

Our Lady

Help of Christians



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MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Private Intention
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Ann & Pat Kearns
Monday	1.00pm	Jean Hawksworth (Requiem)
Tuesday	9.00am	Sr Agnes
Wednesday	9.00am	Private Intention
Thursday	9.00am	Special Intention (TC)
Friday	9.00am	Holy Souls

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Margaret & James Durkin
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Peter O’Ryan

Novena	Wednesday after Mass
Confessions	Saturday 11.00 to 11.30am & 5.30 to 6.00pm
Meditation	Saturday 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team E

Geraldine Simmons, Teracina Taylor, Jim Davies, Ken Fidler

GARDEN PARTY

Is it just me or was that the best ever garden party? I found it amazing. First of all I was amazed at the weather. My heart sunk as I drove to Widnes and it started to rain. I got the people to pray at the Masses and could the weather have been better? Praise God. Next I was amazed at the amount of help under Nina’s amazing leadership. There was the setting up, the running of it and the clearing away. By 6.00pm no one would know that there had been a garden party. The food was also amazing but even more amazing considering that when they went to collect the food which had been ordered in advance only half the amount ordered was there. How they managed to produce what they produced at the last minute is beyond me. But they did and it was wonderful. We had the ukulele band, the choir and the amazing Irish dancer to entertain us and they really did. Then there was the face painting, the children’s games, the popcorn and candy floss. Then there was the raffle and even I won a prize. And last but by no means least there was the beautiful garden which is so well kept and looked beautiful. Is it any wonder I was amazed? Thank you to all for such a great effort. You made an old Parish Priest very happy. May God bless and reward you.

SHARE KNOWSLEY

On behalf of SHARE Knowsley I am writing to thank you firstly for allowing me to speak at your church and the warm welcome everyone gave to me. Secondly for the very generous donations from your parishioners. When I came to speak, I unexpectedly received a total of £84.61 that people so kindly gave to me. Then Paul Crowe gave me the very handsome sum of £975 this week from your retiring collection. All I can say is: WOW!! That is just simply amazing — over £1000! I am just overwhelmed by the generosity of the parish. Be assured that this money will be put to good use in assisting the asylum seekers and refugees we serve in the Knowsley areas. Please can you pass on my thanks to everyone for their kindness and support. It is so very much appreciated.

MINSTERACRES RETREAT BREAK

Just a reminder that the Coach will leave Portico Lane at 11.45 on Tuesday 1st August for Minsteracres Annual Retreat. Can you please ensure all outstanding payments are made asap if not already done so. A few places still remain if anyone would like to join us on this retreat which is a chance to make new friends and join in thoughtful reflection with fun evenings and family activities. The cost for the week is £390 which includes coach, meals and trips out. Visit local villages, beaches and towns or enjoy a peaceful stroll around the stunning grounds of the Minsteracres House. Any further information can be obtained from MARGARET on 01744 734629 or mobile 07814 906645 or ANNETTE on 07510 248897.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 10th September to Friday 14th September - Evenings .Fr. Chris Thomas, will be leading a week of parish reflection and renewal. Make the most of this sacred time now we have our restored, sacred space.