



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

# St Agnes Church

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**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022**

**Third Sunday of Easter** (Gospel: John 21:1-19)

WEEK COMMENCING 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> April: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	John and Shenna Scott (RIP)
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Timothy Colm O'Toole (Anniversary)
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Peace and Justice for Ukraine
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Patricia Collins-Morgan
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> May: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Mrs Hilda Sheerin (RIP)
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Madden Family

**PLEASE PRAY** for all who have died recently and their families especially Patricia Gillbanks, Fr Robin Sutton and Eileen Webster.

**PLEASE** remember in your prayers all those who are sick.

**ONLINE MASS** via Zoom is on **Sunday at 9am:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524>

**FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION:** Today's passage from John 21 marks a further step in the development of Easter faith. Some of the disciples are at work at their old profession of fishing in the Sea of Galilee. Then some surprising things begin to happen quickly. First they come to recognize the risen Jesus on the shore. When Peter hears, "It is the Lord," he jumps into the water. Then the disciples share a meal with him. Finally the risen Jesus confirms Peter in his pastoral mission, "Feed my lambs." There is an interesting correlation between what happens to the disciples and what happens to us in the Christian life. Just as Peter recognises the risen Lord and leaps into the waters, so Christians profess their faith in the risen Jesus and are baptized in water and the Spirit. Just as the first disciples share a meal with the risen Jesus, so we share in the Eucharist on a regular basis with him. And just as the risen Jesus commissions Peter to undertake a pastoral mission on his behalf, so the natural consequence of baptism and the Eucharist is to share ourselves and our faith with others.

**MISSIO THANKSGIVING MASS:** A Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Mark Davies, to thank God for all those who are praying and supporting the Red Boxes and the work of Missio, will be celebrated at St Michael and All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE on Wednesday 11th May at 7pm. All are welcome including Missio Secretaries, Benefactors, Red Box holders and anyone interested in the mission of the Church.

**A TAIZE CANDLELIT PRAYER SERVICE** will take place once a month at St Catherine's following the lovely feedback from the Taize services during Lent. The next date is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage Website [www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk) or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4UX.

**PRAY IN MAY WITH MARY'S MEALS:** In this month dedicated to Our Lady, Mary's Meals ([www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)) invite you to join in prayer for the work of Mary's Meals, a mission carried out in Our Lady's name to feed children a daily school meal in some of the world's poorest communities. This meal brings children into the classroom where they can get an education, offering hope of a better future. Their work began with prayer, and prayer has sustained their rapid growth - from feeding 200 children in 2002 to feeding over 2.2 million children today. Please join them in praying for:

- all the children who receive Mary's Meals
- all those who have grown up eating Mary's Meals and gone out into the world as adults
- all the children still waiting for Mary's meals, that we will be able to reach them soon.

**PARENTS AND TOTS PLAYGROUP** at St Catherine's is on every Friday afternoon at 1.30pm-3pm in term time. Children age 0-4 and their parents/carers are very welcome. Entrance is through the Annexe school site.



**Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week?** Please email Phoebe in the Parish Office. ([stagneswestkirby@gmail.com](mailto:stagneswestkirby@gmail.com)).