

Our Lady

Help of Christians



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MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Special Intention (KF)
Sunday	9.00am	Brian Gaskell
	10.30am	Pat Bishop
Monday	9.00am	William Winstanley
Tuesday	9.00am	People of the Parish
Wednesday	9.00am	Bill Kennedy
Thursday	9.00am	Michael McGuire
Friday	9.00am	Holy Souls

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	John Coughlin
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Enid Dewerson

Novena	Novena after Mass on Wednesday
Confessions	Saturday 11.00
Meditation	Saturday 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team E

Geraldine Simmons, Teracina Taylor, Jim Davies, Ken Fidler

CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE

There will be a collection after all Masses this weekend in aid of the Catholic Education Service – the CES. This is a body of very high-powered people who fight to ensure that we get the best possible deal for our Catholic schools in this country. We need them at the moment as all faith schools are under threat.

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Home Mission Sunday. It is a day we pray for the spread of the gospel in our own country. A collection will be taken up after each Mass to support this work

FOOD BANK APPEAL

Thank you so much for your response to the food bank collection last week. We took donations of 63 food bags to The Hope Centre in St. Helens who were overwhelmed by your generosity and thank you all for your support. A receipt from them for your donations is on the notice board.

50 PLUS GROUP - OUTING TO LLANDUDNO

The 50 Plus Group outing to Llandudno is on Wednesday 12th September leaving Portico Church at 09:45am, and leaving Llandudno at 4:00pm. Please bring any outstanding monies on the day.

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

This week of Awareness Month we would like to share with you a story highlighting the work of an SVP Conference, highlighting just one example of the ways in which our Members assist people in need. "Rosamund, a lady in her late 50s, was suddenly abandoned by her husband of nearly 40 years, who left with another woman. She was devastated and found herself almost destitute, no longer able to afford the rent on her flat. She managed to find a cheaper flat in another area, away from her former husband, but had no resources to get started, and as he had taken much of their furniture and household equipment, she needed help in her new home. With the support of the SVP, who purchased a cooker and a fridge/freezer for her, and also found good quality furniture through local appeals, she is now beginning to rebuild her life." 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 your local Conference. Conference Contact: Hilary Shacklady 01744 601996

PORTICO FUND RAISERS

Autumn plant sale, Portico Fundraisers will be holding the Autumn plant sale on the weekend of 6th/7th of October. We will have the usual beautiful Autumn annuals plus perennial plants, we will also have a table top sale of varied items plus many Christmas gifts. All monies raised from this event goes to support Intercare and our 2018 nominated charities.

SHARE KNOWSLEY NEWS UPDATE

Thanks to all the generous donations this Summer we enjoyed two fabulous days out at Walton Hall Gardens and Knowsley Safari Park as well as a wonderful Fun Day. Everyone was really appreciative of being able to just relax and forget their problems and even the weather was kind. We are also pleased to announce that we recently received charitable status. In September we are starting English lessons in Huyton; Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30 - 12.30pm and Fridays 1-3pm. We are looking for volunteers to help in the classes as some people may need a bit more one to one support. If you are interested in helping in any way at all please get in touch with Margaret Roche 07479913914

PANTO

We are hoping to do a panto at Christmas in January. The hall is free on Mondays so next Monday, 17th September, there will be a meeting for anyone interested in taking part. It will be in the hall 7 to 8.30pm. We are looking for cast, chorus and people to help make costumes, paint scenery and make props. If you are interested come along to the meeting. The panto will be called "A lad - in - trouble right up to his arm pits".