

News from the Parishes of Holy Family, Pensby and Our Lady & St. John, Heswall

Reflection on Today's Gospel

by Father Stephen

Two miracle stories are woven together today in a way that enriches them both. Jairus, a synagogue official, throws himself at the feet of Jesus and pleads with him to heal his daughter who is close to death. Jesus goes off with Jairus and in the crowd there is a woman who has suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years. She has spent all her money on doctors without getting better and indeed is getting worse. Yet she is a woman of faith and courage and comes up behind him and touches him. She is immediately healed only to hear Jesus ask, "Who touched my clothes?" She comes forward frightened and trembling, but Jesus doesn't tell her off. Instead he says, "Your faith has restored you to health, go in peace." Jairus then hears that his daughter has died, but Jesus says, "Do not be afraid, only have faith." When they arrive at Jairus house, Jesus says, "The child is not dead but sleeping," and they laugh at him. With great tenderness Jesus then takes the child's parents into her room, takes the girl by the hand and say, "Little girl, I tell you to get up." Jesus not only rescues these two women from death but restores to them

their
ability to
give life.



Canon Stephen Coonan's

Ruby Anniversary 1978 – 2018

Celebration Mass on Sunday 29th July
at 11:15am at Our Lady & St. John

Everyone Welcome

There will be envelopes available from this weekend for parishioners who would like to give something towards a collection for Canon Stephen Coonan, on the occasion of his Ruby Anniversary. The collection will be presented to him at his Celebration Mass on Sunday 29th July at 11:15am at Our Lady and St John.

Please note that on that day there will be no 5pm Mass at Holy Family.

Café Jam

"Spread some song across your heart"

on

Sunday 1st July 6pm at Heswall URC.

Would you like to learn some new songs, and revisit some not so new, in a relaxed and informal setting? Lots of drinks and cakes. Meet friends and make new friends. All those who love to sing, of ANY ability, are invited and welcomed to join in this enjoyable event - or just come to listen! Everyone welcome! Free Entry.

Book Group – Rediscover Jesus: We continue to read and discuss the book Rediscover Jesus. If you are free on any Tuesday evenings, please come and join us from **7pm-8pm** in the Meeting Room at Our Lady and St John's.



Wednesday 9:30am-8:30pm at OLSJ
&
Saturday after 12 noon Mass at Holy Family

The Eucharistic

God's Mercy
Mankind's Lifeline
Come Worship Him

Wirral Food Bank

Thank you to both parishes for all your donations last week. The contributions are as follows:

- Holy Family 17.05 kgs
- OLSJ 5.59 kgs.



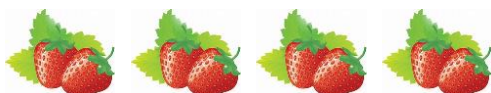
Holy Family Strawberry Tea



Our ever-popular annual Strawberry Tea takes place on **Saturday July 14th from 2- 4pm at Holy Family**, tickets £2.50. Hopefully we will have a lovely sunny day, but the weather will not put us off.

Tickets will be available from the Box Office or ring Jean 648 0988

We need an idea of numbers for catering. This is always a lovely afternoon and a chance to meet friends old and new so do join us.



Adoremus - National Eucharistic Congress 2018



Would all those who have expressed a wish to go to the Eucharistic Congress, please return their forms and cheques. There is a box in the porch for this purpose. If there is anyone who now feels they would like to go or to know more before booking, please speak to Ann Parsons ASAP 342-7229.

OLSJ Parish Support Group

invite all parishioners to a

Parish Open Meeting

On

Tuesday 17th July in the Meeting Room at 7pm. Come along and find out who we are and what we do!

In case you are not sure who we are, photos of the OLSJ Parish Support Group can be found on the noticeboard in the church porch.

Everyone welcome.

Reminder - Monthly Assam Collection will be taken after all Masses at Holy Family **today Sunday, 1st July 2018**.

Holy Family 200 Club

Week 12

1 st Prize	£25	No. 62	T. Brabrand
2 nd Prize	£10	No. 20	E. McGetterick
3 rd Prize	£5	No. 22	F. Ford



The Stitch Craft Group at Our Lady and St John will close for the Summer on **Tuesday 3rd July** and will restart on **Tuesday 11th September**.



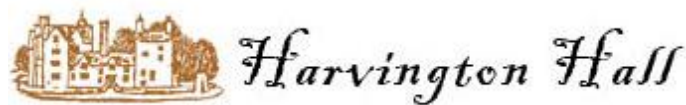
Mary Holgate and Margaret Stanley from Our Lady and St. John invite you to come and join them every **Saturday morning at 9:30am** at Our Lady and St John, to say the Rosary and pray for parishioner, Mary Brownrigg who is very poorly at the moment.

