

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

No masses are currently celebrated in church.
All Masses at present will be celebrated online.
Please refer to the website if you wish to participate.

Sunday 24th January 2021 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B			
Online	Video	Mass	Jack Tatlock, Molly Balley
Monday 25th January 2021 Feast of the conversion of St. Paul			
Online	Video	Mass	Ellen & Michael Davey, Derrick Johnson
Tuesday 26th January 2021 St. Timothy and Titus, Bishops			
Online	Video	Mass	Damian McCurdy & Margaret Kirkham
Wednesday 27th January 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time			
Online	Video	Mass	Maureen France
Thursday 28th January 2021 St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor			
Online	Video	Mass	Kathleen McGready, Fr. Jim Matthews
1pm Howe Bridge Crematorium, Funeral Service for Rita Charnock			
Friday 29th January 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time			
Online	Video	Mass	Ann Gibbons
St. Lewis: 11am Graveside Service for Andrea Houghton-Wilcock			
Saturday 30th January 2021 Weekday in Ordinary Time			
Online	Video	Mass	Kathleen Wilcock-Jones
Sunday 31st January 2021 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B			
Online	Video	Mass	Pat & Maureen McGoldrick Peter Sydoruk & Jaide Parker Thomas & Gertrude Rynn



Apologies: The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints was lit for Thomas Towey, week beginning 18th January 2021



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community and all those who have died recently including Rita Charnock, Kathleen Wilcock-Jones, Andrea Houghton-Wilcock and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.



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



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Parish Mass Book page 129, Order of Mass, P6, the Creed P12.

Now Is The Time

Over fifty years ago, in his famous 'I have a dream' speech, Martin Luther King Jr talked about 'the fierce urgency of now'.

'This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilising drug of gradualism. Now is the time to make justice a reality for all of God's children... The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges,' he said.

That same sense of 'fierce urgency' seems to grab the disciples in today's Gospel. The time has come, says Jesus - and Simon, Andrew, James and John are certainly ready. So ready, in fact, that they are prepared to leave behind their livelihoods, and even their families, to attend to the urgent task of spreading the Good News.

We can all be experts at procrastination at times. We put off making positive changes in our lives or taking steps to help others, convinced we will get around to it another day. Sometimes the sacrifices can seem like too much, but Jesus calls us, and he calls us urgently.

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Lockdown Three: watching the numbers rise.....

I'm sure that like me you have been watching the daily numbers given out by the media. It starts with the number of new infections (beginning to fall), followed by the number of deaths (sadly, still rising) and the really important one: the number of people who have had their first jab. The good news is that we now all know at least someone who has had the jab and possibly quite a few. Here, we are surrounded by centres giving out the vaccination: Leigh Sports village, St Helens rugby ground, Warrington Wolves and those are only the big ones. And whilst many are volunteering to give the jab, many more are volunteering to help out and steward.

In the meantime all of us have to face that feeling of our lives being on hold yet again– the first time round I asked you to think of lockdown as just like a ninety day retreat; it's not so easy this time round, though we do have the experience of the previous two lockdowns to help guide us through this time. Do remember to set yourself the task of contacting at least one person a day to find out how they are doing; it helps to give each of us a sense of 'doing something useful' and your contact with someone else will do them no end of good to know that you have been thinking about them.

For when Christ tells us in the gospel, 'the time has come' he is talking about our willingness to step forward and be there for others.

Stoneyhurst College online talks.

Beginning 14th January and continuing every two weeks there is a series of online talks entitled: **The Drama Displayed: A Journey of Salvation** offered by the Christian Heritage Centre. A range of excellent speakers will examine the key moments of salvation history, with the aid of great works of art. They begin at 7:30pm. The second talk which will be on Thursday 28th Jan. is entitled: 'The Naked truth' and will be given by Dr David Torevell. For info and registration, go onto: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-drama-displayed/>

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

Once again, this occurs between 18th-25th January. The material for it has been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The theme that has been chosen is: "Abide in my love, and you shall bear much fruit." It is based on John 15:1-17. The sisters are inviting churches across the world to enter into their tradition of prayer and silence that is rooted in the ancient traditions of the Catholic Church. For more information and to download the resources go to the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland website and follow the links!

Foodbanks.

We will continue to collect the food that you wish to donate to the Foodbanks despite their being no mass. A big thank you to all those continuing to give to the Foodbanks during the current lockdown. Simply bring it to the presbytery at All Saints Monday-Friday between 10.00-2.00pm and leave it outside. Then ring the doorbell and step back– I'll then pick it up and ensure it is delivered to the Foodbank. Many thanks.

All Saints Church: all food donations go to St Thomas' church, Warrington Rd, Ashton in Makerfield which is part of ACT: Ashton Churches Together.

St. Lewis Church: unfortunately the Quench café, which took donations for the Foodbank in Culcheth has closed this week. They have advised that if anyone wishes to give to the Croft and Culcheth community, please take your donations to Sainsbury's. However, if you would still like to donate to our parish community you can bring them to the office any week day between 10-2 and they will be taken to the ACT Foodbank as above.

Below is a list of essential items required by ACT Foodbank:

Tinned Goods	Sugar	Cartons of Juice
Tea/Coffee	UHT Milk	Ready to Eat Custard
Cereal/Porridge	Evaporated Milk	Sweets
Pasta Sauces	Packets of Mash	Biscuits

Please Note: They do not need any Pasta, Soup or Tins of Beans, just the items above.

Our Lady's Grotto: We have been notified that the weather has caused an issue to both Our Lady's statue and St. Bernadette at the grotto. This is being dealt and will be rectified as soon as possible.

Asylum-Link Project : Margaret Ruxton writes:

The next delivery to the centre should have been mid-January. Because of lockdown we are unable to fix a date for delivery. However, in the meantime, any completed garments can be delivered to Margaret or to Jean Marsh by telephone arrangement. If you need their numbers, please contact the office. Many thanks to all those who have handed in the numerous items already received...it seems that there will be a large collection again this time. Please keep going, as the need is great.

This week's joke:

Why did the spaceship land outside the bedroom?
Someone had left the landing light on!!!