

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
16TH DECEMBER 2018  
GAUDETE SUNDAY

...In a sense the readings today offer us a blueprint for living the Christian life. Paul tells us to be happy in the Lord, not to worry but to ask God for anything we need. He assures us that the peace of God will guard our hearts and our thoughts.

To be happy, tolerant, thankful, peaceful, and not to worry are attributes that people should see in us. Today's Gospel builds on this with practical advice from John as he preaches the Good News. The common reply John makes encourages his listeners to be other-centred rather than self-centred, each in the context of their own circumstances. We too must share what we have with the person who has none. We must be honest in our dealings with others.

John told the people in a direct and honest way what they should do. He was enthused by his mission to 'proclaim the good news' to the people. He preached the urgency of conversion and gives hope, to fan into a flame the spark of goodness in a struggling sinner.

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**Gaudete Sunday** takes its name from the first word of the Mass of the day, which means “Rejoice”, and the pink candle is lit on the Advent Wreath.

**All Saints Christmas Fayre.** Many thanks to everyone involved with the Christmas Fayre recently. To anyone who gave time for preparations, ran a stall, donated items, made refreshments or attended on the day, thank you for helping to raise much needed funds for the parish. Your wonderful efforts have so far raised an amazing £3310 (!) and there is more money still coming in. Grave pots are still being sold at both churches, but a final total will be available shortly.

**Animate Youth Ministries.** Today, Sunday 16th December, there is a Youth Alive Mass at 6.30 pm at St Oswald’s, Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB

**All Saints School** will be celebrating their Christingle Service in church this Tuesday, 18th December, beginning at 6.00pm. If you are free, please do join them and get in the mood of Christmas joy and cheer!

**Nugent “Light up a Life” Service** will take place on Tuesday, 18th December at 12.30 pm at the Metropolitan Cathedral with Bishop Tom Williams. Come and dedicate a light to celebrate the life of a loved one. For details tel. 0151 261 2000 or see [www.wearenugent.org](http://www.wearenugent.org)

**Christmas Poinsettias Appeal.** We would like to decorate the Sanctuaries of both churches with poinsettias this year and are inviting parishioners to donate plants to help with this.

**All Saints Christmas Flowers.** We are planning to make the arrangements in the Francis Room on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st December starting at 9.00 am. We would be grateful for volunteers, armed with secateurs, to help us with this; No experience is necessary. Donations of foliage would also be very welcome. Thank you.

**St Lewis School Carol Service** takes place in church on Friday  
21st December at 10.00 am.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES.**

**Christmas Eve All Saints: Carols at 7.00 pm followed by Mass**

**St Lewis: Carols at 11.30 pm leading into Mass**

**Christmas Day All Saints: Mass at 9.00 am**

**St Lewis: Mass at 10.30 am**

**Advent Sundays with the Cathedral Choir.**

Today, 16th December, at 3.00 pm the choir will present Britten's  
"Ceremony of Carols".

Next Sunday, 23rd December, at 5.00 pm there is the Festival Carol  
Service.... a perfect way to pause and reflect before Christmas gets under  
way.

Mulled wine and mince pies after the Service.

All are welcome and admission is free.

**CAFOD Fun Run.** The 35th CAFOD Fun Run will take place on Thursday  
27th December at Wavertree Athletics Centre, Liverpool L15 4LE.

Registration will be from 12pm and the runners and walkers start at 1pm on the  
4km or 8km run and the 2km walk. This is a great way to support CAFOD's  
vital life-saving work overseas (and get out after Christmas!) and a chance to do  
some light training now!

Further details from 0151 228 4028 or [liverpool@cafod.org.uk](mailto:liverpool@cafod.org.uk)

*Please remember in your prayers  
the sick of our community,  
those who have died recently,  
including John Morley and Andrew James Walsh  
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time*

*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints, 16th-23rd December  
Roy Jackson and also  
The Hatton and Vancalsteren Families*



# *Services, Mass Times and Intentions*

<i>3rd Sunday of Advent , Gaudete Sunday</i>			
<i>5.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Olive Farnworth &amp; also Catherine Else and Lawrence Hughes</i>
<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Reginald Gibbons (Birthday Remembrance)</i>
<i>10:00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Roy Jackson and also Michael Confrey (23rd Anniversary)</i>
<i>Monday 17th December</i>			
<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Ita Harrington</i>
<i>Tuesday 18th December</i>			
<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>A Successful Operation</i>	
<i>Wednesday 19th December</i>			
<i>7.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Father Bernard Eager and also Sr Anselm</i>
<i>Thursday 20th December</i>			
<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Roy &amp; Phil McCarthy (Diamond Wedding)</i>
<i>12 noon</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Funeral Service for John Morley</i>	
<i>Friday 21st December</i>			
<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Rae Price</i>
<i>10.00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
<i>11.00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Funeral Mass for Andrew James Walsh</i>	
<i>Saturday 22nd December</i>			
<i>10.00 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>The Abbott Family</i>
<i>4.15-4.45 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation.</i>	
<i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>			
<i>5.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Debbie and also David Warriner</i>
<i>8.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>James O'Shea (Anniversary)</i>
<i>10.00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Damian McCurdy</i>