

Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

**Tommy Agnue, Bob Andrews
John Cummins, Emily Foley
Clare Howley, Albert Jukka, Sally Jukka
John Smith, James 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, Valerie Ashby, Philomena Barrett,
Mary and Gordon Beddows, Louise Boughey,
Denise Bradley, Frank Bradshaw, David Brearley,
Mary Bretherton, Sarah Brewer, 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, Frank Hawley, Jayne Heaton, Pat
Hindley, Brian Hume, Carol Hume, Michael
Larkin, Ruth Lightfoot, Georgina Lomax,
Christine Lowrey, 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

There is a postbox in the porch for items to be included
in the Newsletter. Also, if there are any updates to be
made to our lists above please use it to let me know as
soon as you can. Many thanks, *Tom Foy*

*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 3 Dec.

6.30 pm Clare Howley; Pat McKeown;
Job Success; Successful Pregnancy

Sunday 4 Dec. *Second Sunday of Advent*

11 am Clare Howley; Margaret Hartery;
James Hartery; Tom & Emily Foley

Monday 5 Dec.

No Mass

Tuesday 6 Dec. *St Nicholas, Bishop*

9.30 am Fr Gildea; Fr Petty

Wednesday 7 Dec. *St Ambrose, Bishop*

7.30 pm People of the Parish

Thursday 8 Dec. *Immaculate Conception of BVM*

No Mass

Friday 9 Dec.

No Mass

Saturday 10 Dec. *Our Lady of Loreto*

6.30 pm Don Cullen

Sunday 11 Dec. *Third Sunday of Advent*

11 am Elsie Sheeran; Maureen Bostock;
Helen Atkins

Last Week's Offertory – £304.20

Animate Youth – £127.15

Thank you!

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter
Sunday 4 December 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (p.85)

Psalter Week 2



A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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Advent and the Jesse Tree

The season of Advent is a season of penance and prayer in preparation for Christmas. This week the theme is **Peace**. Each week we add pictures or symbols to our Jesse Tree to recall various biblical characters or events including Jacob (a ladder), Joseph (a sheaf), Moses (a shepherd's crook) and a tablet inscribed with the 10 commandments). Advent candles will also be lit at Mass each week.

Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of SPAM, St Peter's Parish Council, will be held on Tuesday 6 December in church at 7 pm. The agenda will be circulated before the meeting.

Christmas Mass Times

This year the Christmas Masses unfortunately do not include midnight Mass. On Christmas Eve (Saturday) there will be Mass at 6.30 pm and on Christmas Day at 11 am.

School Carol Service

On Monday 19 December at 6 pm our school-children will hold their Carol Service in church. There will be carols and readings and all parishioners are welcome to attend. Please give your support if you are able.

WODAC Appeal

During December we are asked to give items of winter clothing to the homeless in our area, especially underwear. So if you can donate a pack of Y-fronts (all brands accepted) they will be warmly appreciated. We will collect them as usual in the church porch together with socks, vests, gloves, hats and any other winter clothing. All contributions welcome. Thank you.

Candlelight Service

Warrington Bereaved Parents' Group will hold the annual Candlelight Service, for all bereaved families and friends to remember our children with love, at Warrington Parish Church (St Elphin's) at 7.30 pm on Monday 5 December. All are welcome to attend.

Mary's Meals – Double the Love Scheme

Donations made to Mary's Meals will be doubled by a group of generous benefactors, up to £1.5 million, until 31 January 2023. With **Double the Love** your donation will be matched and your kindness will go even further – meaning we can reach even more desperately hungry children with a life-changing school meal. There are many ways to get involved – find out more at marysmeals.org.uk or visit our parish website.

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

December Draw Next Week

The draw takes place after Mass on 11 December. 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. The next draw will take place on Sunday 15 January after 11 am Mass.

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

CAFOD Christmas Gifts

New *World Gifts* catalogues are available in the porch for a wide variety of gifts at Christmas which contribute to making the world a better place. Please take a copy home to make your choice and order online, by phone or by using the order form.

Warm and Cosy Spaces

Parish centres in our area hosting Warm Spaces, a scheme where free hot drinks and biscuits are made available to those in need, are as follows:

St Benedict's, Rhodes Street, WA2 7QE

Wednesdays 12 to 3 pm in the sacristy
(with soup from 12 to 1 pm)

Thursdays 1 to 3.30 pm in the Parish Centre

St Oswald's, Padgate Lane, WA1 3LB

Mondays 1 to 3.30 pm

St Joseph's, Meeting Lane, WA5 2BB

Thursdays 1 to 3.30 pm

Volunteers to welcome those who come, show them where drinks are etc. are always needed. Can you help?

Goodbye, Fr Gildea

A great number of parishioners saw Fr Gildea's ashes interred in our graveyard after Mass last Sunday. Together with Father's family we joined his friends Fr Griffin and Fr Raymond in prayer, a hymn and three cheers for a much-loved parish priest. No doubt many memories were recalled as we met afterwards in the Millennium Room.

A PRAYER FOR FATHER GILDEA

*May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord let the light of his face
shine upon you and be kind to you.
May the Lord welcome you home
and give you peace
both now and forever.
And until we meet again
may God hold you
in the palm of his hand.*

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.**