“For where there are two or three gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

Matthew 18:20



This **Wednesday, 3rd July** at Our Lady and St John's Church, the Diocesan Youth Mission Team invite all the youth of both parishes to attend a Youth Holy Hour from **7pm-8:30pm** with some social time afterwards. Father Jonathan Brandon will be helping out during the evening and Catherine, the SYMT director will be singing. Even though this is a youth event, anyone is welcome to come along and join in.



Harvington Hall

LPA pilgrimage: Harvington Hall: September

The three parishes in our LPA (St Winefride's, Holy Family and OLSJ) propose a day trip visit to Harvington Hall, near Kidderminster, which contains a number of priest holes from the Reformation (see www.harvingtonhall.com). The trip is planned for the week commencing 17th September and will cost £10-£15 depending on numbers. This will cover entrance to the Hall and Afternoon Tea. The cost of the coach will be subsidised by the three parishes. The trip will only run if we get sufficient numbers so please indicate your interest as soon as possible to: Jean Jenkins (HF) 648-0988; Derek Pover (St W's) 336-8426; Bernard Larkin (OLSJ) 342-5517.

Sicily's acclaimed Ten Strings Duo

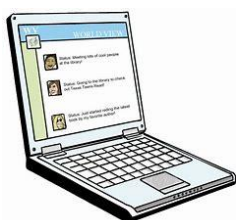
A music recital in Ss. Catherine & Martina Church, Hoylake on **Saturday 21st July 2018** at 7.30pm. Classical guitar and violin from distinguished guitarist Davide Sciacca and violinist Marianatalia Ruscica, playing a selection by composers such as Andrea Amici, Roberto Cipollina, Maximo Diego Pujol and Laurent Boutros. Open to all. No cost, no ticketing, just turn up and enjoy including a cheese & wine, tea and coffee interval. A donation can be made at the end of the evening.



The next Monthly Prayer Breakfast will take place on **Saturday 14th July @ 8:30am** in the Meeting Room at OLSJ.

The Prayer Breakfast is a friendly gathering where we hold a reflective service from 8.30am - 9am, followed by a friendly simple breakfast. This month our service will be led by St. Peter's Church. All are most welcome.

No need to book, just come along.



PARISH WEBSITE UPDATE!

We are working on updating the parish website. If anyone has any particular thoughts about content, please let us know. Contact Bernie Hailwood or Victoria Hanlon at OLSJ or Brian Sharp at HF or email contact@ourladyandstjohn.org.uk

Sat 30 th June	BVM	6:00 pm	Mass – Ted Fleming Anniversary	OUR LADY & ST. JOHN
Sun 1 st July	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week I)	11:15 am	Mass – Peter Monkhouse R.I.P.	
Mon 2 nd July	Ferial		No Mass	
Tues 3 rd July	St Thomas		No Mass	
Wed 4 th July	St Elizabeth of Portugal	9:00 am	Celebration of Word & Communion	
		9:00 am to 8:30 pm	Adoration - Come and spend some quiet time with Our Lord	
Thurs 5 th July	Ferial		No Mass	
Fri 6 th July	St Maria Goretti		No Mass	
Sat 7 th July	Ferial	6:00 pm	Mass – Private Intention	
Sun 8 th July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week II)	11:15 am	Mass – Parishioners	

HOLY FAMILY	Sun 1 st July	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week I)	9:30 am	Mass – Mary McGuire R.I.P. (Anniversary)
			5:00 pm	Mass – Tom McNamara R.I.P. & Betty Travers R.I.P.
	Mon 2 nd July	Ferial		No Mass or Service
	Tues 3 rd July	St Thomas		No Mass or Service
	Wed 4 th July	St Elizabeth of Portugal		No Mass or Service
	Thurs 5 th July	Ferial	9:00 am	Service of Word and Sacrament
	Fri 6 th July	St Maria Goretti		No Mass or Service
	Sat 7 th July	Ferial	12 noon	Service of Word & Sacrament (NO CONFESSIONS TODAY)
	Sun 8 th July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week II)	9:30 am	Mass - Edgar Candlish R.I.P (Anniversary)
5:00 pm			Mass – Barbara Roberts R.I.P (Anniversary)	

Confessions – Note that there will be NO confessions this week as Father Stephen is away on holiday.

Legion of Mary Meetings: Every Monday morning at 10:45 am in the meeting room at OLSJ.

Mother's Prayers: Every Monday morning at 9:30 am in the meeting room at OLSJ.

Adoration: Holy Family: Every Saturday after 12 noon Mass. On 1st Saturday of the Month, Divine Mercy devotions, prayers are included. All are welcome. **Our Lady and St John:** Every Wednesday 9:30am - 8pm after morning Mass.

Sick: Please remember in your prayers all those in both parishes who are sick at home or in hospital, including Catherine Maschke, Carol Saunders, Gerry Smith, Joe Lucas, Leonora Reilly, Iris Christian, John Moroney, Father Peter Kelly, Ken Davies, Mary Brownrigg and Madge McGrath. *Please get in touch if there are any alterations.*