

The Catholic Church in Crewe
Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish
Newsletter

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 21st to Sunday 29th May 2022



YOU MUST TAKE THIS SINGLE USE NEWSLETTER HOME. DO NOT LEAVE IT IN CHURCH!

MESSAGE FOR THE WEEK

Please see the enclosed Pastoral letter from Bishop Mark to the people of Saint Mary's, Crewe.

This weekend we welcome and thank Father Tony Myers from Knutsford and Father Paul Standish, who will be celebrating this weekend's Masses.

We are grateful to Father Paul Standish and the deanery clergy for taking on the pastoral care of the parish and the celebration of Mass and the sacraments.

Please remember Fr Jerome in your prayers during this time.

We are re-introducing the use of hymn books from this weekend.



We welcome into our Parish family and pray for Lennie-Rae Owen Sherratt and Shay-Kai Vincent Patrick Sherratt who received the Sacrament of Baptism on 21st May. Our thanks to Deacon Peter Lafferty for celebrating the Sacrament.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Martyna Emelia Jokiel, Lillia Eliza Edwards, Ella Eliza Kisiel, Eva Jade Kivlin, Agata Klyza, Laurence Frederick Knapper, Daniel Kozar, Jakub Jan Lewalski, Ruth Chimdinma Maduekwe, Finnley O'Connell, Orla Marie O'Connell, Ronan Daniel O'Connell, Pricilia Pereira Fernandes and Jacob Pietrusiak will receive their First Holy Communion this weekend. Please keep them, their families and friends, and our Priests and Catechists in your prayers.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Geraldine Williams who passed away last week. Geraldine was a member of the 9am choir. Her funeral will take place on Monday 23rd May at 11.00 am at St. Mary's, 2 New King Street, Middlewich, CW10 9EB.

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Brian Frow, who was also a member of the 9am choir, and who passed away last week. The funeral will take place at Crewe Crematorium Chapel on Tuesday 24th May at 2.45pm.

GUIDANCE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

- please continue to sanitise your hands on arrival and when leaving church.
- you may continue to wear a face covering if you wish to do so, however, this is not compulsory. Please please considerate of other people if you are not wearing a mask.
- follow the directions of our stewards for Holy Communion. If wearing a face mask, please keep it on as you receive Communion, then stand aside, consume the Blessed Sacrament, and make your way back to your seat.
- please do not come to church if you are ill or showing symptoms of Covid.

Thank you very much for your co-operation and understanding.

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK

Saturday 21st May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

(Church opens at 5pm)

5:30pm Mass (Helena Jarecka and family)

7pm Mass in the Polish Language

Sunday 22nd May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

(Church opens at 8:15am)

9am Mass (Grant Alborough)

11am Mass (Amelia Martins, Jose Brites, Palmira
Ribeiro and Family)

12:45pm Mass in the Polish Language

Thursday 26th May

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

7pm Mass (Father Jerome Fagan)

Saturday 28th May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

(Retiring Collection for World Communications Day)

(Church opens at 5pm)

5:30pm Mass (Father Jerome and all clergy)

7pm Mass in the Polish Language

Sunday 29th May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

(Retiring Collection for World Communications Day)

(Church opens at 8:15am)

9am Mass (Kate Brown)

11am Mass (Peter O'Donnell)

12:45pm Mass in the Polish Language


**You remain dispensed from the Sunday and
Holy Day Obligation to attend Mass.**

Offertory Collection

The total for 14th /15th May was £1430.27 approx. Thank you for all you do to support the mission of Saint Mary's Parish.

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Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Sue Sarson can be contacted via the Presbytery Office.

Response to the Psalm

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' **Alleluia.**

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father;

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen

CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE WORKING HOURS

Helena will be working from home every Monday and the Presbytery and Church will be closed on that day every week. Helena will be working from the Presbytery Office Tuesday to Friday 9am-2pm.

**SATURDAY 28TH MAY/SUNDAY 29TH MAY
RETIRING COLLECTION**

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

The theme for the 2022 World Day of Social Communications, chosen by Pope Francis, invites us to reflect that listening involves more than simply the sense of hearing. Next Sunday, World Communications Day, we take up the command of Jesus to preach the Good News of the Gospel to the whole world. Vital to this is good communication - through our websites, publications and social media channels. The Bishops' Conference works hard to forge positive relationships with media outlets to communicate news relating to every aspect of the life of the Catholic Church and her people. We thank you for your continued support.

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/world-communications-day/>



LITTLEWAY
HEALING MINISTRIES

'Freedom through Jesus'

We continue to run twice monthly evenings of Praise, Prayer and Healing using Zoom.

Everyone is most welcome to join us!

