

Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

- Ron Bennett, Otilie Bishop**
- John Bowden, Arabella Bretherton**
- William Bretherton, Colin Davies**
- Gerard Healy, Eileen Kinneah**
- Mary McCourt, Maureen McCourt**
- Michael Terry**

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, Colette and Ciano Bartolo, Ellie Beaton, Mary and Gordon Beddows, Louise Boughy, Denise Bradley, David Brearley, Mary Bretherton, Sarah Brewer, Ann Carmen, 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, James Faulkner, Margaret Harrison, Jayne Heaton, Pat Hindley, Christine Hudson, Brian Hume, Carol Hume, Michael Larkin, Ruth Lightfoot, Georgina Lomax, 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

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Accept what is, let go of what was and have faith in what will be
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 15 Apr.

6.30 pm Luke & Kirsty (blest new marriage);
Christine Lowrey; Barbara & Adina

Sunday 16 Apr. *Feast of the Divine Mercy*

11 am Fred Marsh; Frank Hawley;
Peter Newton

Monday 17 Apr.

No Mass

Tuesday 18 Apr.

9.30 am Margaret Allison
6 pm *First Forgiveness Service (Fr Dave)*

Wednesday 19 Apr.

7.30 pm People of the Parish

Thursday 20 Apr.

10 am Requiem Mass for Edna Catherine Mann

Friday 21 Apr. *St Anselm, Bishop*

No Mass

Saturday 22 Apr.

6.30 pm E. & J. Grimshaw
First Holy Communion Presentation Mass

Sunday 23 Apr.

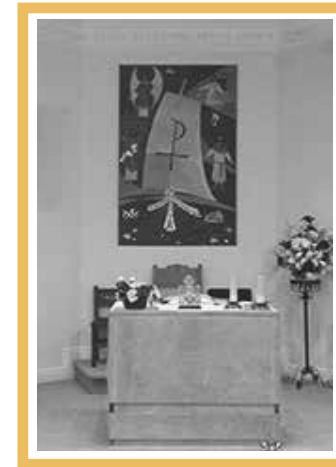
11 am Mary McAteer; Philomena McCartney
First Holy Communion Presentation Mass

Last Week's Offertory – £272.70
Thank you!

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL
Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter
Sunday 16 April 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (p.255)
Psalter Week 2



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

Deacon Revd Jim McGraw



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Divine Mercy Sunday

Also known as Low Sunday, Divine Mercy Sunday originates from a revelation to Saint Faustina, a Sister of Mercy in Poland who initiated the Divine Mercy devotion. Between 1930 and 1938 Jesus requested numerous times a Feast of Divine Mercy. On 5 May 2000, five days after the canonisation of Saint Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.

First Holy Communion Presentation

We welcome our Year 4 pupils and their families next weekend as they present themselves at both Masses in preparation for receiving their First Holy Communion in May. Please include them in your prayers.

Welcome

On Friday 28 April we will have a new resident parish priest at St Peter's. He is Fr Mark Drew, who has been appointed to replace our dear departed Fr John Gildea. Together with Deacon Jim, Fr Raymond and Fr Griffin he has enabled our parish to function over the past six months. Father Mark would welcome any help to bring his possessions to his new home – especially in moving his great number of books. Please let Deacon Jim know if you are able to help. We all look forward to meeting him at our parish Fun Day on Sunday 30 April.

ST PETER'S CHURCH GARDEN

PARISH FUN DAY

Fun & Games • Entertainment

Raffle • Barbecue

Sunday 30 April, 1–4.30 pm

WATCH THIS SPACE!

Proceeds in aid of Memorial Garden restoration fund

2023 Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Saint Peter's Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 21-28 July and is affiliated to the Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage. A list of the major events has been received from Liverpool and sent to participants. There are 12 of our parishioners taking part up to now but it's not too late for anyone wishing to join us – please add your name to the list at the back of church.

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

The April prize of £132 was won by No. 76

The draw took place after Mass on 9 April. 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 14 May after 11 am Mass.

Make sure you are included – No Pay, No Play!

Tea and Toast

Can you help? Volunteers are required to help with tea and toast every other week on Sundays after 11 am Mass. This is an opportunity to bring our parish together, to socialise with others and to raise funds for the parish. We look forward to welcoming you in the Millennium room.

Mass Attendances

The numbers of parishioners attending Masses has averaged 164 during the last month, almost 75 per cent. of pre-Covid congregations.

A PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Melt us, mould us, fill us, use us.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Warrington Foodbank

Collections have now resumed and any surplus food items would be much appreciated. Your donations can be left in the crate in the church porch to help those less fortunate.

PRAYERS AT EASTER

*Lord, at this time of Easter,
open our eyes that we may see you
in the poor.
Open our hearts that we may love you
in those who need our forgiveness.
Lend us your spirit that
we may share you with those
far from your mercy and love. Amen*

*O God, you showed us in the
passion of your Son the way to eternal glory
by the Way of the Cross.
Grant that we may follow him now,
by our prayers, to share his triumph
with him for all eternity. Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH

Lord, help us to fulfil our mission of bringing your joy and love to others; through our prayers, our listening, our words and our deeds. May we be a parish that is welcoming and eager to share our faith. Show us new ways to reach out and encourage those searching for the peace only you can give. Amen

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.