 25, M. Andrew

Awaiting Collection:

No.157, K. Thompson