



ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH
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Sunday 24th July 2022: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13)

Sunday 31st July 2022: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gospel: Luke 12: 13-21)

WEEK COMMENCING 24 July 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 23 rd July: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Joan Jones (RIP)
Sunday 24 th July: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Mary, Susan and Peter Helsby
Sunday 24 th July: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Vicky, Mark and Baby Welsh
Monday 25 th July: 10.30am	Requiem Mass for Barbara Scott	St Agnes	~
Tuesday 26 th July: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Pat and John O'Hanlon
Wednesday 27 th July: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Louis Smith KSG
Thursday 28 th July: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Sr Frances Pollard (RIP)
Friday 29 th July: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Deceased priests of St Agnes & St Catherine's
Saturday 30 th July: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Constantine Family
Sunday 31 st July: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Kathleen O'Keeffe (anniversary)
Sunday 31 st July: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Monday 1 st August: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Margaret Hawes (RIP)
Tuesday 2 nd August: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Margie Elmer and McWatt family intentions
Wednesday 3 rd August: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Louis Smith KSG
Thursday 4 th August: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Gerard Shawcross (RIP)
Friday 5 th August: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Saturday 6 th August: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Sunday 7 th August: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Gerald Brear
Sunday 7 th August: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Anne & David Potts (60th wedding anniversary)

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families including Pat O'Hanlon.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially John Butler and Ronald Lewis.

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

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: 17th Sunday: In our Sunday Gospel, Jesus tells us what to pray for, how to pray and why we should pray. Luke's notice that Jesus was at prayer, indicates the importance of what follows. In response to his disciples' request, Jesus gives them and us a sample prayer. It is what we call the "Our Father." Jesus teaches us first of all to address God as a loving father. Next, he prays for the full coming of God's kingdom and for the time when all creation will acknowledge and celebrate the holiness of God. Then he teaches us to ask the Father for sustenance in our everyday life, for forgiveness of our sins (provided we forgive others) and for protection during the trials or tests accompanying the full manifestation of God's kingdom. Having shown us what to pray for, Jesus then teaches us how to pray – with persistence and boldness. The point of the parable is the idea that if we are persistent and bold enough in prayer God will eventually give into our petitions. And Jesus's own repeated insistence on the almost automatic efficacy of the prayer petition ("ask and you will receive") further encourages persistence and boldness in prayer. The best reason why we should pray is that God wants to answer our prayers. And God wants to give us the greatest gift of all, the Holy Spirit.

Ss Catherine and Martina, Hoylake

18th Sunday: For some people the pursuit of wealth and possessions seems to function as a kind of religious substitute. The Gospel teaches that we should not make material possessions into a god, that life is fragile and ultimately in God's hands and that we need to sort out what is really important and lasting before it is too late. To illustrate this point, Jesus presents the parable of the rich fool. The rich man had a very good harvest. Instead of enjoying the fruits of his harvest, however, the rich man put all his thoughts and energy into planning for building even larger barns to hold the abundant harvest. But the new barns never get built, because the man dies suddenly. Instead, the fruits of his labours are passed on to someone else, and he finds no enjoyment in them. In the divine judgement he is called "Fool!" The parable reminds us that we never know when death may come to us, that we cannot place our ultimate trust in money and material possessions because they too are fragile and that in our life we must not let material possessions become more important than fulfilling our commitment to God, ourselves and other persons. Otherwise, we too may merit the summons, "Fool!"

ADORATION is every Wednesday 7pm-8pm at St Catherine's.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY is not on over the summer holidays. Please take a Look sheet from the back of church each week during the summer.

WIRRAL AGE UK 'TECHY TEA' MORNING TUESDAY 2nd AUGUST 10am-12noon: Would you like some help with your electronic devices (tablet / smart phone / laptop)? Wondered how to use Whatsapp, make a video call or make a doctor's appointment (e-consult) using your device? Well, bring it to our 'Techy Tea' morning on Tuesday 2nd August. Members of the Wirral AGE UK IT team will be on hand to guide you and help you make the most of your technology equipment. We will be serving tea, coffee and biscuits, so come along, learn something new and show your family and friends how it's done!

DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE: St Catherine's is taking part in a digital collection plate pilot scheme. If you wish, you will soon be able to use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/ device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. Thank you for your support.

SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE DAY FOR PARISHES: Parishes and parish groups are invited to book a pilgrimage day at the Cathedral. This will include a tour of the Cathedral, Mass at 12.15pm followed by a light lunch provided by the on-site Orchard Café. The cost of the day is £10 per head. A flyer and booking form can be found at the back of church.

MISSION FOR CATECHESIS: Do you wish you knew more about your faith? Would you like to become a catechist? Would you like help to pass on your faith to your children? Shrewsbury Diocese has partnered with the Franciscan Catechetical Institute to bring faith formation courses to every parishioner. It is free of charge and you can sign up at <https://franciscanathome.com/shrewsbury>. Please see the poster at the back of church for more information.



WIRRAL FOODBANK require the following items: tinned meat, biscuits, squash, tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, tinned fish, jam, deodorant, washing up liquid, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste and nappies (size 6). Thank you for your generous donations over the recent months and for your continued support.



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 (stcathoylake@gmail.com).

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