

Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

**Anne Bennett, John Brookes,
Imelda Cotton, James Hughes, Jim Lucy
Catherine Parry, Margaret Reid**

*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!"

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 18 Nov. *Dedication of the Basilica
of Ss Peter & Paul*
6.30 pm Pious List

Sunday 19 Nov. *World Day of the Poor*
11 am George & Ada Walters
Baptism at 12.30 pm: Isaac Eliseo Sharp

Monday 20 Nov.
No Mass

Tuesday 21 Nov. *Presentation of the BVM*
9.30 am Pious List

Wednesday 22 Nov. *St Cecilia*
6.30 pm Exposition, Prayers & Benediction
7.30 pm Fr Nick Wilde RIP

Thursday 23 Nov. *St Clement; St Columban*
No Mass

Friday 24 Nov. *St Andrew Dung-Lac
and Companions*
9.30 am Pious List

Saturday 25 Nov. *St Catherine of Alexandria*
6.30 pm Pious List

Sunday 26 Nov.
11 am Pious List

*Books, minds and umbrellas work
only if they're open*

Last Week's Offertory – £270.50
Thank you!

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL
Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

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Sunday 19 November 2023

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Psalter Week 1



*O blessed
are those
who
fear
the Lord*

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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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.

Red Wednesday

Our church will be floodlit in red after dark on Wednesday 22 November to show solidarity with persecuted Christians worldwide. We are asked to attend Mass and wear something red as a sign of the blood that many have shed. We are free in our country to go to church whenever we wish, but many churches in the world have been destroyed in the determination to stop Christians practising their faith. We could also light a red candle in our windows to remember all who cannot openly display their faith.

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

The outdoor event in the church garden will begin at 6 pm on Friday 24 November. This is being organised in conjunction with the **With Love, Steph** charity. There will be a barbecue, craft stalls, a cake stall (with takeaway boxes), Christmas carols, a piety stall and children's games. Also mulled wine, Irish coffee, tea and coffee will be on sale. We would love to see other parishioners in the deanery and local residents to join us. Everyone is very welcome.

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 prize of £120 was won by No. 86

The draw took place after Mass on 12 November. Any allocated numbers not paid for on this occasion were not included in the draw. There are numbers available so you need to choose one to make sure you are in the December 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. The next draw will be made on Sunday 10 December after 11 am Mass.

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

Parish 100 Club

The December draw will include an additional £50 prize which will only be available to players who have paid their subs for October, November and December. The main prize of £150 will be guaranteed. Please remember to pay your subs.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection next week for **Animate Youth**. Please remember to bring your envelope to Mass.

Warrington Foodbank

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.

Tea and Toast

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?

Christmas Fayre

Saint Peter's Christmas Fayre is on Sunday 3 December, 1.30-4.30 pm in school. There will be the usual tombolas, raffles, children's games, cakes, hot food, gaelic coffees and mulled wine, tea and coffee, crafts and Santa's Grotto. There is a tub in the church porch with raffle tickets if anyone wishes to buy.

Cardinals call for active non-violence

IT takes courage to be able to demand justice without spreading hatred. It takes courage to ask for mercy, to reject oppression, to promote equality without demanding uniformity, while remaining free. It takes courage today, even in our diocese and our communities, to maintain unity, to feel united to one another, even in the diversity of our opinions, sensitivities and visions.

Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa

Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem

HIS Holiness has insisted that there must be another way than violence to resolve conflict, foster justice, heal the earth, safeguard immigrants and end war. This is not avoidance, appeasement, aggression or attack. It is a dramatically different way of being in the world, of working for peace, of building non-violent movement and systems, and of being faithful to the vision of Jesus.

Cardinal Charles Maung Bo

Archbishop of Yangon, Myanmar

Full text available on our parish website