



St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
Altrincham

After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love Me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "You know I love You." "Then feed My lambs," Jesus told him. (John 21:15 NLT)



Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday 1st May 2022

Reflection

In today's gospel, Jesus gives the Twelve a share in His authority. They remain associated for ever with Christ's kingdom. Through them and their successors, He directs the Church. Simon Peter holds the first place in the college of the Twelve. Jesus entrusted a unique mission to him. Christ, the 'living stone,' thus assures His Church, built on Peter, of victory over the powers of death. Because of the faith he confessed, Peter will remain the unshakeable rock of the Church. He's been given the keys of the kingdom. He's been given the power to "bind and loose." This means that Peter and his successors has the authority to absolve sins, to pronounce doctrinal judgments, and to make disciplinary decisions in the Church. His mission will be to keep this faith from every lapse and to strengthen his brothers in it.

Pope Francis' Intention for May

For Faith-Filled Young People: We pray for all young people, called to live life in the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intentions:

New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

'COME AND LISTEN' FORMATION DAYS

We are pleased to invite all interested parishioners to two formation days called 'Come and Listen' which will take place in Westleigh from 10am to 5pm on Saturdays 7th and 14th May. Pope Francis is constantly asking the church to focus on the basic message of Christianity (The Kerygma). This is an opportunity to reflect on this for ourselves and how we share it with others. For more details please contact Jane Deegan on 07517 906435. Please bring a packed lunch with you. Tea and coffee will be provided.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 10AM MASS - 1ST MAY

We are delighted to announce that tea, coffee and light refreshments will be available in Westleigh after the 10am Mass on Sunday 1st May and the first Sunday of each month thereafter. We are looking for more volunteers to help serve. Please email the parish office or speak to one of our priests if you are able to help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

Please pray for all our children celebrating their First Holy Communion over the next few weeks. Please note that there will be no Eucharistic Adoration at 11am on Saturday 7th, 14th and 21st May. Confessions will be available at the normal time of 11:00-12:00.

SUMMER SOCIAL EVENING

Come and join us for a Summer Social evening on Thursday 9th June in Westleigh! Full details, including menu, are displayed at the back of the church, with reply slips. Please return completed slips, with payment of £27, in an envelope marked for the parish office. This can be handed in to the sacristy or posted through the presbytery door. Please return slip & payment by 20th May, bookings cannot be taken after this date due to catering requirements.

WRITERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS WANTED!

We are keen to resurrect and revitalise our Parish magazine, The Vineyard, and are calling for enthusiastic parishioners to join the editorial team. No experience is needed, simply a desire to help create a bright, engaging, bi-annual publication that captures the vibrancy of our Parish and reaches every parishioner.

We're conscious that not all parishioners are able to access email or social media - communication which has been vital during the pandemic - thus The Vineyard will enable us to reconnect with those unable to attend Mass or who can't receive regular electronic updates. **To do this, we need your help.**

Would you be happy to meet new people and report on their stories - from celebrating anniversaries to their involvement with charitable works and faith groups? Could you report on social events or the activities of a Parish group you're involved with? Do you just fancy chatting to other parishioners and outlining ideas for potential stories? Or taking pictures of Parish life?

Please don't be anxious about having to craft Pulitzer Prize prose as we will be working together with a journalist to create the content. We just need willing hands to help gather and generate stories, forward potential ideas, take images and help us build a positive publication for all parishioners.

Please contact the parish office or speak to Father Jonathan or Father Robert.

CORNERSTONE AND FOODBANK DONATIONS

The box for Cornerstone and Foodbank donations is at the back of church again. Please leave your donations in the box and we will ensure that they are given to these two organisations. Thank you.

