

# ***Our Lady***

## ***Help of Christians***



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### **20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 19 AUGUST 2018**

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#### **MASSES THIS WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	Margaret Swift
Sunday	9.00am	Kenneth Read
	10.30am	People of the Parish
Monday	9.00am	Terry Follin
Tuesday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
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Thursday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion

#### **MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	Private Intention
Sunday	9.00am	Private Intention
	10.30am	Private Intention

Novena	No novena this week
Confessions	No confessions this week
Meditation	Saturday 10.15am

**Counters team next Sunday - Team A**  
**Sue & John Murray Paul Toole Martin Kernick**

#### **THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

An Introduction: Founded in 1833 by Blessed Frederic Ozanam, the St Vincent de Paul Society is a Christ-centred organisation made up of almost 10,000 volunteers across England and Wales. While every Conference is unique, our mission is the same; to seek and find those in need, to help them in the spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can. With Christian values at our core, staff and Members of the St Vincent de Paul Society operate on the ground in a variety of different ways including visiting and befriending the lonely, assisting in our shops and volunteering in one of our many community support projects. We also support vital work overseas. Over the next month, you may hear about us in your lectern addresses and see our posters on the Parish notice board. If you would like to know more about the work that takes place in your local Conference please get in touch with the President of your local group. Conference contact: Hilary Shacklady 01744 601996

#### **FOOD BANK APPEAL**

Over the last few weeks the food bank in St Helens has had to deal with a higher demand for emergency supplies, which now need to be replenished. Therefore we are having a food collection Sat.1st & Sun.2nd September. Please bring your donations of non perishable foods to the hall, which will be open 30 minutes before mass and will be gratefully received.

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Fr David Potter reminded me about the Eucharistic Adoration I used to have before Mass but have not reintroduced now that we are back in church. How could I forget? Pope Francis is very keen on Eucharistic Adoration knowing its power. Recently he said: "One cannot know the Lord without being in the habit of adoring, of adoring in silence. Yet I believe, if I am not mistaken, that this prayer of adoration is the least known among us; it is the one we engage in the least. To waste time – if I may say it – before the Lord, before the mystery of Jesus Christ. He is the Lord and I adore Him."

I'm so pleased that I reintroduced this powerful prayer. So pleased too with the silence this last week while The Blessed Sacrament was exposed on the altar. People were obviously giving Jesus their full attention and talking to Him alone. That is just as it should be .

#### **MASS OFFERINGS**

I feel that I must once again apologise. I am allowed to say one Mass a day. However, I get a lot more Mass offerings than I can offer. I therefore have to send them to be said on the missions. The week before last I sent ninety away.

#### **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.