



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



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**SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2025
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A
Parish Mass Book Page 85 Order of Mass P6,
The Nicene Creed P11**

The second *Sunday of Advent* turns our attention to John the Baptist. John was an interesting individual. We are told he dressed a bit strangely, had an odd diet and spent a lot of time in the desert. Yet it seems he was very popular with the whole of Judaea and 'all the people of Jerusalem' went out to hear him. John must have been a dynamic speaker and one in whom people found hope and inspiration. Who are these attractive messengers for us today? Who brings us good news and hope? Whose message makes sense for us? Who do we flock to hear Today we might also reflect on the messengers in our own lives. Who did God send to you while you were in your own wilderness? Perhaps they brought with them a moment of grace, reassuring you that you would not be drifting aimlessly forever. Perhaps the evidence at that moment in your own life stated the contrary, yet these words of encouragement or comfort gave you reason to hope and to hang in there. These 'John the Baptists' are messengers of the light. They are all around us. Sometimes we are the ones called upon to be a messenger of light for someone else. The good news of the gospel today is that even in times of desolation there is a hope, a promise that urges us on. How we prepare for this journey determines our experience. See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you.

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Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to all those involved in the Christmas Fair: it was a great success. Thanks go to all those who organised, donated and helped before, during and after as well as all those who managed to come along. We will confirm the total next weekend as we still have some to come in.



The weight of the cake was 906gms which has been won.

We had 5 raffle prizes all have been claimed and winning numbers are:

Blue	224
Pink	309
Yellow	191
Blue	170
Pink	147

All Saints Foodbank

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 the following Tinned Products: **Beans, Rice Pudding, Fruit and Soup. Long Life Milk.**

Donations: If you make a monetary donation to the Foodbank using the envelopes provided, could you please put your envelope in with the offertory collection.



Children's Liturgy

This Sunday's Children's Liturgy will be the last one of 2025.
The first one for 2026 will be Sunday 18th January.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

All Saints - Carols & Readings 6:30pm - **Mass 7:00pm**

St. Lewis - Carols & Readings 8:30pm - **Mass 9:00pm**

Christmas Day

St. Lewis - 9:00am

All Saints - 10:30am



This week's joke:

My doctor's advised me to stop drinking...

Its going to be a massive change for me, I've been with that doctor for 15 years



St. Lewis SVP Afternoon Tea

The SVP is organising a Christmas Afternoon Tea Party for St. Lewis' Senior Citizens on **Thursday 11th December at 2pm in the Croft Memorial Hall.**

A poster and sign up list are in St. Lewis' church porch. Places are limited to 30 and transport may be available for those without any. Please sign up **before**

Monday 8th December. If you need more details call Gill Hamilton on 07976 940499.

Please note, there is no charge for this event.

Epiphany Trust Carol Service

This year's Epiphany Trust Carol Service is **Wednesday 17th December 7pm at Lowton Independent Methodist Church, Lowton.** Carols will be led by Golborne Brass Band and the LGN choir with items from community members and children from Heath Street Church.



The Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Choir

A Celebration of Christmas returns this year on **Saturday 13 December** with a night of musical cheer, guaranteed to get you into the festive spirit. Join the Metropolitan Cathedral Choir and some very special guests for what promises to be a magical event for all the family. Sing along to classic carols, enjoy traditional readings and celebrate Christmas in the glorious surroundings of the Metropolitan Cathedral.

Tickets: £10 each/£18 family, available from **www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral**

CAFOD *Christmas Fun Run – 27 December*

Signup is open for CAFOD's annual Fun Run! The run will take place on 27th December at Wavertree Sports Park and is open to all. Run, walk, or wheel with family and friends to share the joy of Christmas and raise money for those in need!

There is a poster on the notice board. To sign up you can scan the QR code or search CAFOD Fun Run.

Card Payments Are Here!!!

We are finding more and more that people would like to pay for Cards, Books, Statues etc... from the Piety stall by card... as you no doubt know cash is used very little these days.

We have therefore purchased two card machines, one for each parish. We have currently set up the one for All Saints and will hopefully have St. Lewis' ready in the next few weeks.

If you don't use standing order or the envelopes for your offering and would like to make a donation to the church, please see the ladies on the piety stall and they will help you.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit
Week Commencing 7th December for: **Norah Costello***

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 6th December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Ellen O'Donnell, Tirol Family, David Goodman

Sunday 7th December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Esther, Wilfred & Brenda Seddon, Special Intention
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Pat Hawkes

Tuesday 9th December 2025 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Madelina O'Reilly
Tues 2:00pm	Howe Bridge	Funeral Service for Margaret Conway	

Wednesday 10th December 2025 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Stephen McNelly
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Thursday 11th December 2025 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10.00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Special Intention
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Friday 12th December 2025 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Jack Heyworth, Kathryn Aspey
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Saturday 13th December 2025 Third Sunday of Advent

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Molly & Peter Lamb

Sunday 14th December 2025 Third Sunday of Advent

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Brenda Seddon, Reg Gibbons
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Sheila Wright
Sun 11:30am	All Saints	Baptism	Logan Churton



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community;
all those who have died recently especially
Margaret Conway, Patricia Millington, David Roylance
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.