



ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY

St Agnes Church

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Sunday 17th April 2022

Easter Sunday (Gospel: John 20:1-9)

WEEK COMMENCING 17 th April 2022		Church	Intentions
Easter Vigil Saturday 16 th April: 9pm	Mass	St Agnes	St Agnes & St Catherine's parishioners
Easter Sunday 17 th April: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Sr Loretta Madigan FCJ (RIP)
Easter Sunday 17 th April: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Les Davies (Anniversary)
Monday 18 th April: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Tuesday 19 th April: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Wednesday 20 th April: 9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 21 st April: 9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Jack Turner (Anniversary)
Friday 22 nd April: 9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Saturday 23 rd April: 5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Ray O'Neill (Anniversary)
Sunday 24 th April: 9am	Mass and online via Zoom	St Catherine's	Betty Blackburn (Anniversary)
Sunday 24 th April: 10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention

PLEASE PRAY for all who have died recently and their families especially Patricia Gillbanks, Francis Franey, Eileen Webster and Joseph Whitfield.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Fr Robin Sutton and Deacon Bernard McConnell.

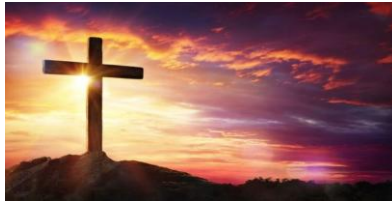
WE WELCOME Imogen Lavery to our Parish Community following her baptism at St Agnes last Sunday.



ONLINE MASS via Zoom is on **Sunday** at **9am**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84015861524>

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION: Easter is the pivotal day in the Christian calendar. As Paul wrote, "If Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins" (1 Cor. 15:17). At the heart of the Christian faith is the paschal mystery – Jesus's life, death and resurrection some two thousand years ago. But the events we celebrate at Easter do not belong only to the past. Rather, on Easter Sunday the past, present and future come together. The genesis of Christian faith in Jesus's resurrection is captured in the empty tomb story in John 20. On Easter Sunday morning Mary Magdalene came to Jesus's tomb and found it empty. She had seen Jesus die and knew where he was buried. At her bidding, Peter and the beloved disciple went to the tomb, and they too found it empty. On entering the tomb (a large cave cut out of the limestone surrounding Jerusalem), they discovered Jesus's burial cloths neatly arranged but no corpse. And yet the beloved disciple, according to John, "saw and he believed." What did the beloved disciple see and believe? He saw that Jesus's tomb was empty and believed that Jesus had been raised from the dead. On Easter Sunday we celebrate the victory of life over death. Easter means that physical death is not the end of us. Having conquered death, the resurrection of Jesus means we now enjoy a new creation and so a new way of looking at life.

Fr David, Fr John, Sr Monica, Deacon Peter and Deacon Basil wish you a Happy Easter filled with peace and joy!



WIRRAL FOODBANK urgently require the following items: tinned meat, tinned tomatoes, squash, sugar (small packet if possible), UHT milk, instant mash, tinned fruit, jam, deodorant and washing up liquid. If you would like to donate any of these items, please use the Foodbank box at the back of church. Thank you for your support and also to our team of volunteers who take the items to the Foodbank weekly.

POVERTY CHALLENGE: See, Judge, Act: Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read it at www.csan.org.uk.

MISSION IN THE ECONOMY wishes to appoint a part-time Lead Chaplain to coordinate, manage and develop Chaplaincy activities in Merseyside Police. The Lead Chaplain to Merseyside Police will work with volunteer chaplains from all denominations. This post is open to both lay and ordained people. They will usually be located at Merseyside Police HQ, Liverpool but may be required to attend elsewhere within the region. The role is 24 hours/week and salary is £18,994 p.a. For an application pack please contact: info@mite.org.uk For further information contact: Emma Howarth on 0743 6361376 or 07597 793960. Closing date for applications: 22nd April 2022 5pm.



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