



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



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### **SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2024 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B Parish Mass Book Page 134 Order of Mass P6, The Nicene Creed P11**



In today's gospel we read about Jesus' first healing in Mark's Gospel. Jesus hears of the illness of the mother of Simon's wife and goes to her. Due to the purity laws of his time this scene would have been considered controversial. His first healing is of a woman and we are told that he touches her, raises her up; he completely restores her to health. Many of his actions here would be considered taboo.

The 'whole city' was crowded around the door as other people also wanted to be healed. What a commotion! Jesus, very early on in his ministry, is clearly a very popular, attractive figure. Jesus is the healer. We might ask ourselves today: who do we know who is in need of healing of any kind? This week, how can we reach out to them?

Another important aspect of this story is that Jesus does not remain comfortable in this house. He keeps moving, keeps going outward. This requires so much energy and an outpouring of love for those in need. Jesus shows us in today's gospel what it takes to stay connected, to re-energise ourselves for our various tasks: quiet time and space for real encounter with God. Even then, the people hunted for him. 'Everyone is searching for you', and still today, everyone is searching. It is up to all of us to help those on this journey, the seekers, the lost and those in need of healing. We cannot break new ground unless we are inwardly free and connected to that divine presence within us and in our world.

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Serving the Communities of Golborne, Lowton, Croft, Culcheth, Risleigh & 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.

## *Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February*

**For the terminally ill:** We pray for the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, may they receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment they need.

## *Golborne Rail Station*

If you would like to give your views regarding Golborne station ahead of the final business case being submitted to the government early in 2025. You can do so 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](http://www.participate.wigan.gov.uk/en-GB)

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

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

## *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 Tomatoes, Vegetables and Beans. Long Life Milk (not soya or oat etc...) and Cereal.



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.

## *Parish Council Meeting*

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 6th February at 7.00pm** in the Francis room at All Saints.

## *St Lewis SVP Meeting*

The next meeting of the SVP will be on **Wednesday 7th February at 7.00pm** in the meeting rooms at St Lewis church.

## **This Weeks Joke**

What month is the best month to tell a lie?

***Fibuary!!!!***

## *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](http://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.

## *Offertory Collection Envelopes*

It's getting to that time of year again when we have to order the Offertory Envelopes for the new tax year. If you have envelopes each year and want to continue to use them, you don't have to do anything; we will order new ones for you.



***However... please contact the Parish Office on 01942 273851 before 1st March if.....***

- ◆ You would like to stop using the envelopes and would like your offertory to be made by Standing Order.
- ◆ You don't have envelopes and would like to start using them or would like your offertory to be made by Standing Order.
- ◆ You have envelopes and you no longer want to use them.
- ◆ You are gift aiding and no longer paying tax or you're a tax payer & would like to start to gift aid.

**Gift Aid:** If you pay tax and you Gift Aid your offerings this means that the government will pay the parish an additional 20% on top of your donation.

## *Ecumenical Lent Talks: Golborne & Lowton Churches Together*

We will be having Lent talks again this year, which will be held at All Saints Church each Wednesday during Lent.

The evening will begin with Mass at 7:00pm and the talks will begin at 7:45pm in the Francis Room. Tea & Coffee will be available. The evening will finish around 8:30pm.

***The theme of this year's talks is "Go and do likewise"  
based on the parable of the Good Samaritan.***

## *Services, Mass Times and Intentions*

### **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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### **Tuesday 6th February 2024 Memorial of St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**

Tues 10.00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Fr. John Walsh, Peter, Phyllis
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Tues 2:00pm	All Saints	<b>Funeral Service for Mavis Dunn</b>	
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### **Wednesday 7th February 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time**

Wed 9.30am	All Saints	Mass	People of the Parishes
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Wed 10-11am	<b>The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>		
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### **Thursday 8th February 2024 Weekday in Ordinary time**

Thurs 10:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Alan Horn, Philip Pendlebury
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### **Friday 9th February 2024 Weekday in Ordinary Time**

Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	James Winstanley
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### **Saturday 10th February 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	
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Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Fr. Michael Hopkins
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### **Sunday 11th February 2024 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Jordan & Christine Berry, Jean Gardner, Maguire Family
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Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Frank & Doris Gaskell, Ben Houlton, Val & John Wallace
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Sun 11:30am	All Saints	Baptism	Mabel Anne Richardson
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Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community  
and all those who have died recently especially **Mavis Dunn**  
and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.