THANKS AND REQUEST FOR HELP FROM THE SVP

The SVP thanks parishioners who have donated £70 over the last few weeks in the collection box in the porch. We are twinned with ten Conferences in other countries, including four in India, and to ease communication we would be grateful if anyone with a working knowledge of the languages spoken in the Kerala or Eluru districts could tel. James on 0161 941 3498.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage Website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4 UX.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

- ♦ Children's Liturgy - Sunday 8th and 22nd May at the 10am Mass
- ♦ Bridge - Every Monday at 2.00pm in Westleigh
- ♦ Knit and Natter - Thursday 12th & 26th May at 10am in Westleigh
- ♦ Playgroup - Every Monday and Friday in term time from 9.30am - 11.30am in Westleigh
- ♦ Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass - First Sunday of each month

MAY'S LIVE SIMPLY MESSAGE: Use energy-saving lightbulbs and switch off lights in unoccupied rooms.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEES – UPDATE

If you have registered as a host and/or would like to offer your time and skills to welcome refugees into the area, Bernie Donohoe (BDonohoe@outlook.com) of the parish Justice & Peace group would be delighted to hear from you. There are many ways to offer welcome as refugees arrive in our area and most of them don't require a spare room! A few examples are:

- Help registering for GPs, dentists, schools, job search, banking etc
- Help with local area knowledge – shopping, leisure facilities, transport, nice walks etc
- Organise a welcome coffee morning, to give an opportunity to meet other Ukrainians and parishioners
- Do you speak Ukrainian or Russian – could you help with translation?

The other links and emails shared in previous newsletters are also useful:

Reset's refugee/sponsor matching service: <https://www.homesforukraine.org.uk/>

Reset's information and resources on sponsoring Ukrainians: <https://homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk/>

Government's 'Homes for Ukraine' campaign: <https://homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk/>

Caritas Shrewsbury's advice (including links for donations): <https://www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk/news/>

Caritas Shrewsbury's email (Sign-up to receive updates and signposting to useful resources for hosts): info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk

MISSIO THANKSGIVING MASS - WEDNESDAY 11th MAY 2022 at 7pm

A Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Mark Davies, to thank God for all those who are praying and supporting the Red Boxes and the work of Missio, will be celebrated at St Michael and All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE on Wednesday 11th May at 7pm. All are welcome including Missio Secretaries, Benefactors, Red Box holders and anyone interested in the mission of the Church.

VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED FOR READ EASY WYTHENSHAW

Read Easy is a national organization that provide free, confidential, one to-one reading coaching for adults who struggle with literacy. The Wythenshawe group is looking for a volunteer to coordinate linking volunteer coaches with learners (readers) and provide ongoing support to these pairs. The role is flexible, home-based, well supported by the team and very rewarding. For more details about the organisation, visit the Read Easy website: www.readeasy.org.uk or for the Wythenshawe group see: www.facebook.com/readeasywythenshawe. Please contact Chris Howes, 07751 077050 or email wythenshaweleader@readeasy.org.uk for more information.

VACANCY

Loreto Grammar School has a vacancy for a Lay Chaplain. Further details including a job description and application form will be available on the school website by Friday, 29 April. [Vacancies - Loreto Grammar School](#) The closing date for receipt of completed applications is Tuesday, 10 May and interviews will be held on Tuesday, 17 May 2022. Initial enquiries should be directed to: recruitment@loretogrammar.co.uk

OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome into God's Family Orla Atkinson, Sienna Thorpe-Heatley and Lintak (Alan) Lau who were recently baptised here. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Congratulations to Timothy Keaveney and Jessica Hudson who were married here recently.

