

Newsletter St Austin's & St Teresa's Parishes:

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 10/11 February 2024

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WE STAND UNITED IN OUR PRAYER WITH THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



The Word this week:



We begin our Lenten journey at the decisive moment of the flood, when God establishes his first Covenant with man, in the person of Noah. Noah was saved from the waters, while we (as Saint Peter points out) are saved by the waters of Baptism. This is the Covenant we live in, thanks to Christ, who came to establish this "new and eternal Covenant in his blood". He is the only one who can do this, because he is without sin, despite "having been tempted in every way that we are".

Sunday Masses:

St Austin's Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 9.30am:

St Teresa's 11.00am.

Weekday Masses at 9.15am This week:

Tuesday and Thursday at St Teresa's at 9.15am.

Wednesday and Friday at St Austin's at 9.15am.

Also, there is a **Saturday Morning Mass at 9.30am St Austin's. Confessions after Saturday Morning Mass and on request.**

The weekday Mass sheets return this week

Livestreaming Masses:

Masses & Services on Teams Tuesday & Thursday 9.15am and Sundays at 11.00am. Please E mail: stteresalivestreaming@rcaol.org.uk

Parish Websites

They are in construction now: We will adding pages etc and New forms over the next few weeks and months. staustinssthelens.com
stteresaofavilasthelens.com
have a look and also register with your Parishes

21st February 2024 St Teresa's Presbytery: St Teresa of Avila Parish - All our yesterdays.. Next

year, 2025, will mark the 100th anniversary of St Teresa of Avila Parish and the 60th anniversary of the consecration of our current church. A history of parish development and events that have taken place during this period is currently being compiled and memorabilia including photographs and newspaper cuttings etc is being gathered. These will be shared with parishioners next year to commemorate the development of our parish and its community at this special milestone in its history. Parishioners are invited to find out more about this project and to share memories with others about their own experiences of being part of St Teresa's Parish by joining us in the Presbytery on Wednesday 21st February to chat and reminisce over a cuppa and biscuits. The session will take place between 2pm and 3.30pm. If you have a story to tell or would like to listen to others telling theirs please come along. If you have any photos of weddings, schooldays etc at St Teresa's that you would be happy to be copied and included it would be much appreciated. We look forward to seeing you on the 21st!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

St Austin's each week on Wednesday mornings from 8.15am until 9.00am. *During Adoration, each week at St Austin's there will be a time of prayer for peace for Ukraine and the Middle East.* **St Teresa's Evening Prayer and adoration on Thursday: 1st March at 6.00pm – 7.00pm**

Raffle St Austin's

A Unique Photograph is being raffled ' Our Lady and the Heaven's' £1 per strip. All proceeds to the Maintenance Fund.

SVP:

We are looking for new members, in both our Parish Communities. It might be the new opportunity you have been looking for. Please let Fr Martin know or

alternatively ring 0799 990 0083. The direct number for the SVP shop is 02045996813 The SVP Shop has opened on Cambridge Rd. Monday - Saturday 9.00am until 4.30pm.

St Austin's Parish: Dorcas Group:

Meets on Tuesdays at 10.00am -12.00 Noon in the Parish Hall at St Austin's. New members are welcome from both parishes. Come along for a cup of Tea and a chat.

Lenten Journey for both Parishes.

'The Chosen' I have called you by name is the first of nine weeks Film Presentation:

From 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Wednesday St Teresa's in the Presbytery

21st 28th Feb, 6th 13th 20th March

Thursday St Austin's in the Sacristy

22nd 29th Feb, 7th 14th 21st March

Break for Easter.

Online by Teams Lectio Divina: 'The Way'

Online by 6.45pm starts at 7.00pm Tuesday 20th 27th

Feb, 5th 12th 19th March E mail Dave on

DaveL831@aol.com For more details.

Baptisms 2024

Please note that the new list of Baptism Courses are up in the porches for our Churches.

Red Box Holders (St Teresa's only)

Please bring in your boxes to Church between now and the 25th of February. Please see Mary

(SVP) Learning Hub: Support Group

St Teresa of Avila Presbytery. Every Monday morning Would you like to brush up your English skills?

- get help with form filling, job applications and CVs?
- learn English as a second language: reading, writing, speaking and listening?
- learn basic computer skills?

If the answer to any of these is yes, our friendly tutors are waiting to give you the support you need. For more information contact Mary on 07366383010 or drop in the presbytery for an informal chat on Monday mornings between 10.00 and 12.00. Thank you again for all your support.

The Collection for Ukraine:

Will be split between our own local SVP which is supporting locally Ukrainian refugees here and many others. And also Fr Oleh in the Ukraine and the Communities he serves.

LGBT+: Local Support Group:

The Parish of SS. Agnes & Aidan's Support group meet every 3rd Sunday of the month

Book of Remembrance Forms:

New Forms are now available from this weekend, the new prices are £15 for one and £28 for two entries

Feed my Lambs & Feed my Sheep

Foodbank: Thank you for all the food items you have brought in. We are feeding a number of Families, during this challenging time. If you need, or know anyone in need of help, please ask any SVP member. Or leave a message on 0799 990 0083.

'With You Always':

(First Reconciliation & First Holy Communions)

Children on the 'With you Always' preparation course are now encouraged to attend regularly with their Parents at one of the weekend Masses.

Are you fifty-five over older?

Would you like to join our club?

We meet every Tuesday from 1.30pm – 2.30pm at St Teresa's Club Windsor Rd WA10 4HW. All are Welcome. Bingo - Tea and Coffee Raffle and Friendly company. For Further information Ring Julie 07970114245.

Please remember the History project for

St Teresa's Parish : The Parish Founded in 1925

Do you have any Memories, Newspaper cuttings or Photographs. Please let us know. Phone on 01744 605087 Or E mail Christine O Neill on cmoneill2010@hotmail.co.uk

St Teresa's Church is in this Month's Edition of the Catholic Pictorial.

Family of Parishes:

Over the last few years we have been working more closely with our Parishes within the Catholic Deanery of St Helens. Also with our recent Archdiocesan Synodal Council, (November 2023), things are now moving forward. Please continue to pray for the work of our own Deanery Synodal Council. This work can be hard and challenging. In recent months I made the personal choice for health reasons to step as Dean. I will continue to be Parish Priest of both are Parishes. Thank you for your help and support.