



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



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In the opening chapter of Lewis Carroll's *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, Alice has a bit of bother with doors. The doors in the hall in which she finds herself are all locked. When she finds a key, it doesn't fit the locks. When she manages to find a door to match the key, she herself won't fit through; the doorway is too narrow. 'Alice opened

the door and found that it led into a small passage, not much larger than a rat-hole: she knelt down and looked along the passage into the loveliest garden you ever saw. How she longed to get out of that dark hall, and wander about among those beds of bright flowers and those cool fountains, but she could not even get her head through the doorway.' There is a similar predicament for those in Jesus' story. They knock on the door and expect to be admitted, but it is not that simple. They are too late – the door has been locked and the master turns them away, but what does Jesus mean when he says we must strive to 'enter by the narrow door'? Is it almost impossible to enter the kingdom of God? The narrow door is Jesus. But it is not enough to have encountered him and heard his teachings. One must have walked the narrow path of the Gospel.

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This Week's News.

Our Church Cemeteries.

One of the things I have noticed at both our Cemeteries– both All saints and St Lewis is the amount of glass and earthenware that is placed besides headstones, often unused. I notice it simply because of the difficulty of sweeping it up when it breaks. This does cause problems for our grass-cutters (both Parishioners and landscape gardeners). May I ask you not to use glass and earthenware for your family tributes within the cemetery but rather use plastic? They weather just as well, look just as good and are often more robust for the outdoor environment. Thank you. Fr Gordon.

Mercy Associates. The next meeting of the Mercy Associates is on Friday 30th August at 2pm in the Benedict Room at All Saints Church.

Life Charity.



The prolife charity Life is looking for an enthusiastic church and community fundraisers in the Diocese to help us group our life-saving work with vulnerable mothers. We want you to help our volunteer fundraisers, manage local events and develop relationships with community groups. We offer a competitive salary for a full or part-time position based at home. Contact [**jobs@lifecharity.org.uk**](mailto:jobs@lifecharity.org.uk) for more details.

Tuesday Afternoon Club— The next meeting of the Afternoon Club is Tuesday 3rd September, at 2.00 pm in the Benedict Room at All Saints Church.

Parish Register. Will parishioners who have not yet filled in a Parish register card, please take a blank one from the porch and complete it, so that we know who you are (or I do at least!) Thank you Fr Gordon.

Parish Discussion Group. The next meeting of St. Lewis' Parish Discussion Group will take place on Monday 26th August at 7.30 pm at 10 Culcheth Hall Farm Barns, Culcheth WA3 4AN. We will be looking at a series of DVDs about "The Astonishing Secret" by Daniel O'Leary. Well worth looking at and plenty to discuss. Everyone is welcome.
For more information and directions etc. please call 07766 465668

Mass Intentions. We are currently a little low on Mass intentions. So, I ask you: have you ever thought of having mass offered for someone? A popular misconception is that we offer mass only for those who have died. We can have mass offered for anyone: those who have died, those not well, those celebrating something, those we are concerned about, the things we want to give thanks to God for. Anything and anyone really. So, if you want to have mass offered for someone or for a particular intention please use one of the orange envelopes in the porch (same size as your planned giving envelope) and fill in the details on the front. And do remember: you don't have to be at mass for it to be offered i.e. we celebrate mass during the week as well. And finally: whilst an offering is gratefully received, mass can be offered without a donation being made; after all it's the intention that counts. Fr Gordon.

Annual Pilgrimage to the Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith. Mass will be celebrated at 3.00 pm at the Church of St Oswald and St Edmund Arrowsmith, Ashton in Makerfield on Sunday 25th August, 2019. Celebrant Rev Aidan Kelly VF will also give the Blessing of the Sick and Veneration of the Holy Hand after Mass. Light refreshments will be available in Canons' Hall.



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community, especially those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.



The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit on 25th August— 31st August for Peter Abbs.

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 25th August - Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

<i>Sat 5.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Stephen Fenerty</i>
<i>Sun 8.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis Patronal Feast</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Christine Sherif & Margret Ruxton.</i>
<i>Sun 10.00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Graham Leonard</i>

Monday 26th August — Memorial of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God

<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Terry Hoarty</i>
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Tuesday 27th August - Memorial of St Monica

<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>France Welsby</i>
<i>After Mass</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Exposition: none until September.</i>	

Wednesday 28th August - Memorial of St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor

<i>7.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Frank Moore</i>
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Thursday 29th August — Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist

<i>9.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Paul and Maria Mahon</i>
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Friday 30th August— Memorial of St Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest, Martyr

<i>9.30</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Mary Mylott</i>
<i>After Mass</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	

Saturday 31st August -

<i>10.00 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Eucharistic service.</i>
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Sunday 1st September— Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

<i>Sat 5.00 pm</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Rae Price</i>
<i>Sun 8.30 am</i>	<i>St Lewis</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>John Calderbank and Kevin McRay</i>
<i>Sun 10.00 am</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Mass</i>	<i>Fr John McCormack, Golden Anniversary, Lilian and Gerry Prior, Eleni Latimer and Valerie Conroy</i>

I find I keep shouting out “Broccoli, cauliflowers.....”

I think I’m suffering from florets.....

This week’s winning joke at the Edinburgh Fringe.