



**ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH**  
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**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gospel: Luke 12:32-48)**  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Gospel: Luke 1:39-56)**

WEEK COMMENCING 7th August 2022		Church	Intentions
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> August: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Gerald Brear
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Anne & David Potts (60th wedding anniversary)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Christine Forsey
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am	Requiem Mass for John Butler	St Catherine's	~
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Joe Kennedy
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Whittle Family
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Louis Smith KSG
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> August: 12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Private Intention
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Tom Singleton (RIP)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> August: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Louis Smith KSG
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	John O'Connell (anniversary)
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention

**PLEASE PRAY** for all those who have died recently and their families including John Butler. John's body will be received into St Catherine's on Tuesday 9th August at 4.30pm. On Wednesday 10th August at 10.30am there will be a Requiem Mass for John at St Catherine's. Following Mass, everyone is invited to gather at St John's Parish Centre in Meols for refreshments to celebrate all that John and Pat did for the churches of St Catherine's and St John's.

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

**WE WELCOME** Jude Javard McManus to our Parish Community following his Baptism on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August.



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

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

Ss Catherine and Martina, Hoylake

**FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: 19th Sunday:** Faith and hope are two of the three theological virtues. They are called theological because they have their origin and goal in God. While theologians make precise distinctions between them, in the Bible they tend to blend together because they take shape in specific human persons like Abraham. Both faith and hope point us toward the fullness of life in God's kingdom. Today's reading from Luke 12 reminds us that God wants to give us the Kingdom of God (the horizon and goal of hope) and offers advice on faithful conduct in the present. The passage is a collection of short parables in which the chief characters are a master and his servants. In the Lukan context the master is the risen Jesus who will come again as the glorious Son of Man and the servants are his followers. According to these master-servant parables, the future coming of the Son of Man is certain, but its precise time is not known. Therefore, the proper attitude for the servants is constant watchfulness. They should not use the master's apparent delay as an excuse for improper behaviour. The hope of the faithful servants is that they will enjoy the fullness of God's kingdom.

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is commemorated on August 15th. According to this church teaching, Mary was taken up to be with her son Jesus at the moment of her death. Her faith and hope were rewarded immediately. The scripture readings emphasise her place in salvation history as the mother of the Messiah, her assumption as the preview of our resurrection and her good example of faith and hope in God's promises. This dogma, promulgated by Pope Pius XII, states that "the Immaculate Mother of God, Mary ever virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven." In this definition no position is taken on the disputed question of whether Mary actually died, nor are any historical details given. Alluding to the bloody world wars of the 20th century and the growth of materialism, the decree deplores how the destruction of life, the desecration of the human body, and moral corruption threaten to obviate our human sense of our God-given identity. By holding forth, the example of Mary, Pope Pius XII intended that "the exalted destiny of our soul and body may in this striking manner be brought clearly to the notice of all persons," with subsequent growth in virtue and care for others.

**ST JOHN'S, MEOLS** holds a weekly Monday café between 11.30am and 1.30pm. As part of our Churches Together community, would anyone be interested in going on their rota to help once a month or every other month? Please contact Phoebe in the Parish Office ([stcathhoylake@gmail.com](mailto:stcathhoylake@gmail.com)) in the first instance.



**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.



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