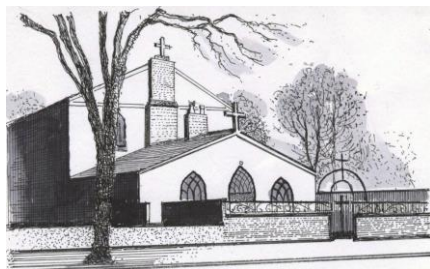


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MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	George Comerford
Sunday	9.00am	Brian Gaskell
	10.30am	People of the Parish
Monday	9.00am	Thanksgiving for Matthew Lee
Tuesday	11.00am	Sydney Stapleton (Requiem)
Wednesday	11.00am	Thomas Bryan Callaghan (Requiem)
Thursday	9.00am	Fr Michael Lakeland
Friday	9.00am	Holy Souls

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Val Highton
Sunday	9.00am	David Hughes
	10.30am	People of the Parish

Novena	No Novena this Week
Confessions	Saturday 11.00 to 11.30am & 5.30 to 6.00pm
Meditation	Monday after Mass & Saturday 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team B
Barry & Maureen Chorley, Marjorie Fox, Bernadette Anderson
PURIFICATORS NEXT WEEK
Anne Wilson, Stella Lavelle

SACRED HOSTS

Can you imagine the HORROR when one of the ladies who cleans the church found a number of Sacred Hosts, which had obviously been in someone's mouth, stuffed between a bench and the wall half way up the church on the little aisle on the left. The rest of us felt sick at the thought of treating The Lord's Most Sacred Body like that. I keep thinking that it must be a child. If so, I appeal to parents to ensure that children consume the host if they receive. If it was an adult it beggars belief. Forgot to say that it wasn't 1/2 but 7/8.

PARISH ACTIVITY GROUPS

The parish has recently received some modified advice on its charitable status within the Archdiocese, which has implications for parish activity groups that have financial relationships with the parish. The Finance and Administration Committee has looked into this and concluded that it would be advisable to meet the groups to explain these implications and to offer assistance with any transitional arrangements that may be necessary. The meeting has been scheduled for **Monday 2 September at 6.30pm** in the parish house. Although it is primarily intended for groups using parish financial arrangements, the meeting is open to all activity groups, and will include an opportunity for wider discussions and updates. Please let Tony Redmond (tred240290@aol.com) know the name(s) of your nominees by 25 August.

GIFT AID

Letters concerning gift aid are available in the porch. If you are gift aiding the parish **PLEASE** take your copy. If you are gift aiding and there is no letter for you please let me know.

LOST PROPERTY

There are quite a few items in the lost property box: gloves, glasses, umbrellas etc. If the items are not claimed by Sunday 8th September they will be donated to charity. The Lost Property box is located in the corridor by the church shop.

FOODBANK COLLECTION 7th & 8th SEPTEMBER

Please help to re-stock your local Foodbanks and help them to Feed the Hungry. We would be grateful if you could bring your donations of non-perishable foods to the chapel 30 mins. before mass on Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th September. You will find a list of suggested non-perishable foods and toiletries on the Parish notice board. (J&P Gro

J&P GROUP

Our next meeting will be held in St Luke's Presbytery at 7.30 pm on Thurs, 5th Sept. Please join us to discover more.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting of the Our Lady's, Portico and St. Julie's Dementia Support Group is on Tuesday 3rd September 2019 - 1pm at St. Julie's Presbytery, Howards Lane, Eccleston. It is an opportunity for Carers to meet up and gain emotional and practical support. Carers are more than welcome to bring along the person they care for. **Do you care for**, or have cared for someone with **memory problems**, then come along, you will be very welcome. For further information please contact Joan O'Hanlon on 07984 735 590.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE

There will be a collection in aid of the CES after all Masses next weekend. That is the body that ensures we get the best possible deal for our schools. Great work.