



Newsletter for the Parishes of St. Catherine of Siena & All Saints and St. Lewis



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SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023 25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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Many of Jesus' parables are difficult. We are invited to place ourselves in the story. Which character do we identify with? To which group would we belong? Sometimes we find ourselves sympathising with the character who turns out to be in the wrong. God's ways are not our ways!

The parable of the labourers in the vineyard is one of those tricky ones. We are drawn into the story, and we feel some sympathy for the crowd who end up grumbling at the landowner. These early birds who were hired at daybreak have done the most work. They have toiled all day in the heat, doing far more labour than those who were hired only at the last minute – yet they all receive the same pay. It's hardly fair, is it? But the landowner makes his point: 'Why be envious because I am generous?' Of course, Jesus anticipates the discomfort of his audience. He uses parables to gently pull the rug from under their feet, to challenge their assumptions, and offer them a new way of thinking that is focused not on themselves, but on the wider community.

Place yourself in the story. If you identify with the grumblers, ask yourself why. Why should we be concerned about what others are getting? Who are we to judge what others deserve? Surely we, too, should want God's love and blessings to be extended to everyone!

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Serving the Communities of Golborne, Lowton, Croft, Culcheth, Risley & Glazebury.*

Covid Advice

Face Coverings: are now optional for people who attend a service in church.

Hand Sanitiser: there is the opportunity to sanitise hands, before and after Mass.

All Saints Food Bank



If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of Long Life Milk (*not Soya or Oat etc...*)

Cereal, Tinned Fruit, Baked Beans and Custard. **Thank You.**

The Afternoon Club... we're back ...

The next meeting of the Afternoon Club will be this coming

Tuesday 26th September from 1.30-3.30pm in the Benedict Room at

All Saints. If anyone from St. Lewis would like to come along but can't get

to All Saints, the SVP have kindly offered to provide transport. Please

contact the parish office on 01942 273851 and we will arrange for the SVP to contact you.

Everyone is Welcome.



Christmas Fair: Meeting This Wednesday 27th September

Sorry we're mentioning the C word again! There will be a meeting in the

Benedict room at All Saints - 7pm on the above date to discuss the Christmas

Fair which is on Saturday 2nd December at All Saints. If you would like to help

please come along to the meeting. **Everyone is more than welcome.**



Family Fast Day: 2nd Collection 8th October

CAFODs Family Fast Day is on Friday 6th October and there will be a 2nd collection on the above date. If you are a tax payer and would like to gift aid your donation, please collect an envelope next week or on the day of the collection.

We pray for the people of Morocco and Libya and all those who have experienced natural disasters or war. May we stand alongside them when they need our help and as they rebuild their lives once more.

Asylum-Seekers Project

The latest batch of goods went off to the Centre last Friday. It contained 143 newly knitted garments, 18 blankets and 5 sacks of good-as-new items.

Well done to everyone...please keep up the good work.

This Week's Joke:

At first, I thought my chiropractor wasn't any good...

...but now I stand corrected !!!!



Care for Creation

In response to the Archdiocese scheme 'Care for Creation' and a need to become more sustainable, 3 raised beds have been constructed adjacent to the cemetery at All Saints church. In these we intend to grow fruit and vegetables for All Saints foodbank, wildflowers to increase biodiversity and flowers for decorating the church, to reduce our carbon footprint associated with imported flowers. To date, the materials needed for our raised beds have been donated and we have a plan to construct more beds. In addition to asking if anyone would like to help either with the construction of the beds and maintenance (*mainly weeding*), we would be more than grateful for donations of wood, paint and topsoil. As the vegetables are intended for the Foodbank we are also asking if you could donate seeds for vegetables and flowers, of course planting will depend on the seasons and the varieties to be planted. **If you are able to donate any seeds or bulbs there is a box in the porch. If you would like to be on the team to help with maintenance or construction (or both) please contact the parish office on 01942 273851.**

Ecumenical Prayer Service: 10th October 3pm at All Saints

Carrying on from Care for Creation *"The Season of Creation"*, which runs from **1st September until 4th October**, the feast of St Francis of Assisi is part of the Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudate Si*, and will be celebrated with an **Ecumenical Prayer Service at All Saints Church on Tuesday 10th October at 3pm**. The theme for this Year is... ***"Let Justice & Peace Flow"***. **Everyone is Welcome.**

As the people of God, we must work together on behalf of all Creation, as part of that mighty river of peace and justice. Prophet Amos cries out: ***"But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"*** and so we are called to join the river of justice and peace, to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and the loss of biodiversity.



LGBTQ+ Catholics, Archdiocese of Liverpool

The next gathering and Mass will be on **Sunday 8th October at 2pm** at St Bede's, Appleton Village, Widnes, WA8 6EL. Please do let Canon Stephen Maloney know if you are able to attend. There will be a social gathering after Mass. For more information, please contact: Canon Stephen Maloney at: **frsmaloney@aol.co.uk**.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit
Week Commencing 24th September for John & Bridget Harley*

*Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community
and all those who have died recently including Josie Flaherty
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.*



Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 23rd September 2023 Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jack Heyworth & Kathryn Aspey, Tyrol Family & David Goodman

Sunday 24th September 2023 Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Doris Calderbank, Marilyn Cotter, Frances Silcock
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Olive & Derrick Johnson, Gil Marsh, Special Intention (BH)
Sun 11:30am	All Saints	Baptism	Daisy Elizabeth Rigby

Tuesday 26th September 2023 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Living & Deceased Members of the McGarry Family
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Wednesday 27th September 2023 Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	People of the Parishes
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Thursday 28th September 2023 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Sheila & Frank Stephenson Margaret McLoughlin & Family
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Friday 29th September 2023 Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Neil Wilkinson, Margaret Kirkham
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Saturday 30th September 2023 Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Catherine Barrett, In Thanksgiving (PB)

Sunday 1st October 2023 Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Vera Gant, Brian Roughly, Bill Burke, Bill & Dorothy Fairhurst
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Tony Sumner. Theresa Leonard