

Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

**Peter Vernon Astley, J. Bennett
Janet Boucher, Nora Graham, Joseph Moran
Sheila Shuttleworth, Ann Sloyan
Ged Snelson, Mary Wilson**

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

*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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LUCIANO BARTOLO RIP

The Requiem Mass for Luciano Bartolo will be at 12 noon on Wednesday 14 February at St Stephen's, Orford, followed by committal at Walton Lea at 1.30 pm, and refreshments afterwards at Tetley Walker Club. All are welcome to attend. Donations in lieu of flowers, by request, to St Peter's Lourdes Fund.

A Welcoming Prayer

Heavenly Father, in my dealings with other people help me to be welcoming and sincere. May I see everyone who crosses my path as a brother or sister. Inspire me to share in the grief and anxiety, the joys and the hopes of all your people so that they may flourish in the comfort of your unbounded love. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord. Amen

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 3 Feb. *St Blaise, St Ansgar, Bishops*

6.30 pm Matthew McCarthy; Frank Hawley;
Mike Bretherton; Vincent Buckley

Sunday 4 Feb.

11 am Ged Snelson; Dorothy Coulson;
Peter Newton; Stan Wright;
Joseph Durkan

Monday 5 Feb.

St Agatha

No Mass

Tuesday 6 Feb.

St Paul Miki & Companions

10 am Requiem Mass for Mary Wilkinson
followed by interment at Hollinfore Cemetery

Wednesday 7 Feb.

7.30 pm People of the Parish

Thursday 8 Feb.

St Jerome Emiliani

No Mass

Friday 9 Feb.

No Mass

Saturday 10 Feb.

St Scholastica

6.30 pm Hannah Rose; Mike Bretherton;
Mary Wilkinson; Peter Newton

Sunday 11 Feb.

11 am Frank Hawley; Michael KIELTY

Patience is the companion of wisdom

Last Week's Offertory – £332.80

Thank you!

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter
Sunday 4 February 2024

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (p.134)

Psalter Week 4



*Praise
the Lord,
who heals
the
broken-
hearted*

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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No Exposition or Benediction

There will not be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or Benediction for the next two Wednesdays before 7.30 pm Mass as Fr Mark will be away. Father Austin Griffin will be covering both these Wednesday evening Masses as well as the Masses on Saturday and Sunday 3 and 4 February.

Vocations Weekend

A vocations weekend for young women in their 20s and 30s is being organised by the FCJ Sisters (Faithful Companions of Jesus), with the theme *Discerning God's Call in Your Life*, and will take place in Liverpool on 16-18 February. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and you would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, and to meet others who are also wondering whether God is calling them. For more information contact Sr Lynne FCJ at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org.

Christening

Next Sunday, 11 February, we welcome into our parish family Matilda Christina Cowell, who is to be baptised at 12.30 pm. We wish her every future blessing and congratulate her parents.

Rest in Peace

It is with deep regret and sorrow that we inform parishioners of the death of Peter McKeown, who passed away peacefully in St Rocco's Hospice on Wednesday 31 January. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Tea and Toast

Why not join us for tea and toast in the Millennium Room after Mass on Sundays? It is a way to meet and chat with fellow parishioners, and visitors are especially welcome. However, due to the new kitchen installation there will be a break on 4 and 11 February but normal service should be resumed after that.

Warrington Foodbank

The crate is in the church porch for items donated to the Foodbank. It will remain there all year and your continued support ensures the well-being of those less fortunate. Current shortages are washing-up liquid, men's deodorants, tins of fruit, meat or fish. Thank you for your kindness.

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

Next Draw 11 February – Pay This Week

The next draw will take place after Mass on Sunday 11 February. There are still numbers available so you need to choose one to make sure you are in the February draw. If you have chosen your number please remember that payment of £3 for each number must be made by the weekend before the draw takes place.

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

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

This year's Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be from 19-26 July. Make a note of the dates and add your name to the list in the church porch if you wish to join. The Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes is now open for applications for young people from Year 10 up to the age of 22, and it will cost £700. Please go to liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk to apply. Places are limited so please apply soon!

Recycle Electrical Equipment

There is a local charity based near Riverside Retail Park which processes unwanted electrical items including computer cabling, computers, switches, hubs, routers, hand-held gaming consoles and equipment, boxed or unboxed games, music, DJ and sound equipment, telephones, digital cameras, laptop bags, Freeview and Sky boxes. A full list of items can be found at whatwetake.org.uk:WEECHARITY. We could have a clear-out and help the planet. Check it out – don't just chuck it out!



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!"

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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

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.