

Please pray for . .

RECENTLY DECEASED

Kate Farmer, Kathy Pigeon, RIP

AND THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

**Tommy Agnue, Harry Anderson
Christine Campbell, Sarah Carters
John Cummins, Tom Finnegan
Martin Jordan, Albert Jukka, Sally Jukka
Mary McLoughlin, Margaret Washington
Anne Wilkinson**

*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. Just email:

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THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked for
many favours. This time I ask for a special one
[cure Jamie Oliphant]. Take it, dear heart of Jesus,
and place it within your own broken heart where
your Father sees it. Then, in his merciful eyes, it
will become your favour, not mine. Amen.

*Say this prayer for three days, promise publication and
the prayer will be granted. Never known to fail.*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 9 Dec.

6.30 pm Mary Loughlin; Anne & Patrick
Byrne; Patrick Noel Byrne

Sunday 10 Dec.

Human Rights Day

11 am Elsie Sheeran; Don Cullen

Monday 11 Dec.

St Damasus, Pope

No Mass

Tuesday 12 Dec.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

No Mass

Wednesday 13 Dec.

St Lucy

6.30 pm Exposition, Prayers & Benediction

7.30 pm People of the Parish

Thursday 14 Dec.

St John of the Cross

No Mass

Friday 15 Dec.

9.30 am Beatrice McMahon; Clare Howley

Saturday 16 Dec.

6.30 pm Sheila & Arthur Shuttleworth

Sunday 17 Dec.

11 am Mary McMahon; Sean Rogers;
Stephen Walklett

Today is the tomorrow I worried about yesterday

<i>Thank you!</i>	Last Week's Offertory – £366.60
	Animate Youth – £235
	Standing Orders (Oct.) – £1,243

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter

Sunday 10 December 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (p.85)

Psalter Week 2



PEACE

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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Advent and the Jesse Tree

This Sunday is the Second Sunday of Advent, which is a season of preparation for the Lord's coming. The theme for this week is **Peace**.

God of Peace, instil in us your peace that surpasses all understanding. As we prepare for His coming, make us instruments of your peace and help us find rest in the Prince of Peace, your Son, Jesus Christ.



Each week in Advent the children will attach a picture or symbol to the Jesse Tree. Various biblical characters or events, including Jacob (a ladder), Joseph (a wheat sheaf), Moses (a shepherd's crook and a tablet inscribed with the 10 commandments) are the new additions. The second Advent candle will be lit at Mass this week.

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.

Christingle Service

Our new 'Family of Parishes,' which incorporates the parishes of St Stephen, Blessed James Bell and St Peter & St Michael, is invited to come together for a Christingle Service at 4 pm on Sunday 17 December in St Benedict's, Rhodes Street WA2 7QE. 'Christingle' is an Advent service celebrating the coming of Jesus, the light of the world. This short service (about 35 minutes) is especially suitable for children, who will lead a procession of light around the church.

Fr Dave

Piety Stall

You may have noticed a splendid new range of gifts is now on sale in the porch. Please consider this as a source of Christmas stocking fillers as well as support for the parish funds.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

Next year's Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be from 19-26 July. Make a note of the dates 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. Raffle tickets will be on sale in the porch this weekend to help our young parishioners who wish to join the pilgrimage. Please go to liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk to apply. Places are limited so please apply soon!

PARISH 100 CLUB DRAW

December Draw This Week

The draw takes place after 11 am Mass this Sunday 10 December. Members are reminded that payment must have been 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!

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.

Tea and Cakes

This year's proceeds amounted to £675 which will be distributed to charities. Thank you to all who joined in and to those whose efforts made it happen.

Liturgy Changes

Father Mark says that from this week the Great Amen and Prayer for Peace will no longer be said by the congregation, as at present. He will tell us why before weekend Masses.

School Carol Service

On Monday 18 December at 6 pm our school-children will hold their Carol Service in church. There will be carols and readings and all our parishioners are welcome to attend.

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?

WODAC Appeal

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. Please use the crate in the porch for your gifts.

Christmas is Coming . .

Can you help to put up Christmas decorations in church after Mass next Sunday morning? You will be very welcome and your efforts will be seen by many grateful parishioners over the Christmas period. Details of Christmas Mass times will be published next week. Watch this space!

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.