



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 24th December 2023 – 4th Sunday of Advent (Gospel: Luke 1:26-38)

Sunday 31st December 2023 – The Holy Family (Gospel: Luke 2:22-40)

Sunday 7th January 2024 – The Epiphany of the Lord (Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12)

WEEK COMMENCING 24 th December			Church	Intentions
Saturday 23 rd December	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Mgr G W Tickle
Sunday 24 th December	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	John Hill
Sunday 24 th December	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 24 th December	5pm	Christmas Eve Family Mass	St Catherine's	Hazelhurst Family
Sunday 24 th December	7.45pm*	Christmas Eve Vigil Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Monday 25 th December	9am	The Nativity of the Lord	St Catherine's	Blackburn Family
Monday 25 th December	10.30am	The Nativity of the Lord	St Agnes	Parishioners
Tuesday 26 th December	12noon	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Wednesday 27 th December	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 28 th December	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Special Intention (AF)
Friday 29 th December	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Jane & Jack
Saturday 30 th December	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Annie Sumner
Sunday 31 st December	9.00am	Mass (+ online)	St Catherine's	Marie Lambe (RIP)
Sunday 31 st December	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Monday 1 st January	10.00am	Mass	St Agnes	Desmond Harvey
Tuesday 2 nd January	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Bishop Ronald Alvarez
Wednesday 3 rd January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Private Intention (TM)
Thursday 4 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Arthur Platt
Friday 5 th January	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Sheila Lightbound (RIP)
Saturday 6 th January	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Patrick Gallagher
Sunday 7 th January	9.00am	Mass (+online)	St Catherine's	Michelle Smith
Sunday 7 th January	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Ray O'Neill
Monday 8 th January	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Tuesday 9 th January	12noon	Mass	St Catherine's	Patrick Gallagher
Wednesday 10 th January	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Thursday 11 th January	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Catherine's	~
Friday 12 th January	9.15am	Service of Word & Communion	St Agnes	~
Saturday 13 th January	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Peter Carr (RIP)
Sunday 14 th January	9am	Mass (+online)	St Catherine's	Jack Turner
Sunday 14 th January	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners



FR DAVID, FR JOHN, SR MONICA and DEACONS JOHN, TONY, BASIL, PETER wish you peace and joy over this Christmas Season. Thank you for all your cards and gifts.



WE WELCOME Lucia and Gianna Williamson to our Parish Community following their baptisms last Sunday at St Agnes and Emmanuel Silvester who was baptised at St Catherine's on Sunday 3rd December.

ADORATION and SCRIPTURE GROUP will now be taking a break over Christmas and will resume in the New Year.

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families.

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

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this month and their families including John Hill and David Smith.

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

***ST AGNES CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS** will begin at 7.45pm with carols prior to and leading into Mass at 8pm. Please be seated by 7.40 pm.

THANK YOU! To everyone who has given their time and effort to ensure the smooth running of both parishes this year.

THANK YOU FROM WEST KIRBY MUSICAL THEATRE COMPANY: Thanks to Fr David and all those who supported our recent WKMTC Christmas Concert at St Agnes - we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. A great big thank you must go to Chris and Eileen for baking the delicious mince pies and their lovely team for serving the refreshments, also Veronica for her Advent decorations. They all worked so hard and gave their time so willingly. Best wishes, Fran and John WKMTC.

PARISH CHRISTMAS POST: a big thank you to all the volunteers who gave their time and energy to do the deliveries at this busy time of the year. Their efforts were much appreciated.

DIOCESAN JOB VACANCY: A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Secretary at the parish of Holy Cross, Our Lady & St Paul, Birkenhead. For further details please see <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

TALKING TOGETHER WIRRAL: You don't have to "just get on with it". Free, confidential NHS Talking Therapies are proven to work: they can help you feel more like yourself again. Take action to improve your mood; contact Talking Together Wirral for an appointment: 0151 649 1859 talkingtogetherwirral.org



Contactless donations at St Agnes

A DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE is available to use at the back of church. If you wish, you can use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate on the screen and hold your card onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid (one off registration) to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. Thank you for your support. If you do have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



WIRRAL FOODBANK ITEMS: tinned fruit, UHT milk, tinned custard, tinned spaghetti and packet soup. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you for your support.



Do you have any items for the newsletter? Would you like to receive the newsletter electronically each week? Please email St Catherine's (scathhoylake@gmail.com) or St Agnes (stagneswestkirby@gmail.com).

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