

Our Lady

Help of Christians



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MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Private Intention
Sunday	9.00am	Private Intention
	10.30am	Private Intention
Monday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Thursday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Angela Houghton
Sunday	9.00am	Margaret Whittle
	10.30am	Gerald McCormac

Novena	Novena after service on Wednesday
Confessions	No confessions this week
Meditation	Saturday 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team B

Barry & Maureen Chorley Marjorie Fox Bernadette Anderson

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Facts about the St Vincent de Paul Society; What We Do In Numbers !

The focus of our work at the St Vincent de Paul Society is visiting and befriending people living in isolation and poverty. The people we visit could be refugees, the elderly, the homeless, people staying in hospital or care homes, people with mental health issues or offenders. Conference Members work on the ground level, face-to-face with the people they help. Here are a few statistics highlighting the work of our Conferences.

Last year over 9,500 members helped 75,000 beneficiaries

- 45% of the people we visited were the elderly in their own homes
- The Society made over 470,000 visits
- Material & practical assistance was offered to over 88,000 people and families

If you would like to know more about the SVP or if you are interested in joining the Society, please get in touch with the President of our local Conference: 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.

THE MYSTERY OF GOD

To see the universe through the eyes of love helps us make sense of evolution, not as a process of cold, blind chance or randomness, but one of passion, yearning, novelty, union, gift, suffering, death, and new life. Love is the faithful heart of the cosmos, the constancy of all life; yet love seeks to become more being-in-love and hence is the energy of change. . . . The name "God" points to this mystery of love in its unlimited depth, the centre of all that is; love that overflows onto new life. God is not a supernatural Being hovering above earth, but the supra-personal whole, the Omega, who exists in all and through all. Gateway to Silence by Richard Rhor

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

"God has a project for each of us, He 'calls' everyone. What is important is knowing how to recognise this call, how to accept it, and how to be faithful to it." Saint Pope John Paul II. Monday 10th September to Friday 14th September, Fr. Chris Thomas, will be leading a week of parish reflection and renewal. Come and make the most of this sacred time to reflect upon God's call for you.

RED BOXES

The red boxes are now due for emptying. Please try to bring them in before the end of September. Fr Kevin Hughes is making his appeal for new box holders and helpers here at the end of September. Thank you. God bless. Bernadette

CANADA

Greetings and blessings from Canada where I am visiting cousins with one of my six sisters. What a blessing it is. I am loving every minute of it