

# OUR PARISHES NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 21st January 2018



## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading	Jonah 3:1-5.10
Psalms	24:4-9.R.v4
Second Reading	Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel	Mark 1:14-20

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## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading**  
Deuteronomy 18:15-20

**Psalms**  
**94:1-2.6-9.R.v9**

**Second Reading**  
Corinthians 7:32-35

**Gospel**  
Mark 1:21-28

## REFLECTION

The Apostles followed Jesus, almost blindly. With Jesus's gentle guidance, they found out, gradually, what following the Messiah really meant. Jonah had imagined the worst, and ran away, but the Apostles imagined the best, and ran to follow Jesus. As it happened, they ran into the worst - the Passion, Crucifixion and Death of Jesus. With Jesus' gentle guidance, they found out, gradually, what following the Messiah really meant. Where Jonah had imagined the worst - and ran away, the Apostles imagined the best, and ran, eventually, to follow Jesus.

The Resurrection followed, and here was the answer. We ask ourselves, "Are we running away, like Jonah, or running, like the Apostles, towards Jesus". Either way, there will surely be suffering. But God will look after us and keep us, asking us to learn what love is really about.

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## PSALM

Lord, make me know your ways.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is close at hand;  
believe the Good News.

Alleluia!

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,  
but will have the light of life.

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# ALL PARISHES

## RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today the annual Special Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is being held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you use weekly Offertory Envelopes, please can I ask that you write in your envelope number. If you do not have your Offertory Envelope with you, or you give to your Parish by means of a Standing Order, write in your name and home address. In this way, it will be possible to reclaim the tax on your donation if you have joined the Gift Aid scheme.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation to the Fund. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing,

+Mark

**Bishop of Shrewsbury**

## LOOKING AT OUR PARISHES

We are very fortunate in our three parishes to have so many volunteers and people who do so much serving their communities and also our three Parish Councils. We are blessed truly. So now we want to try something new, look at our parishes, look at our needs and communities, to try to incorporate maybe some new ideas, some new way forward. So we are inviting people who are interested from the three parishes to get together one evening to look at our communities, our parishes and look towards the future. This getting together of minds can then go back to our Parish Councils. The plan would be to meet twice a year. The first meeting to take place on Wednesday 7th March 8pm at All Saints.

Our churches moving forward **Wednesday 7th March at 8pm All Saints.** Please come along with your thoughts and ideas.

## EUCHARISTIC/READERS TRAINING DAYS

We now have planned the two days and they will take place at All Saints the dates are as follows:

Readers Day	Saturday 20th January 2018 - 9.30am - 1pm
Eucharistic Ministers Day	Saturday 10th March 2018 - 9.30 - 1pm

We are giving you plenty of notice as it is important that you attend this day once a year, so please put the dates in your new diaries.

### MISSIONS TOGETHER

#### ST MARGARET WARD -OUR LADY OF LOURDES

To those who have supported and pledged, thank you. To all those who filled in the Census Forms and did not attend meetings, a full information pack will be available with your name on it from next weekend, we just ask you take this pack home with you, read it and see if you are interested in helping. Also to those who didn't fill in a Census Form, unnamed packs will be available for you to take home and find out more about the Mission Together. The welcomers in both Parishes will give you the information packs, they will be available over the next two weekends. Thank you.

### CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FORMS

We do not have the exact date for Confirmation but now is the time for all you young people to sign up and register. Forms now available in all three parishes for young people in Year 8 up. Please come and collect and fill in.

### RAISE THE ROOF WITH NEW YEAR SPIRIT.

Saturday 24th February, whisky tasting night, in the All Saints parish centre. Tickets from Dave Kendal 07798760750 £15 for 6 whisky's from around Scotland. In Aid of the roof fund.

Come early and watch England beat Scotland in the 6 Nations.

### MONDAY CLUB

This week we have a special treat - a Talk by Father Bernard As usual, Doors in the Parish Centre open to all Over 50s at 2.00 pm

### FIRST FORGIVENESS MEETINGS

Meetings taking place in the next few weeks:

Our Lady of Lourdes (School) - 6.30pm - 30th January

All Saints (School) / St Margaret Ward - 6.30pm - 1st February

### FIRST FORGIVENESS CELEBRATION

First Forgiveness Celebration take place at the following

All Saints - Wednesday 28th February 2018 - 6.15pm

St Margaret Ward - Thursday 1st March 2018 - 6.15pm

Our Lady of Lourdes - Tuesday 6th March 2018 - 6.15pm

## PARISH RETREAT

We need to know the final numbers for the retreat, please make sure you put your name down in the next few weeks. No money needs to be paid now, so please put your name down. The Retreat is booked for Saturday 21st April and will be led by Margaret Lillis and Fr Ned. We will meet at 10.00am for coffee, start at 10.30am and finish 3pm. The cost is £20 and please bring your own lunch. It will take place at Loreto School. All are welcome and there is a warm welcome to all who would like to go from other parishes in the area. Please sign up at the back of church as you leave Mass.

