



NEWS FROM THE PARISHES OF ST AGNES, WEST KIRBY AND ST CATHERINE'S, HOYLAKE

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 2nd April 2023 – Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord
Sunday 9th April 2023 – Easter Sunday

WEEK COMMENCING 2nd April 2023			Church	Intentions
Saturday 1 st April	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Grillo Luiginoz
Sunday 2 nd April: Palm Sunday	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	Billy Agnew
Sunday 2 nd April: Palm Sunday	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Elizabeth Keenan
Monday 3 rd April	9.15am	Requiem Mass for Ann Madeley	St Agnes	~
Tuesday 4 th April	12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Stephen Cammack
Wednesday 5 th April	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Phil Riby
Thursday 6 th April: Holy Thursday	7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	St Agnes	Daniela Brandão
Friday 7 th April: Good Friday	11.00am	Children's Stations of the Cross	St Catherine's	~
Friday 7 th April: Good Friday	3.00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	St Agnes	~
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Saturday 8 th April: Easter Vigil	8.00pm	Mass	St Agnes	John & Pamela Kentleton
Sunday 9 th April: Easter Sunday	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	Departed loved ones
Sunday 9 th April: Easter Sunday	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Departed loved ones
Monday 10 th April	10.00am	Mass	St Agnes	Philip Pye
Tuesday 11 th April	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Wednesday 12 th April	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 13 th April	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Friday 14 th April	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Friday 14 th April	11.00am	Funeral Service for James Whittam	St Agnes	~
Saturday 15 th April	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Teresa Little
Sunday 16 th April	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	Margaret Crawford
Sunday 16 th April	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Celia Ann Glover

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Rose Bradbury, Eileen Browne, Paula Hudson, Josephine Kellam, Ann Madeley, Isobel Morrissey, Francis O'Connell, James Whittam and Victor Young.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Ronald Lewis.

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

AN EASTER PRESENTATION by Meols Community Choir will take place on Sunday 2nd April at 6pm at St John's, Meols.

TAIZE at St John's, Meols will take place on Easter Sunday 9th April at 6pm. All very welcome.

SCRIPTURE GROUP is taking a short break over Easter and will resume on Thursday 20th April at 7.30pm at St. Agnes.

ADORATION: There will be no Adoration at St Catherine's on Wednesday 5th April or Wednesday 12th April. It will resume on Wednesday 19th April at 7pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will take place on Good Friday at 7pm at St Catherine's.

PALM SUNDAY: Children are invited to wave palms ahead of the processions into church at the beginning of Mass.

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A MESSAGE FROM FR DAVID - CELEBRATING EASTER

The season of Lent leads us to the three Easter Liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Vigil. Think of them as three parts of one great act of prayer and please try to commit yourself to taking part in all three. One of our most precious commodities is time. The Easter Liturgies are longer than Sunday Mass but in this Holy Week of the year, let us give of our time generously to God: to hear again the great stories of God's providence; to pray earnestly for the peace of our world and the needs of the church; to beg God's inspiration and direction of our life and parishes.

HOLY WEEK 2023

Holy Thursday 6th April	7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper	St Agnes
Good Friday 7th April	11am: Children's Stations of the Cross 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion	St Catherine's St Catherine's St Agnes
Easter Vigil 8th April	8pm: Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter	St Agnes
Easter Sunday 9th April	9am: Mass 10.30am: Mass	St Catherine's St Agnes

EASTER LILIES: you are invited to 'buy' a lily in memory of a departed loved one by placing a small donation and the name of the person in an envelope and popping it through the door of St Agnes' or St Catherine's presbytery. Donations will be given to CAFOD and Mary's Meals. The lilies will be used to decorate church during Easter and the Easter Sunday Masses will be offered for their names.

Online course on Vatican II: Part III The Church. The first podcast on *Lumen Gentium* is now available at dioceseofshrewsbury.org. together with 3 handouts for downloading or printing: An Introduction to LG; A visual presentation of its 8 chapters; An outline of issues addressed in it. A leaflet outlining the content of all the podcasts in the series is available in the parish. Should you have difficulty accessing this material, any questions or reflections, please don't hesitate to call Barbara Davies on 07730 526821.

GIFT AID: If you are a UK tax payer, you can 'gift aid' your contributions to the parish – this allows us to claim 25p from the government for every £1 you donate. It is such a good way to boost parish funds. All you need to do is complete a Gift Aid Declaration. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like a form. If you donate via the digital collection station at St Catherine's, you do not even need to complete a form. Just enter your details on the reader when prompted, and gift aid will be claimed automatically each time you donate using the same card.

THANK YOU to all involved in the organisation of last Saturday's 'Ceilidh for the Climate' at St Agnes. It was a great success and lots of fun was had by all!

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to recruit a Membership Support Officer for the Shrewsbury Diocese. This is a part time, home based role (15 hours per week) working as part of the SVP Membership Team, to support member recruitment and development, provide general support for members and be the link between local Conferences and National Office. For further information and details of how to apply, contact Lance Philpott, Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk. Closing date for applications is Sunday 16 April 2023.



LENT WIRRAL FOODBANK APPEAL: Thank you for your continued response to the Foodbank Appeal at St Catherine's. Your support each week to this appeal has been fantastic! This Sunday it is 'Easter Treat' week. Any donations of Easter egg/treats would be very gratefully received. (The trolley has kindly been loaned to us by Sainsbury's in Hoylake.)

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