Our next event dates are:

**Thurs 2nd June; Tues 21st June; Thurs 7th July; Tues 19th July;
Thurs 4th Aug and Tues 16th Aug all from 7pm -9pm.**

Zoom meeting link: <https://zoom.us/j/98503370245>

Meeting ID: 985 0337 0245 Password: 643344



LITTLEWAY
HEALING MINISTRIES

Freedom through Jesus

Our Healing of Memories Foundation Courses have resumed in 2022 with the following schedule:

Mon 16th - Sun 22nd May at Mullaghmore, Ireland

Mon 6th - Sun 12th June at Clare Priory, Suffolk

Mon 15th - Sun 21st Aug at St Columba's House, Woking and

Mon 3rd - Sun 9th Oct at Clare Priory, Suffolk

These Courses are for those people who would like to know more about Evangelisation and the role of Healing Ministry within it. They are an initial training for the Healing of Memories Prayer and are intended only for those who either already pray with others or are prepared to learn how to do so.

As well as daily Mass and times of quiet prayer the six-day Course contains times of praise, teaching, reading from the scriptures, and testimonies. Each person will have the opportunity to receive Healing of Memories Prayer led by an experienced team member. Courses start at 5pm on a Monday and end after lunch on the following Sunday.

People are encouraged to come, if possible, with others from their Parish. After a Course, participants may join a local Littleway Cell Group. You will need to be able to attend the whole of the course.

If you have any questions about the Foundation Course and would like to talk to us before booking, please call us on +44 (0) 7936 269 143.

www.littlewayhealingministries.com

THE CATCHMENT MAGAZINE

Saint Thomas More High School pupils have recently produced and launched their new magazine to celebrate the local community. They will be selling copies after 11am Mass on Sunday 29th May at a cost of £4 a copy. Please do all you can to support our local school and to enable them to produce further editions.

ST MARY'S CARITAS CENTRE UPDATE

Work on the building continues to progress well with work still scheduled to be completed for Saturday 11th June. Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback and support for the preparations to open the centre. We're really excited about making use of the new space together very soon. As ever if you do have any queries, suggestions or ways that you want to get involved please do get in touch:

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th June at 7pm in the parish rooms. All ladies most welcome.

THE FRIENDS OF ST THOMAS MORE

The Friends of St Thomas More are welcoming any new members. Come and join our team of parents and community members to help fundraise for our school. We meet four or five times a year and plan and run events such as school discos, tuck shops, teas and coffees for events, and our most recent Band Night event. It would be lovely to have new members from our local communities. Please email admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk and we will be in touch with you with more information and a friendly welcome.

GIFT AID OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you pay tax and are interested in joining the scheme, please speak to Helena, we have lost several donors over the last couple of years – it is very simple to join and the church will benefit from an extra 20% on top of your offertory donation. Thank you.

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.

Please contact Martin Massey if you are interested in attending 01270 567263.

LOURDES GROUP

So far this year 30 pilgrims have signed up to go to Lourdes, including 10 youngsters under 18. With rising costs, your donations in your Smarties tubes are now more than ever important. Please do keep them coming in and thank you for your support.

If you are interested in going to Lourdes or would like more information, please contact Martin Massey on 01270 567263.

MISSIO ENVELOPES

Please would all red box owners, who haven't done so already, empty their boxes into the envelopes provided and return them to the office by the end of May. Many thanks for your continued support.

READING GROUP

The next Reading Group will meet on Tuesday 7th June at 2:30pm at Wistaston Hall. We will be reading and discussing 'I am David' by Ann Holm. All welcome. For further information, please contact: Sheila Kane, 588320.

SCRIPTURE GROUP

Meets weekly on Thursdays from 10:45-11:45am in the Parish rooms. All are most welcome to attend. The next meeting will be on Thursday 26th May at 10:45am. Please contact Margaret Hughes 01270 668873 or Sheila Kane 01270 588320 for further information.

ST MARY'S SVP – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The SVP will meet in the parish rooms at the Presbytery on Wednesday 1st June at 10:30am.

IT In House Support Closing Date Friday 17 June 2022.

The Diocese is seeking to employ a full time IT In House Support member at the Curial Office in Birkenhead. For more information, please see our website

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> completed CV's to be sent to Pauline McCulloch
recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

VACANCY: FOUNDATION GOVERNOR

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Dane Bank Avenue, Crewe, CW2 8AD



Would you like to make a difference to your local community and improve the lives of local children?

Can you build relationships with a range of people, work as part of a team, and ask challenging questions? If you can answer YES to any of these questions, then why not consider becoming a foundation governor at St Mary's Catholic Primary School.

What are Foundation Governors?

Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop to serve as his representatives on the governing body of diocesan schools to ensure the religious character of the school is preserved and developed. They have a strategic role to play as well as providing a source of challenge and support to the Head Teacher.

What we are looking for

We are looking for self-motivated, determined and enthusiastic Foundation Governors with a few hours a month to spare to join our team. Foundation Governors will have oversight of the curriculum and are accountable for the performance of the school. A full induction and training programme is available to help support the development as a Governor.

What does the role offer?

- A sense of achievement in helping to make a difference to young people's progress and achievement.
- Access to a programme of free governor training and development courses.
- The opportunity to develop your own personal and leadership/management skills.

More information on the role and application forms can be obtained from the school office admin@stmarysrc.cheshire.sch.uk or via email to the Governor Clerk sarah.lomas@cheshireeast.gov.uk