



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



All Saints Church, High Street, Golborne, Warrington, WA3 3BG

[Website: stcatherineandallsaints.co.uk](http://stcatherineandallsaints.co.uk)

St. Lewis Church, 86 Mustard Lane, Croft, Warrington, WA3 7BD

[Website: stlewis.co.uk](http://stlewis.co.uk)

Parish Priest: Fr. Gordon Abbs

Deacon: Rev. Derek Morris

Parish Office: All Saints, High Street, Golborne, Warrington, WA3 3BG

Open: 9am-2pm, Monday-Friday **Parish Office Manager:** Elizabeth Casey

Tel: 01942 273851 **Email:** lgsadmin@rcaol.org.uk

SUNDAY 18TH JANUARY 2026

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Parish Mass Book Page 125, Order of Mass P6, The Nicene Creed P11

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist is inviting us to look closely at Jesus. He calls Jesus the **'Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world'**. We say these words often at Mass and today we are invited to meditate on them more closely. What does it mean? The lamb is one who is sacrificed... the sins of the world are many, broken relationships with one another at every turn. Today we are asked to think especially of Refugees and Migrants and the sins committed against them.

The treatment of these groups who are marginalised, exiled from their homes due to war, famine, drought, unemployment is often unjust and is part of what Pope Francis referred to as a culture of 'slave labour'. These outcast groups are frequently treated with disrespect, racism, condemnation and resentment.

A message from Pope Francis' may guide us closer to understanding the message of John the Baptist in the Gospel: 'Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity... A change of attitude towards migrants and refugees is needed on the part of everyone, moving away from attitudes of defensiveness and fear, indifference and marginalisation – all typical of a throwaway culture – towards attitudes based on a culture of encounter, the only culture capable of building a better, more just and fraternal world'.

***In the marginalised can we see Jesus coming towards us
and say: 'Look, there is the lamb of God'?***



Part of the Archdiocese of Liverpool: Charity number 1199714
Serving the Catholic Community of Golborne, Lowton, Croft & Culcheth

Peace Sunday

Almighty God

We thank you for your gift of peace.
Your peace is 'unarmed and disarming'
not victory or defeat, but fraternity and dialogue,
the fruits of justice and forgiveness.

Open our eyes to see the world -
not from the viewpoint of the mighty
but from that of the widow, the orphan,
the stranger, the wounded child,
the exile and the fugitive.

We pray for change to come — a new era,
the dawn of your kingdom of justice and peace.

Disarm our hearts, Lord, that we
may have peace in ourselves
and bring that gift to others. **Amen.**

Children's Liturgy

The first Children's Liturgy for 2026 will be this **Sunday 18th January at All Saints.**

Churches Together in Culcheth, Croft, Glazebury & Winwick

This Sunday 18th January

Our Ecumenical service will be held at Glazebury Methodist Church on Warrington Road near Bents Garden Centre this Sunday. We will be serving refreshments from 3.30pm until 4.30pm when the service commences. All local churches are invited to join us to celebrate the start of the week of Christian Unity. If anyone would like transport to the service itself, please contact Kevin Jones or Gill Hamilton at the end of today's Mass. We hope to see many of you there for this important Ecumenical event.



Care For Creation



The next meeting of the Care for Creation team will be held at All Saints in the Francis Room on **Sunday 25th January after 10:30am mass.**
All are welcome.

Joke of the week:

Marriage Advice...

When your wife asks... what's on TV? Don't say... errr 'Dust'!!!!!!

Stats from the Archdiocese

We have received the following statistics from the Archdiocese with the heading
'Reasons to be Hopeful'

- ◆ 1,137 young people confirmed
- ◆ 2 new Deacons
- ◆ 15 miles walked in pilgrim walks
- ◆ 14 Priestly Jubilees
- ◆ 150 RCIA candidates (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*)
- ◆ 3,453 Adoramus visitors
- ◆ 6,000 young people made their First Holy Communion
- ◆ 44 people preparing for their wedding
- ◆ 100's attended the Marriage and Family Life Mass
- ◆ 71st Lourdes Miracle announced
- ◆ 2 new saints
- ◆ 1 New Archbishop
- ◆ 1 New Pope



Meet Your Archbishop – Wednesday 28th January 5:00pm

The Friends of the Metropolitan Cathedral are delighted to start the New Year with an evening with Archbishop John Sherrington.

It will commence with Mass at 5.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Then we will adjourn to the Gibberd Room where we will enjoy a hot pot supper and a glass of wine. There will be an opportunity to meet Archbishop John and share with him his ambitions and plans for our Archdiocese. The cost is £30.00 per person which will include a hot pot supper, wine and a donation to the Friends. Anyone wishing to sign up should email Claire at c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk in the first instance and details of how to pay will be shared. Numbers are limited so sign up fast!

Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 20th January at 7pm** in the Francis Room at All Saints. If any members are unable to come to the meeting would you please email the Parish Office.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit
Week Commencing 18th January for:
Maureen Quinn & Thomas Towey*

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 17th January 2026 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Frank Gavaghan

Sunday 18th January 2026 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Luke & Mark Talbot
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Catherine Dyer
Sun 11:30am	All Saints	Baptism	Oscar Southern

Tuesday 20th January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Joan & John Humphreys
--------------	-----------	------	-----------------------

Wednesday 21st January 2026 Memorial of St. Agnes

Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	People of the Parishes
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	

Thursday 22nd January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Andrea Young, Barry Coleman
---------------	-----------	------	-----------------------------

Friday 23rd January 2026 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Gerald Cross
------------	------------	------	--------------

Saturday 24th January 2026 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Kath & Terry Swit

Sunday 25th January 2026 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Jack Tatlock, Parker Family, Ann Gibbons, John Calderbank,
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Deceased Members of the Tully Family



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