Requiescant in Pace Please pray for those who have died recently including Peter Hill, Irene Burns and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Please pray for the sick who include Collette Allen, Michael Anderson, M Barnes, George Bell, Pat Bell, Helen Boardman, Elizabeth Breen, Jane Broadfoot, Jozef Broilo, Michael Byrne, Jo Carter, Raymond Carter, John Cawfield, Digby Sanders Cochrane, Peter Cresswell, Clare Crossan (nee Lee), Fr Michael Cupit, Marjorie & Simon De Maria, Luke Dennett, Max Dunn, Ken Dwyer, Ross Dwyer, Joyce Eaton, Lynda Edwards, Peter Elliott, Greta Flynn, Sean Gallagher, Ian Gerrie, Vicky Gosnold, Peter Gough, Stella Gould, Rufus Hasler & family, Mary Heanue, Thomas Higginbotham, Hayley Hill, Katie Holmes, Sarah Hrybyk, Lucy Hunter, Mavis Jenkins, Martin Jones, H & R Kelly, Amelia Kennedy, Anne Killeen, Thomas Killeen, Elizabeth and Henry Kluck, Marcin and Teresa Kluck, Barbara Lamb, Neil Lancaster, David Lawley, Betty Leeson, Willy Leeson, Klaudia Linert, , Bob Lloyd, Laura MacGinn, Margaret, Erin Marks, Joe Marshall, Marianne Martin, Claire McAllister, Rupert McDermott, Mary McLoughlin, Luke Murphy, Mary Murphy, Elaine Neary, Oliver, Anne O'Neill, , Andrea Ottley, Majorie Owens, Michalis and Karen Papangelis, Krzysztof Pietrzak, Patricia Ravening, Paul Raybede, Reece, Glen Reed, Jackie Reed, Mark Reed, Rose, Margaret Russell, Adrian Ryan, David Ryan and Frank, Mary Ryan, Donal Scally, June Telfer, Leo Tomlinson, Philip Tomlinson, Joe Traynor, Joephon Tumpang, Janina Wardzinska, Isabella Webb, Rita White, Neil Wilkinson, Mason Williams, Maria Winthrop, Louise Withers and all in our hospitals and homes.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

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MONEY MATTERS

Offertory Collection 24th April £1718.05 plus standing orders. Thank you for your generosity. *The Diocese of Shrewsbury is a registered charity No. 234025*

Mass Schedule this coming week

Sunday 1st May 2022 Third Sunday of Easter	08:30 10:00 11:30 18.30	Peggy Heath (RIP) For the people of the parish Molly & Sean McRae (First wedding anniversary) Margaret Gaynham (RIP)
Monday 2nd May 2022 <i>St Athanasius</i>	11.00 12.15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Maria Jinnah Phelan (thanksgiving) <i>Rosary for the parishioners and their intentions</i>
Tuesday 3rd May 2022 <i>Ss Philip & James</i>	11.00 12:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> William Cochrane (ann) <i>Rosary for the sick</i>
Wednesday 4th May 2022 <i>The English Martyrs</i>	11.00 12:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Nicholas Joseph Jervis (ann) <i>Rosary for married people and their families</i>
Thursday 5th May 2022 <i>Ferial</i>	11.00 12:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Tony White (RIP) <i>Rosary for peace in the world</i>
Friday 6th May 2022 <i>Ferial</i>	11.00 12:15 18.30 19.00	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Annie Giblin (RIP) <i>Rosary for the conversion of sinners and unbelievers</i> John De Maria (RIP)
Saturday 7th May 2022 <i>Ferial</i>	10.00 11.00 11.00-12.00 12:15 16:30-17:15 17:30	First Holy Communion Mass NO Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction <i>Confessions</i> Margaret Frances Burke (RIP) <i>Confessions</i> Mary McMahon (RIP)
Sunday 8th May 2022 Fourth Sunday of Easter	08:30 10:00 11:30 18.30	For the people of the parish Margaret Hughes (RIP) Bridget Garner (RIP) Arthur & Margaret Foy (RIP)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month

MASS READING CYCLE: Sundays year C, weekdays cycle 2; Psalter Week 3

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: In Confessionals, *see confession times in the mass schedule above, or by appointment*

PARISH CLERGY

Parish Priest: Canon Jonathan Brandon, **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Robert Dykes, **Retired Priest:** Fr. Keith Butterworth

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WESTLEIGH

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