



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



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**SUNDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2024
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Parish Mass Book Page 149,
Order of Mass P6, The Nicene Creed P11**



Today's Gospel presents Bartimaeus *the blind man*. Everything conspired to tell him he was useless: he couldn't work (and there was no Social Services); he couldn't support himself and he couldn't support a family – if he had one. He missed most of what was going on. He was a nuisance – *begging*, perhaps an insistent beggar.

Had he ever got to Jerusalem, he would have been barred from the temple.

Why was he blind? Had he sinned? probably most of those who knew him thought he had. Did he have friends? He lived on the margins, hardly even a half-life. When he called out to Jesus, people quickly told him to shut up: But he didn't shut up. He shouted more loudly. Unlike the rich man of a few weeks ago, the one who walked away sad, the blind man did not ask: *What must I do to inherit eternal life?* He pleaded only, *Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me*. Jesus simply asked him: *What do you want me to do for you?* He got him to articulate his desire; and then went on to say: *Your faith has saved you, your faith has provided the basis for your sight*.

He was the symbol of the enlightened disciple who, once enabled to see, ***“followed Jesus along the way”***. He had already lived his own Calvary - so for him the way led to new and unimaginable life. Sight is just one of the many gifts that God has given to us. Like all of our basic senses and talents, sight is a gift we often take for granted. When we congratulate ourselves for our accomplishments do we forget that whatever we do, we do with the gifts that God has given to us?

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October: The month of the Holy Rosary
October is a period of special devotion to Mary our Mother

As October draws to a close, the Holy Rosary will continue to be prayed at 9:10am before Friday morning mass at All Saints. It will also remain available on both St. Lewis and St. Catherine & All Saints websites. To pray via the website, choose the heading 'Videos' and then 'The Rosary'.

All Saints Foodbank

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 the following Tinned Products: **Fruit, Ham or Chicken, Cereal or Porridge. Long Life Milk (not soya or oat etc...).** Toiletries, Sanitary Products.



Donations: If you make a monetary donation to the Foodbank using the envelopes provided, could you please put your envelope in with the offertory collection.

Blessing of the Graves:



will take place on **Sunday 3rd November** at St. Lewis' after 9:00am Mass and at All Saints after 10:30am Mass.

Pious List envelopes for the month of November

A number of masses will be celebrated during November for our Pious Lists– all those loved ones we remember and pray for at this time of year who have gone before us. Please pick up your envelopes from the back of church, complete the slip inside, enclose the offering in the envelope and bring them back.



Remembrance Sunday Service Golborne: 10th November



The Golborne Remembrance Sunday Service will take place on Sunday 10th November at 2.30pm at the cenotaph. The parade will leave Legh Court, led by Golborne Brass Band at 2.15pm. After the service refreshments will be provided.

This Week's Joke:

How did dinosaurs pass their exams?

With Extinction

All Saints Day



Holy Day of Obligation: Friday 1st November

For all the saints who from their labours rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia! (W.W. How 1823-97)

When we call upon the saints in heaven they intercede on our behalf, asking God to help us in our time of need. The saints have lived exemplary lives, and their devotion to God can inspire us to lead a more faithful life.

By praying to the saints, we can seek their intercession and ask for their guidance in our daily struggles in becoming saints of our own age.

“Your Christian history...is not over. Your saints are not silent....

Your saints are alive. They are the guarantors of your past and of your future”

(St Pope John Paul II, Homily of April 21, 1990)

Harvest Festival: Thank you's

We would like to say **Thank You** to the parents, families and parishioners of All Saints School, St. Catherine's School, St. Lukes School, Lowton, St. Lukes Church, Lowton, St. Thomas Church, Golborne who donated the food they collected for Harvest Festival to our Foodbank. Also, the children at St Catherine's school donated £85.00 from their pumpkin raffle. **Thank You** again for your kindness in thinking of others.

Ecumenical Service for Peace in the Holy Land: Wed 6 November 7pm

Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Hedgefield Rd, Gateacre, L25 2RW

Archbishop McMahon will lead a time of prayer for peace at this time of increased violence, hatred, fear and mistrust in the Holy Land.

Canon Mark Madden will preach. Through the Word of God, stillness, reflection, and song we are invited to be united in our cry for peace. All are welcome!

“Let us pray with one heart and one soul –grant us peace, teach us peace, guide our steps in the way of peace.” Pope Francis.



*The Sanctuary Lamp at All Saints will be lit
Week Commencing 28th of October for a Special Intention (MW)*

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 26th October 2024 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Eucharistic Service led by Deacon Derek
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Sunday 27th October 2024 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service led by Ann
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Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service led by Linda and Elizabeth
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Tuesday 29th October 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass or Eucharistic Service

Wednesday 30th October 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	George & Ellen Knight
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Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
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Thursday 31st October 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Thurs 10.00am	St Lewis	Mass	Agnes Coleman
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Friday 1st November 2024 Solemnity of All Saints

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Rosa da Silva
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Fri 11:00am	St Lewis	Mass	Edward Wall
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Saturday 2nd November 2024 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
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Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Sandra Ster
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Sunday 3rd November 2024 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	People of the Parishes
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Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Catherine & Brian Redmond, Christopher Fahey
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*Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community;
all those who have died recently especially Mary Naughton
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.*