



NEWS FROM THE PARISHES OF ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY AND ST CATHERINE'S, HOYLAKE

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 18th September – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gospel: Luke 15:16: 1-13)

WEEK COMMENCING 18 th September 2022			Church	Intentions
Saturday 17 th Sept	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Michael Thorpe
Sunday 18 th Sept	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	Martin O'Neill (RIP)
Sunday 18 th Sept	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Pat & Chris McManamon (Golden Wedding Anniversary)
Monday 19 th Sept	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Louis Smith KSG
Tuesday 20 th Sept	12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Jim Forsey
Wednesday 21 st Sept	9.15am	Requiem Mass for John Boyle	St Agnes	~
Wednesday 21 st Sept	7.00pm	Adoration	St Catherine's	~
Thursday 22 nd Sept	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Elizabeth Cole (RIP)
Friday 23 rd Sept	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Peppino Del Re
Saturday 24 th Sept	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Therese Kelly
Sunday 25 th Sept	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Rita Davies
Sunday 25 th Sept	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Birch

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families including Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Tony Breen, John Boyle, John Butler, Richard Littler and Johanna Ryan.

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

WE WELCOME Zach and Rosie Murphy to our Parish Community following their baptisms on Sunday 11th September at St Catherine's.



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

A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II will take place at St John's, Meols on Sunday 18th September at 6pm. All are welcome to attend this ecumenical service.

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION: Luke gives a good deal of attention to money and possessions. In Luke's own community there seems to have been some tension between rich and poor and so he took a special interest in addressing it. If we define spirituality broadly as how we stand before God and relate to others, then money is an inevitable and important aspect of Christian spirituality. Today's parable is traditionally called the parable of the dishonest steward. He is said to have been squandering his employer's resources. The parable concerns the ingenious way that the steward devised to save himself from personal and financial ruin. There are two ways to interpret his plan. In one reading the steward is simply dishonest. He cheats his employer and involves others in his plot, thus setting up the possibility of blackmailing them in the future. In another reading he forgoes his own commission and so sacrifices a short-term gain for long-term security. In either case it appears that the steward's strategy is so clever that even his former employer had to admire it. The point of the parable is that many people in our world display enormous intelligence and energy in financial matters in comparison with the little attention that they pay to the state of their souls. The industry, creativity and tenacity that go into making money and securing one's financial well-being often far outweigh the time and effort given to life's ultimate questions: Who am I? What is my goal? How do I get there?

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY is back after the summer break at St Catherine's and good news....it will re-start at St Agnes next Sunday 25th September!

A FLAME MASS will be taking place on the 18th September at 2.30pm at St Peter's Catholic Church, Noctorum, CH43 9QR followed by refreshments in St Peter's School. FLAME was a local organisation that, over three decades, ran pilgrimages to Lourdes for children and adults with additional needs. The Mass is not only to reconnect and remember those we may have lost over the past few years but also to welcome new faces who might just fancy sharing a wonderful afternoon with guaranteed smiles, laughter and singing that is likely to raise the roof. All are welcome and, if you would like to bang a tambourine, this may just be what you need right now.

WEST KIRBY CHURCHES TOGETHER WALK on Tuesday 20th September, starting at 11.30 from St Michael's Church in Newton with lunch (bring your own), finishing at Riverway opposite the White Lion at 4.15 with tea and cakes. For further information, please see the poster at the back of church or call Marianne Ryan on 625 5158.

SCRENGRABBED TOO, a short film by Oisín Power: Mary Power, a parishioner of St. Agnes, died of breast cancer three years ago. Her son, Oisín Power, made a short, unflinching, film on how she faced her terminal illness and inevitable death. This loving, moving film is scheduled to be shown on BBC 4. *Screengrabbed Too*, on Sunday 18th September at 22.30.

ST ANSELM'S COLLEGE Entrance Examination for Year 6 pupils will be held on Friday 23rd September at the College.

WIRRAL AGE UK TECHY TEA: our next drop in will take place on Thursday 29th September 10am-11.30am at St Catherine's Presbytery. Would you like some help with your electronic devices (tablet / smart phone / laptop)? Bring it along, learn something new with help from the Wirral AGE UK IT team and show your family and friends how it's done!

APF – MILL HILL MISSION THANK YOU AND APPEAL: will take place next weekend at all Masses when we welcome Fr Stephen Giles MHM to our parishes. Thank you to all parishioners who already support this wonderful Association through the Red Boxes. Please see the poster at the back of church for details on how to support Mill Hill.

ST CATHERINE'S LITTLE CATERPILLARS: playgroup is back! Parents, carers and children 0-4 are warmly invited to St Catherine's Parish Centre. Every Friday in termtime 1.30pm-3pm.

HEARING AIDS: Riverway church in West Kirby collect hearing aids which are no longer needed. They refurbish them and take them to a Catholic leprosy hospital in India. They are planning a trip out to India at the end of October. If anyone has any hearing aids and/or batteries to donate, please ring Marianne (St Agnes' representative in Churches Together West Kirby) on 625 5158.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE SCHEME: If anyone could offer a home to a Ukrainian woman and her 15 year old son through the scheme please call Nancy on 07804 125548. They have family already in West Kirby so are keen to be in this area.



WIRRAL FOODBANK HARVEST LIST: tinned vegetables, tinned meat, tinned fruit, tinned soup, pasta sauce, shampoo, washing up liquid, biscuits and rice pudding. Thank you for your continued support.



Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week? Please email St Catherine's (stcathoylake@gmail.com) or St Agnes' (stagneswestkirby@gmail.com).

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