## REFERENCES

If you wish to have a reference written from Fr Ned or the Deacons, please make sure you speak to them first before putting their name down as a reference. Thank you

## SICK VISITS

Please don't hesitate to let Fr Ned know if you wish for him to visit a sick member of your family / parishioner and he will add them to the list.

## LPA MEETING

The next LPA meeting is Wednesday 24th January after 7.30pm Mass.

## THE TRINITY MAGAZINE

If you have any articles/stories etc that you would like to be considered for the next issue of The Trinity please email them to Kev Lee, email address is [f.lee917@ntlworld.com](mailto:f.lee917@ntlworld.com)

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# ALL SAINTS

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We have an All Saints Council meeting taking place on Wednesday 7th February after 7.30pm Mass. Members of the Council, please make sure you put this date in your diary. Thank you

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large box at the back of church with lost property in. It has been there for quite some time, there are items such as umbrellas, gloves, children's clothes and even a adults coat. If you think they might be any of your items, please remember to take a look as you leave church today.

## ALL SAINTS BIDDING PRAYERS - JANUARY 2018

Thank you to everyone who volunteered sometime ago to contribute bidding prayers for January. It was a while back, so here's a reminder to those of you who signed up.

21st Gould family

28th Emerton family

You can find a complete list until the end of March on the noticeboard at the back of church or the Three Parishes website at <http://ourparishes.church/>

Please submit your contribution by the Friday before the Sunday either directly to the parish office or via email at [our3parishes@gmail.com](mailto:our3parishes@gmail.com). Thank you

## CHURCH ROOF

We have set up a special Roof Account the details are as follows;

**All Saints Roof - Sort Code 30-15-52 - Account No. 55585068**

If you ever wish to give directly just let us know you have deposited something. Also all activities are so much appreciated.

The Offertory Collection was £859.65 **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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## ST MARGARET WARD

### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

The Christian Meditation group continues to meet at St Margaret Ward on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. Contact Pat Higgins 0161 962 8661

### RED MISSION BOXES

Last year a total of £176.00 was sent off. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We have a St Margaret Ward Council meeting taking place on Thursday 25th January after 7.30pm Mass. Members of the Council, please make sure you put this date in your diary. Thank you

Offertory Collection was £449.81 - **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity**

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# OUR LADY OF LOURDES

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

We have an Our Lady's of Lourdes Council meeting taking place on Tuesday 16th January after 7.30pm Mass. Members of the Council, please make sure you put this date in your diary. Thank you

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL

We take this opportunity to wish Paul Gibbons all the best as he left our Parish School in December. We thank you for your eleven years of service as Headteacher and pray for many blessings on his future.

We also welcome Tony Rae who has joined us to lead and direct us until July. Next Friday we have a Mass for Tony's intention and to welcome him to our school and parish community.

Mass Friday 26th January at 215pm. All welcome

Offertory Collection was £449.81 **Thanks all once again for your giving and generosity.**

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## OTHER NEWS

### CATHOLIC SINGLES

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events.

For further information visit [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk)  
or tel. 0161 941 3498

### A RECOVERY OF MERCY :

The radical experience of Grace through all our addictions is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held on Sat 17 February 2018. If you are aged between 18 - 35 please join us when we will be led by Damien Prescott, the Director of 'Olive Branch Recovery Communities'. The day will start at 9.30pm at Wistaston Hall, Crewe CW2 8JS and finish around 5pm. Payment by anonymous donation (suggested cost £20 & £15 for unemployed/student).

If you would like to join us or wish to know more about it please contact Siobhan Cartwright at [siobhanbc@gmail.com](mailto:siobhanbc@gmail.com) tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947. Wistaston Hall is accessible by public transport but please contact Siobhan to discuss the possibility of getting a lift if required

		St. Margaret Ward		All Saints		Our Lady of Lourdes
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Sat 20th	5.30pm	Thanksgiving (EM)				
Sun 21st			9.30am	Harry McGurran	11.00am	John Luccetti
Sun 21st			5.00pm	TPA Healy		
Mon 22nd	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	9.15am	Eucharistic Service		No Service
Tues 23rd	9.15am	School Mass Special Intention		No Service	7.30pm	Eileen Hanson
Wed 24th	9.15 am	Eucharistic Service	7.30pm	James Walsh	12.15pm	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 25th	7.30pm	Clifford Bevan		No Service		No Service
Frid 26th	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	9.15am	Eucharistic Service	2.15pm	School Mass Welcome Mr Rae
4th Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Sat 27th	5.30pm	Mary & Bernard Kirrane				
Sun 28th			9.30am	Kathleen McGrath	11.00am	James & Frances Faloona
Sun 28th			5.00pm	David Duckworth		