Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AROUND THIS TIME

Jimmy Byrne Mary Gilfedder, Kevin Gorman James Hartery, Paul Taylor

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, Colette and Luciano Bartolo, Ellie Beaton, Louise Boughey, Mary Bretherton, Tina Corkill, Les Cowell, Sheila Cowell, Anita Dubique-Ashton, Margaret Harrison, Jayne Heaton, Jim and Pat Heffey, Pat Hindley, Marian Hodson, Bernard Johnson, Ruth Lightfoot, Peter McKeown, Angela Rawlins, Joan Redmond, Mary Wilkinson.

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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If anyone wishes to be visited by a Eucharistic Minister to receive Holy Communion please contact Fr Mark or Deacon Jim. Are you lonely or feeling neglected? We can help. Home visits for a chat can also be arranged to cheer you up when you need it. Just email:

stpeter.woolston@rcaol.org.uk

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Pope Francis on Israel and Palestine

"I continue to follow with great sorrow what is happening in Israel and Palestine. I renew my appeal for the freeing of the hostages and I strongly ask that children, the sick, the elderly, women, and all civilians not be made victims of the conflict. Humanitarian law is to be respected, especially in Gaza. Please, let no more innocent blood be shed, neither in the Holy Land nor in Ukraine, nor in any other place! Enough! Wars are always a defeat, always!"

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 11 Nov.

St Martin of Tours

6.30 pm Pious List

Sunday 12 Nov.

11 am Bernard Fox; Ian Ritchie

Monday 13 Nov.

No Mass

Tuesday 14 Nov.

9.30 am Pious List

Wednesday 15 Nov. 7.30 pm Pious List	St Albert the Great
Thursday 16 Nov.	St Margaret of Scotland
No Mass	St Gertrude; St Edmund
Friday 17 Nov.	St Hilda; St Hugh
9.30 am James Hartery	St Elizabeth of Hungary
Saturday 18 Nov.	Dedication of the Basilica
6.30 pm Pious List	of Ss Peter & Paul

Sunday 19 Nov.

11 am George & Ada Walker

Baptism at 12.30 pm: Isaac Eliseo Sharp

Handle them carefully, for words have more power than bombs

Last Week's Offertory – £378.50 Financing Our Schools – £217.65

- Thank you!_____

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter

Sunday 12 November 2023 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (p.152) Psalter Week 4

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY



A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday, 12 November, is Remembrance Sunday. As a parish, we will be taking part in the service at the Cenotaph, Martinscroft Green, (top of Weir Lane) at 12 noon together with other local churches. Poppies are on sale in the porch – the proceeds from which go to the Royal British Legion who support ex-Service personnel in need of assistance.

Exposition and Prayers

Each Wednesday evening there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6.30 pm before Mass. Prayers will be said, followed by Benediction, for a peaceful end to the Gaza/Israel conflict.

Monthly Working Party

The next maintenance working party will be on Tuesday 14 November after Mass. Please feel free to join in and help to keep our church surroundings as nice as they are, especially for the forthcoming Winter Wonderland event.

Red Wednesday

Our church will be floodlit in red after dark on Wednesday 22 November to show solidarity with persecuted Christians worldwide.

Could You Be a Deacon?

Archbishop Malcolm will host an information evening for men who may feel called to the diaconate on Thursday 23 November at St Bede's Guild Hall, Appleton Village, Widnes WA8 6EL.

The evening will begin at 7.30 pm, with refreshments available from 7 pm, and end by 9 pm. Wives and supporting deacons or priests will also be very welcome. If you are interested but are unable to attend, please email Fr Chris Fallon, c.fallon@rcaol.org.uk, or Deacon Paul Rooney, p.rooney@rcaol.org.uk for information.

Winter Wonderland Event

An outdoor event in the church garden will take place on Friday 24 November. Featuring crafts, games etc. and including food and drink, we can make it a memorable parish occasion.

Youth Pilgrimage 2024

The Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes is now open for applications for young people from Year 10 up to the age of 22. It will cost £700, with fundraising and support available. Please consider being part of this life-changing experience and go to liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk to apply. Search for us on social media for further information. Places are limited so please apply soon!

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

November Draw This Week

The draw takes place after 11 am Mass this Sunday 12 November. 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 – Good Luck!

Tea and Toast This Week

We look forward to welcoming you to Tea and Toast after Mass on Sunday in the Millennium Room. This is an opportunity to bring our parish together, to socialise with others and to raise funds for the parish. Why not join us?

Warrington Foodbank

Shortages include chocolate snack bars, semiskimmed milk, cordial, tinned meat and fish. Your donations can be left in the crate in the church porch for those less fortunate. Please note that during December we suspend Foodbank collections in favour of Warrington Open Door At Christmas (WODAC), the local charity to help the homeless in our town.

Lourdes Fund Raffle

It is hoped we can again have a raffle to help our pilgrims who wish to go to Lourdes next year. If we can rely on your usual generosity in providing a number of prizes the draw will be on 3 December. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Parishioners' Thoughts on our Retreat Day at Thicket Priory

Saturday 4 November 2023

OUR day was wonderful, we received a warm welcome from the Sisters. It was a privilege for us to share time with them. We joined them for Midday Prayers. Fr Mark celebrated Mass. We prayed for you all and those on our Pious List.

ON Saturday I had the most wonderful opportunity to visit Thicket Priory with my fellow parishioners.

Words fail to truly capture the depth of my spiritual experience, the profound peace that enveloped me throughout the day. From the moment we arrived I sensed a serene tranquil atmosphere that seemed to wash away all my worldly worries.

The air was filled with a palpable sense of devotion – an overwhelming aura of tranquility.

The Sisters exuded love for God and a deep commitment to their vocation.

Witnessing their unwavering faith and dedication was truly inspiring, it served as a powerful reminder of the beauty of surrendering oneself to God.

Leaving I carried with me renewed sense of joy: a desire to cultivate a deeper relationship with God.

Overall my visit was a transforming experience.

I LOVE the way the Sisters open their hearts and arms to welcome us so warmly into their Priory.

The special peace that is always found there travels with us when we leave, we are truly blessed.