



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

Parish Priest: Fr David Roberts



Sunday 20th July 2025 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 10: 38-42)

Sunday 27th July 2025 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 11: 1-13)

Sunday 3rd August 2025 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 12: 13-21)

WEEK COMMENCING 20 th July			Church	Intentions
Saturday 19th July	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Chris & Karen Ryan 30th wedding anniversary
Sunday 20th July	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Margaret Murphy (RIP)
Sunday 20th July	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Monday 21 st July	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Nigel Harvey
Tuesday 22 nd July	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Harry & James Young
Wednesday 23 rd July	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Pat Longo
Thursday 24 th July	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Hilda Blackburn (birthday)
Friday 25 th July	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Saturday 26th July	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Mary Constantine
Sunday 27th July	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Jack Turner
Sunday 27th July	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Monday 28 th July	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Tuesday 29 th July	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Angela Duffy (RIP)
Wednesday 30 th July	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Thursday 31 st July	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Angela Duffy (RIP)
Friday 1 st August	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Saturday 2nd August	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 3rd August	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	In memory of Bruno & Renato
Sunday 3rd August	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Daniel Constantine
Monday 4 th August	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Tuesday 5 th August	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Special Intention
Wednesday 6 th August	7.00pm	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Thursday 7 th August	9.15am	Mass	St Catherine's	Special Intention
Friday 8 th August	9.15am	Mass	St Agnes	Special Intention
Saturday 9th August	5.30pm	Mass	St Agnes	Parishioners
Sunday 10th August	9.00am	Mass	St Catherine's	Joyce Carter (RIP)
Sunday 10th August	10.30am	Mass	St Agnes	Sumner Family

PLEASE PRAY for all those who have died recently and their families especially Julie Brett, Anne Jeanette Davies, Angela Duffy (St C's), Bernard Weaver and Rosemary Wyatt.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those who are sick especially Angela Gough, Pauline Hall and Ben Wills-Eve.

PLEASE remember in your prayers all those whose anniversaries occur this month and their families.

ADORATION at St Catherine's is on Wednesdays at 7pm. **ROSARY AT ST AGNES** is on Monday evenings at 7pm.

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SCRIPTURE GROUP at St Agnes is every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms at St Agnes. The group will be pausing over the summer and the final session will be on Thursday 31st July.

FR DAVID'S GOSPEL REFLECTION 16th SUNDAY: The episode narrated in Luke 10 takes place at the house of Martha and Mary. While enjoying their hospitality, Jesus takes the opportunity to continue his teaching ministry. Mary joins in the session, while her sister Martha attends to the needs of their guests. The inclusion of a woman in such a session would have been unusual in first-century Palestinian society. This kind of religious discourse was generally limited to men in Jesus's time. In patriarchal societies, there was (and is) a strict division of labour along gender lines. There is "women's work" and "men's work." In today's text Martha dutifully performs "women's work" by serving her guests and seeing to the practical aspects of hospitality. Meanwhile, Martha becomes annoyed that Mary fails to help her because she is with the men listening to Jesus. Instead of directing Mary to help Martha, Jesus admonishes Martha for being overly concerned with household matters and suggests that Mary has chosen "the better part." Jesus's willingness to include women in his teaching activity provides an important challenge to our church and society today.

ST CATHERINE'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP is taking a break over the summer holidays. There are LOOK sheets available at the back of church each Sunday, so please do help yourself!

STEPS OF HOPE: This summer a local volunteer will walk from his home in Upton to attend a Sunday Mass at all 23 churches in the Wirral Deaneries to raise money for Caritas Shrewsbury - our Diocesan charity helping children, families and communities. The walks will total 65 miles (100Km). He will be attending St Catherine's on Sunday 27th July and St Agnes on Sunday 3rd August. To donate please use the link: <https://donate.givetap.co.uk/d/m9bh0bhh> or the QR code on the poster at the back of church. Please also consider regular giving to support their vital work: www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk

WIRRAL COASTAL WALK FOR THE SVP: The SVP would like to thank parishioners for responding so generously to their appeal for sponsorship. The walk was successfully completed and to date the magnificent sum of £757.20 has been received. Any outstanding monies may be given to an SVP member or posted through the presbytery door in an envelope and marked 'SVP'. Thank you.

DIOCESAN JUBILEE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Next week the Pilgrimage will depart for Lourdes. There are almost 430 pilgrims this year, which is the biggest number since covid. On Sunday 27 July they will be joining the International Mass at 9.30am (8.30am UK time) and on Monday 28 July they will be joining with Hexham & Newcastle Diocese at the Grotto for Mass at 10am (9am UK time). Both Masses will be available to watch on Lourdes TV via www.lourdes-france.com.

CURRY NIGHT FOR LOURDES FUNDRAISING: There is a Curry Night at Wallasey Hive, Poulton Road, Wallasey on Monday 28th July to raise money for the Wirral and Chester Across Groups pilgrimages to Lourdes. Cost £15. Starts 7pm. There may be help with transport from Hoylake/West Kirby. To reserve a place, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881 656974 or tonymurphyfc2002@yahoo.co.uk.

ST AGNES' CRIB FIGURES RESTORATION APPEAL: THANK YOU for your generous donations – we have now reached our goal of £2,000! The figures will now be able to be restored in time for Advent and Christmas. Thank you for your support.



FOODBANK ITEMS: tinned vegetables, tinned rice pudding, tinned potatoes, packet soup, jam and packet rice. Collection boxes can be found at the back of each church. Thank you.

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



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