



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



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The events of Holy Week, and in particular the account of Jesus' Passion that we listen to today, present us with a choice that we cannot avoid making. The scriptures tell us that Jesus underwent six trumped up court cases before

Annas, Caiaphas, the Sanhedrin, Pilate, Herod and then Pilate once more. He was shunted about because no one could find any fault with him that merited him being charged and no one wanted to take responsibility. Finally he was charged with blasphemy. They said he claimed to be the Son of God. If someone claims to be the Son of God then there are three basic responses we can make to them. First, we can presume that they are mentally unstable like the man whose psychiatric illness convinces him that he is Napoleon Bonaparte. Such people are actually harmless; they believe what they are saying but are simply deluded. Did Jesus show any of these signs of delusion? Secondly, we could be tempted to think that a person claiming to be the Son of God was involved in some sort of trick or fraud. It's likely to be a con where we will end up losing money while they disappear without trace. What did Jesus get out of it? The only other response we can make is to presume that the claim is true. Did Jesus' teaching bring people closer to God? Did he speak about a closeness with the Father that made him in some sense inseparable from God? Did he gain any personal profit from this claim? Was it borne out in the way he lived his life? When it came to facing death did he use the opportunity to escape his fate? If Jesus was a fool then his Passion can have little merit. If he was involved in an elaborate religious scam then his Passion may even be thought of as deserved, but, if he really was the Son of God then why did he allow it to happen? **The next seven days invite us to ponder...**

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Serving the Communities of Golborne, Lowton, Croft, Culcheth, Risley & Glazebury.



Stations of the Cross: will be at St. Lewis on Monday 25th March at 7pm, there will be no Stations of the Cross at All Saints, though they are still available to view on our both of our websites, under the heading Videos.



Metropolitan Cathedral, Wednesday 27th March:

There are still places available on the coach if anyone would like to come who hasn't put their name down. If you wish to go please do leave your name on the signing up sheet in the porch or ring Elizabeth in the office. There will be no charge for the coach.

The coach will leave from All Saints church at 6.15pm

Golborne & Lowton Churches Together

Stations of the Cross: will take place at 7:30pm on Wednesday 27th March at St. Thomas Church, Golborne.

Walk of Witness: our Ecumenical journey will conclude on Good Friday, 29th March starting at St. Mary's church, Lowton at 10:30am, the second church will be St. Lukes, Lowton ending at St. Thomas' church, Golborne.

Behold Exhibition Books: There are still some booklets produced by Gill Hamilton of the sketches from the her exhibition accompanied by prayers for Lent written by Pope St. John Paul II. ***The booklets can be purchased at the back of both churches for £5 each with £1 being donated to the SVP. Booklets are also available from Gill's website: www.hamiltonoriginalart.co.uk***

There will be a Good Friday 2nd Collection for:
The Christian Churches in the Holy Land

This Weeks Joke

What did the dirt say to the rain?

If this keeps up, my name will be mud!!!

New Offertory Envelopes 2024-2025

Your new offertory envelopes are in the porch, if you haven't picked them up please do so as the first week to start using these envelopes is the weekend of 7th April.

Could we please remind that the final envelope to use for 2023-2024 will be Easter Weekend, if you have any left please throw them away. Due to the numbering system we can't track your gift for tax purposes: we can only do this using your current envelopes. Thank you.

All Saints Food Bank

If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of Tinned Vegetables and Potatoes. Cereal, Porridge and Packets of Pasta Sauces.



At the moment we don't need any pasta. Thank You

Asylum-Seekers Project

The final batch of garments and blankets will be sent off to the Centre within the next week. Please contact Margaret Ruxton at St Lewis or Jean Marsh at All Saints to organise collection or delivery of any completed items to be included this time. ***Thank you.***

Pilgrimages to Lourdes

There are 2 pilgrimages to Lourdes with Liverpool Archdiocese this year, the first is from 18th - 27th July, the second is 20th - 26th October. **For more details and prices, please see the poster on the noticeboard.**

Walsingham Pilgrimage: 19th—22nd August 2024

This year will be the 53rd Pilgrimage to Walsingham at Our Lady's Church, Bryn. Canon John will be leading the pilgrimage once again this year. For booking forms or more information, please speak to Trish Henry at All Saints or contact the parish office on 01942 273851.

Care for Creation Meeting

Care for Creation meeting will take place on Palm Sunday at All Saints in the Francis Room after 10:30am Mass. ***Anyone is welcome to come***



The Sanctuary Lamp at **All Saints Church** will be lit
Week Commencing 24th March ***In Thanksgiving (T)***



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

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 23rd March 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jamie Bulger, Wills Bolger, Charlie Marriott

Sunday 24th March 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Fr Vincent Burrowes
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Bob Hawkes, Baby Finley, Paul & Cathy

Monday 25th March 2024 Monday in Holy Week

Mon 7:00pm	St. Lewis	Stations of the Cross	
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Tuesday 26th March 2024 Tuesday in Holy Week

Tues 10.00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Gerald Murphy
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Wednesday 27th March 2024 Wednesday in Holy Week

Wed 9:30pm	All Saints	Mass	Jack Heyworth & Kathryn Aspey
Wed 12:30pm	St. Lewis	Requiem Mass for Brenda Seddon	
Wed 7.30 pm	Chrim Mass, Liverpool Cathedral		

The Sacred Triduum

Thursday 28th March 2024 Holy Thursday

Thurs 8:00pm	All Saints	Mass of the Lord's Supper	
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Friday 29th March 2024 Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Fri 3:00pm	All Saints	The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ	
Fri 3:00pm	St. Lewis	The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ	

Saturday 30th March 2024 The Easter Vigil

Sat 6:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Rae & Ron Price, Yves Menquy
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Sunday 31st March 2024 Easter Day

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Fr Frank O'Kelly, John Bibby
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Peter Foster, Bob Robinson