Please pray for . .

RECENTLY DECEASED

Mike Clifton, RIP

AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR

AROUND THIS TIME

Vera Green
James Divers Murray
Fred Wilkinson

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 Boughey, 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

> Last Week's Offertory – £313.85 Standing Orders (March) – £1,127

> > — Thank you!——

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 29 Apr.

6.30 pm Fr Gildea; Fr Vin McShane Fr Mark's first Mass with us as Parish Priest

Sunday 30 Apr.

11 am Joseph Durkan; Peter Newton

Monday 1 May

St Joseph the Worker

No Mass

Tuesday 2 May

St Athanasius

9.30 am People of the Parish

Wednesday 3 May Ss Philip & James, Apostles 7.30 pm Fred Marsh

Thursday 4 May

The English Martyrs

No Mass

Friday 5 May

No Mass

Saturday 6 May

6.30 pm Frank Hawley

Sunday 7 May

11 am Christine Lowrey

The Fourth Sunday of Easter has been designated as a World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis wishes young people with the gift of courage to listen to God's call and to open their hearts and minds in response. We need more priests.

Life becomes easier and more beautiful when we can see the good in other people

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

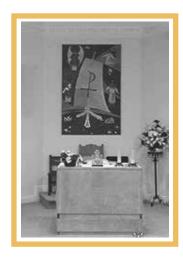
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Newsletter

Sunday 30 April 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (p.262)

Psalter Week 4



The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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Welcome Fr Mark

We welcome Father Mark Drew who has now taken up residence as our new parish priest and will celebrate his first Mass in this role on Saturday 29 April. We wish to thank Fr Raymond and Fr Austin, plus Fr Mark, for enabling Masses to continue at St Peter's over the past six months.

Please note that weekday Masses will no longer satisfy your Sunday Mass obligation. This will only be fulfilled by attending either the Saturday evening vigil Mass or the Sunday morning Mass. With effect from Friday 12 May there will be a Friday evening Mass each week at 6.30 pm.

From next week the church will be opened up by Fr Mark 30 minutes before Mass times (Tuesday 9 am, Wednesday 7 pm, Saturday 6 pm, Sunday 10.30 am and, when we have Friday evening Mass, 6 pm).

Tea and Toast

The next tea and toast is on Sunday 14 May as this week we have the Parish Fun Day. 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.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection this week for the **Priests' Training Fund**. Please respond to this appeal with your usual generosity.



Parish 100 Club Anniversary

We would like to thank everyone who has supported us this last year and we are pleased to announce that we will be transferring £1,500 into the parish account as a result of your contributions. As the 100 Club reaches its first birthday, those who pay annually please renew your subscription by 7 May. On renewal everyone will keep the same number(s) or you can change your number(s) at any time to any vacant numbers. There are still numbers available so please join in and help to raise necessary funds for our parish. John Glynn, Carole Glynn, Ged Totton or Tony O'Kell will happily set one up for you. All aspects of the 100 Club are shown on our website.

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

Next Draw 14 May

The draw will take place after Mass on 14 May. Members are reminded that payment must be made by the weekend before the draw takes place to be included. Also, please ensure your contact telephone number is known in order to be informed if you win.

If you're not in you can't win – No Pay, No Play!

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.

Warrington Foodbank

Collections have now resumed and any surplus food items would be welcomed, especially tinned tomatoes, Smash, hot dogs and jam. Your donations can be left in the crate in the church porch to help those less fortunate. Thank you for your continued help – it is much appreciated.

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.