



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



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SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2021

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A Race Against Time

In the time before mobile phones we had to stick to our plans, there was no way we could call when we were on our way and if someone didn't show up for a meeting we had no way of checking where they were or what the hold-up was.

Nowadays we are instantly able to find out where other people are; if someone is late for a meeting our first reaction is to call them. We are not used to waiting anymore, and we don't handle uncertainty very well.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks to his disciples about time. The world as they know it is passing away, but the uncomfortable truth is nobody knows when. The disciples thought it would be in their lifetime, that the Son of Man would come in the clouds 'with great power and glory', yet generations later, we are still waiting. We do not know God's plan for the world, or for our lives but we must be ready for whatever it is.

We can be behind time, running out of time, keeping an eye on the time. We can manage our time as best we can. But we have no control over God's plan for us. We must have faith, and stand ready for whatever is to come.

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Christmas Toy Appeal ~ Compassion In Action

At this time of year we would usually ask for any unwanted gifts and toys for a stall at our Christmas fayre, however this year the fayre won't take place due the continued rise in the number of Covid cases and the uncertainty that surrounds the coming winter months. That said, we have decided to still ask for any unwanted gifts and toys to donate to **Compassion In Action** and their Christmas appeal.

Compassion in Action is a charity which began back in 2006 as a coffee morning at St. Mary's Church Hall, Lowton – creating a meeting place for young mums, elderly residents and those seeking friendship and support. Due to the amount of people who attended, it was established that a greater need for support in the community was required. Since then Compassion in Action have continued to meet the needs of those in crisis across the Wigan Borough. If you have any of the above items, please bring them along to either church.

The Archdiocesan Synod Pastoral Plan

After the meeting of Synod 2020 in June this year, work began on preparing a pastoral plan which would guide the archdiocese in the years to come based on the outcomes of the Synod. This plan will be launched next weekend. Every parishioner will get a postcard giving details of how to access the plan and an invitation to a meeting to hear about it. Copies of the plan will be available online and at Pauline Books and Media from next weekend. Please pray this week for open hearts to receive with grateful thanks the fruits of much listening, discerning and work that is Synod 2020.

To find out more, you are welcome to any of these open meetings:

Saturday 4th Dec 11.00am – 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Leyland

Tuesday 7th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm in Holy Rosary Church, Aintree.

Thursday 9th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm on Zoom

The link is: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86421512557?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86421512557)

pwd=SVd5cFhtQ0dwUFJzQjhLSlQ5VjJJQT09 . Meeting ID: 864 2151 2557

Passcode: 132667.

Tea & Coffee All Saints ~ 14th November & Every Week

From this week onwards we will begin to have Tea and Coffee after 10:30am mass on Sundays on a weekly basis and **not just** every other week....yet more normality for us to enjoy!!

The Rosary at All Saints

The Rosary will now be said at All Saints church before 9:30am mass each Friday

Food Bank

We've had some very good news this week with regard to donations. The Co-op in Lowton have started to put a basket at the back of their tills and have very kindly nominated All Saints Food Bank as the recipients. We would like to thank the Co-op and their customers for their kindness.

Refugee Project

Another batch of garments has been sent off this week - the biggest batch sent so far, bringing the total numbers donated to: 728 garments, 58 blankets and 30 sacks of good as new clothes. Many thanks to everyone who has knitted such beautiful garments and donated wool. Also, thank you to those who have donated clothes. If you wish to know anything about becoming involved in knitting or donating, please contact Jean Marsh or Margaret Ruxton, if you don't have their telephone numbers please contact the parish office. The asylum-seeker numbers are rising steadily at the Wigan centre every week and our work is vital.

Remembrance Sunday ~ Today

If you would like to commemorate this years Remembrance Sunday, please assemble at Legh Court in Golborne at 2.15 today. There will be a procession to the **War Memorial, for 2:30 pm**. Refreshments will be served after the service at Workspace, which is just a little further down from the playing field and was originally the Legh Arms.

Second Collection ~ World Youth Day 21st November 2021

The first ever World Youth day was held on Palm Sunday in 1984 and has since been celebrated on this day in all corners of the world. In November 2020, Pope Francis called for a relaunch of this day and invites us all to celebrate on the Solemnity of Christ the King, the same day that would have been National Youth Sunday. The additional collection next week goes to support the ongoing work of youth ministry here in Liverpool. Without your generosity much of the work that we do would not be possible. Similarly, it would be very difficult to offer a community residence at Lowe House for our youth ministry team.

A collection of resources to help celebrate this day are available using the link below <https://worldyouthsunday.com/>

This Weeks Joke:

What's another word for a Wasp

A Wanna-Bee !!

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 13th November 2021 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30 pm	All Saints	Reconciliation	
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Sat 5:00 pm	All Saints	Mass	Pious List
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Sunday 14th November 2021 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00 am	St. Lewis	Mass	Doris Calderbank
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Sun 10:30 am	All Saints	Mass	Shirley Cartwright
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Sun 11:30 am	All Saints	Baptism	Scarlett Victoria Crook & Daisy Joy Round
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Tuesday 16th November 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00 am	St. Lewis	Mass	Pious List
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Wednesday 17th November 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Wed 9:30 am	All Saints	Mass	Pious List
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Thursday 18th November 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10:00 am	St. Lewis	Mass	Phil McCarthy
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Friday 19th November 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Fri 9:30 am	All Saints	Mass	Christopher Ryan, Stephen Winstanley
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Fri 11.00am	St Lewis	Requiem	Margaret Jenkinson
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Saturday 20th November 2021 Solemnity of Christ the King

Sat 4:30 pm	All Saints	NO Reconciliation	
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Sat 5:00 pm	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
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Sunday 21st November 2021 Solemnity of Christ the King

Sun 9:00 am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
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Sun 10:30 am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
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**Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community
and all those who have died recently including Margaret Jenkinson
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.**