# Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

John Cullen, Margaret Cullen Sean Cullen, Teresa McKenna Mike McLoughlin Ada Waters

May all who sleep in Christ find in your presence light, happiness and peace, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

ALSO THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Sister Charles, Valerie Ashby, Philomena Barrett, Mary and Gordon Beddows, Louise Boughey, Denise Bradley, Frank Bradshaw, David Brearley, Mary Bretherton, Sarah Brewer, Craig Cook Jnr, Tina Corkill, Les Cowell, Barbara Cowell, Dennis Cowell, Sheila Cowell, Peter Cuff, Mary Davies, John Dean, John Delouise, F.D. Jr, Anita Dubique-Ashton, Tony Dubique, Barbara Edmundson, Frank Hawley, Jayne Heaton, Pat Hindley, Brian Hume, Carol Hume, Michael Larkin, Ruth Lightfoot, Georgina Lomax, Christine Lowrey, Eileen Peet, Angela Rawlins, Joan Redmond, Pat Singleton, Tony Stirrup, Jayne Torvill, Rosina Turco, John Tyson, Graham Wells.

God holds the whole world in his hands. We ask him to embrace those who are sick that they may be brought to a fullness of health and life.

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LET US PRAY FOR THE CHURCH THAT IT MAY RECEIVE FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT THE GRACE AND STRENGTH TO REFORM ITSELF IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

Last Week's Offertory – £311.64

.Thank you!\_\_\_\_

When the character of a man is not clear to you, look at his friends

# Mass Intentions for the Week

## Saturday 26 Nov.

6.30 pm Maureen Bostock; Helen Atkins Wedding at 2 pm: Katherine Greene & Anthony Carter

Sunday 27 Nov. First Sunday of Advent

11 am Jan Harris; Mary Sands; Beatrice McMahon

Monday 28 Nov.

No Mass

Tuesday 29 Nov.

9.30 am Pious List

Wednesday 30 Nov. St Andrew, Apostle

7.30 pm People of the Parish

Thursday 1 Dec.

No Mass

Friday 2 Dec.

No Mass

Saturday 3 Dec.

St Francis Xavier

6.30 pm Clare Howley; Job Success; Successful Pregnancy

**Sunday 4 Dec.** Second Sunday of Advent 11 am Clare Howley; Margaret Hartery;

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#### **SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER**

Father Gildea's ashes will be interred in our graveyard after 11 am Mass. All are welcome to attend, followed by tea and cakes in the garden or in the Millennium Room if the weather is bad.

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

# Newsletter

Sunday 27 November 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (p.82)

Psalter Week 1



#### A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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#### **Advent Begins**

The season of Advent begins this Sunday and it is a season of penance and prayer in preparation for Christmas. Saint Paul urges us to prepare for the coming of the Son of God in the flesh. Each week in Advent a picture or symbol will be attached to the Jesse Tree, starting with Adam and Eve (an apple), followed by Noah, Abraham and Isaac, and Jacob. Advent candles will be lit at Mass each week.

A massive 'thank you' to all our young people who took part in the Mass on Youth Sunday. They did so well and should be really proud of themselves. If any young people want to get involved in our Masses they should talk to Katy, John, Margaret or Jim – or via parish email.

#### **WODAC Appeal**

During December we are asked to give items of winter clothing to the homeless in our area, especially underwear. So if you can donate a pack of Y-fronts (all brands accepted) they will be warmly appreciated. We will collect them as usual in the church porch together with socks, vests, gloves, hats and any other winter clothing. All contributions welcome. Thank you.

#### We Need More Deacons

There is an information evening for those who may wish to become deacons with the Archbishop on Tuesday 29 November, 7.30-9 pm (refreshments from 7 pm) at Christ the King Church, Queens Drive, Wavertree, Liverpool L15 6YQ. Wives and supporting priests or deacons are also welcome to attend. For more information, please email Deacon Paul Rooney: p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk

## **Candlelight Service**

Warrington Bereaved Parents' Group will hold the annual Candlelight Service, for all bereaved families and friends to remember our children with love, at Warrington Parish Church (St Elphin's) at 7.30 pm on Monday 5 December. All are welcome to attend.

#### Mary's Meals – Double the Love Scheme

Donations made to Mary's Meals will be doubled by a group of generous benefactors, up to £1.5 million, until 31 January 2023. With **Double the Love** your donation will be matched and your kindness will go even further – meaning we can reach even more desperately hungry children with a life-changing school meal. There are many ways to get involved – find out more at marysmeals.org.uk or visit our parish website.

#### **CAFOD Christmas Gifts**

New *World Gifts* catalogues are available in the porch for a wide variety of gifts at Christmas which contribute to making the world a better place. Please take a copy home to make your choice and order online, by phone or by using the order form.

#### **PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW**

#### The November prize of £146 was won by No. 6

The draw took place after Mass on 13 November. Any allocated numbers not paid for on this occasion were not included in the draw. Members are reminded payment of £3 for each number must be made by the weekend before the draw takes place. The next draw will be made on Sunday 11 December after Mass.

If you're not in you can't win – Good Luck!

#### Warm and Cosy Spaces

Parish centres in our area hosting Warm Spaces, a scheme where free hot drinks and biscuits are made available to those in need, are as follows:

#### St Benedict's, Rhodes Street, WA2 7QE

Wednesdays 12 to 3 pm in the sacristy (with soup from 12 to 1 pm)

Thursdays 1 to 3.30 pm in the Parish Centre

St Oswald's, Padgate Lane, WA1 3LB Mondays 1 to 3.30 pm

#### St Joseph's, Meeting Lane, WA5 2BB Thursdays 1 to 3.30 pm

Volunteers to welcome those who come, show them where drinks are etc. are always needed. Can you help?

#### **Warrington Foodbank Statement**

Thank you all for your incredible support helping us to help so many families in Warrington. As we move into the winter months and towards the festive period the shop will become the hub for our Christmas toy appeal, as well as the introduction of our winter warmth initiative. We will continue to offer pre-loved school uniforms during this time too, just running things slightly differently: operating a system whereby parents will request items at the shop and return another day to collect (if we have it!). Because of the unprecedented amount of support we have been shown by the Warrington community we are no longer taking donations of unbranded uniforms but please continue to bring in items of pre-loved branded and badged uniforms. In addition to this we are also looking for donations of new toys, winter coats, hats, scarves, shoes, gloves, pyjamas, blankets, torches and hot water bottles. We will also host regular dropin sessions (Initially Tuesdays and Fridays) with the Credit Union as a way of offering further support to our community, particularly those who are affected by debt. As always we also accept donations of food and money. Once again thank you all for your support - none of this would be possible without you!

Foodbank Information Centre, Golden Square

## **Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023**

Next year is the 100th anniversary of the Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Plans have now been finalised for 21 to 28 July at a cost per person of £899. Further details will be published when known.

ST PETER'S SCHOOL, HILLOCK LANE

Christmas Sayre

Sunday 27 November 2022 at 1.30 pm

Christmas Raffle Tombola

Refreshments Games Santa Visit

Raffle tickets now on sale in the church porch