



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



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SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2024

4TH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Parish Mass Book Page 132 Order of Mass P6,

The Nicene Creed P11



But man, proud man, Dress'd in a little brief authority,

Most ignorant of what he's most assur'd...

'Measure for Measure' William Shakespeare

We probably wouldn't have to look too hard for examples of public figures who seem to fit the above description. Puffed up with a sense of their own importance, they are anxious to be seen as the expert on a given subject, in spite of their limited knowledge or experience.

We criticise politicians if we feel they are blind to the struggles of ordinary people. They don't know what it's like, for example, to live on a minimum wage, or to be at risk of homelessness. On the other hand, it is refreshing when those in power have faced some of these issues themselves, or have made the effort to do their research and to listen to people. We can tell when someone is speaking with genuine authority and care.

Those who listen to Jesus teaching in the synagogue know there is something different and exciting about him. His teaching is in sharp contrast to the scribes they are used to hearing. The difference, stated twice in this passage, is his authority, and it leaves his audience 'astonished'. He does not use it in the way we might tend to use our 'little brief authority', to make ourselves look good. Instead he uses his authority to serve, to love, and to bring mercy and freedom.

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

Covid Advice

Face Coverings: are now optional for people who attend a service in church.

Hand Sanitiser: there is the opportunity to sanitise hands, before and after Mass.

Golborne Rail Station

A meeting chaired by Andy Burnham took place on Thursday 4th January at Parkside Sports & Community Club to discuss Golborne Station which is due to be opened in 2027. The current proposal, subject to consultation and business case, is to build a new station near to the site of the previous Golborne Station which will have an hourly service between Wigan and Stalybridge (via Manchester Victoria). The meeting was to listen to the views of the community and will be used to inform the next stages of the development of the scheme, ahead of the final business case being submitted to the government early in 2025. You can give your views in the following ways **until Thursday 15th February:**

-**Completing a paper copy of the survey**, available to pick up at: Golborne Library, Golborne Sports & Social Club or Parkside Sports & Community Club.

-**Complete an online survey at** www.participate.wigan.gov.uk/en-GB

-**One more Public drop-in session left at:**

-**Parkside Sports and Community Club** Thursday 8th February 18:00 – 21:00

All Saints Food Bank

We are still using the food we received over the Christmas period, however we are in need of toiletries, toilet rolls etc... if you are able to help with these.



Also if you have any **CARRIER BAGS** that are taking over a draw or cupboard at home... we would gladly take them off your hands.

The Afternoon Club

The next meeting of the Afternoon Club will be this coming **Tuesday 30th January from 1.30-3.30pm** in the Benedict Room at All Saints. If anyone from St. Lewis would like to come along but can't get to All Saints, the SVP have kindly offered to provide transport.



Please contact the parish office on 01942 273851 and we will arrange for the SVP to contact you. **Everyone is Welcome.**

This Weeks Joke

What do you call a hippie's wife?

Mississippi !!!!!!!

Sacrament of Confirmation



Any young person in Year 8 who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, needs to register at: www.liverpoolcalled.co.uk Once on the website you will need to click 'Register for Confirmation' which is at the top right hand side of the page. **Registration opens on Monday 15th January and will close on Friday 15th March.** Information about the programme structure the young people will follow can be found on the Liverpool Called Website.

2nd Collection This Weekend: World Leprosy Day

Sunday 28th January 2024 is World Leprosy Day and we have been asked by the Charity Lepra to help them by having a special collection as 2024 is the charity's centenary year.



With your help we can find, diagnose and treat more people affected by leprosy so that they will have a brighter future, full of hope.

If you would like further information, please contact LauriceJ@lepra.org.uk

Racial Justice Sunday: 28th January

The theme for Racial Justice Sunday is: “Seeing one another in the life of the Church”.

It is important to recognise that we are all children of God, regardless of our race and background. This year's theme seeks to promote reflection, discussion and action on our theme and to encourage us to carry this through in the weeks and months after Racial Justice Sunday.

For this year's resources, we are celebrating the diversity of those who have led holy and exemplary lives. Our Catholic saints walked in this world as we do and were men and women of heroic virtue that can intercede for us to bring our prayers to the Lord.

***God of our past, present and future,
you created each one of us in your image and likeness,
help us to recognise you in each person.
As we pray for end to suffering caused by racism
lead us this day to walk with one another,
pray with one another and work together,
so that we create a future based on justice and healing,
where all can fulfil the hope you have for all peoples.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.***

Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 27th January 2024 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Eucharistic Service
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Sunday 28th January 2024 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service
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Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service
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Tuesday 30th January 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time

Tues 10.00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service
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Wednesday 31st January 2024 Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest & Doctor

Wed 9.30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service
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Wed 10-10:30am	The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
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Wed 11:00am	All Saints	Funeral Service for Michael Jackson
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Wed 3:00pm	Funeral Service for Henry Hulme, Howe Bridge	
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Thursday 1st February 2024 Weekday in Ordinary time

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Eucharistic Service
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Friday 2nd February 2024 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service
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Saturday 3rd February 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Mandy Daly, Rita Charnock
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Sunday 4th February 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Peter Sydoruk, Jaide Parker, William Burke, Ann Gibbons
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Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	A Successful Treatment
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Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community
and all those who have died recently especially
**Michael Jackson, Thomas Clarkson, Henry Hulme,
Mavis Dunn** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.