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3rd & 4th October 2020

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St Helen's

Saturday 3rd

12.00 First Holy Communion Mass

NO CONFESSIONS

Sunday 4th

10.00 am Mass for Eileen Southern (anniversary)

Monday 5th

10.00 am Mass for Ann Kerruish (anniversary)

Wednesday 7th

10.00 am Mass for Mary Baxter (anniversary)

Friday 9th

10.00 am Mass for James Nicholas Seddon
(birthday remembrance)

Saturday 10th

12.00 First Holy Communion Mass

NO CONFESSIONS

Sunday 11th

10.00 am Mass for Anne England (sick)

St Joseph's

Saturday 3rd October

10.00 am First Holy Communion Mass

6.30 pm Mass for Stephen Mulholland (lately dead)

Sunday 4th

11.15 am Mass for the people of our parishes

Saturday 10th

6.30 pm Mass for Bernard Loveland (sick)

Sunday 11th

11.15 am Mass for Sheila Jones (lately dead)

Offertory collections: As you know we cannot have our offertory collection in the normal way (passing the baskets round) At every Mass there will always be a basket available in the porch for you to put envelopes and other donations. Thanks so much to all those people who have been putting their offerings away each week and are now bringing them along. This will help our finances a great deal.

Anniversaries:

*Mary Thornton, Margaret Griffiths, Wilfred Heyes, Maureen Cunningham,
Ann Kerruish, Mary Baxter, Agnes Baxendale, Joan Sanders, Josephine Messerli.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES:

Stephen Wilson, Christine Moore, John Murphy, Christopher Brown, John Regan, Hannah Amelia Regan, Hugh Dillon, Rita Barber, Celia Bradshaw, Margaret Walsh, Joan Bamber, Susan Natsheh, Peter Holmes, Mary Cookson-Gower, Norah Byford, Joan Pinnington, Joan Doyle, Rachel Cunningham, Reg Fitzgerald, Mary Kilbane, Ged Manning, Barbara Lee, Janet Kinsey, Betty Hennessey, Christopher Cadley, Stephen Deary, Carol Carroll, Celia Ross, Mary & Clare Rimmer, Sandra Wilkinson, Jane Kwok, Mary Birkett, Suzie Bell, Tony Walsh, John Dooley, George & Frank McVeigh, David (sick) Rachel Haney, Jean Tracy, Hagai Atzmon, John Summerfield, Eamon Fearon, Betty Walsh, Jim Dillon, , Graham French, Theo Wuisman, **Pat Overend, Anne England, Joan Loveridge** and two other sick people.
Please continue to pray for the recovery of **Michael Callaghan**, still in hospital, and for his family.

Special Collections: The Archdiocese have given us new dates for the Special Collections which should have taken place while the churches were closed. Many of you have already returned envelopes for these. Thank you!

For anybody else who would like to contribute ...

This weekend (3rd/4th October) - Peter's Pence

Friday 9th October is FAMILY FAST DAY

As it is the first Sunday of the month there will also be a collection for the work of the S.V.P.

SVP Awareness Appeal: Our SVP groups have channelled much of their vital work during the Covid 19 pandemic into the wider parish support groups: delivering groceries to vulnerable people unable to shop for themselves; collecting and delivering substantial amount of cash and much needed items to the local food bank; and, maintaining contact with lonely and isolated people. Now, in order to help carry on this work, the SVP are asking for your ongoing support through their monthly collections, for which baskets will be available this and next weekend. Many thanks

Justice & Peace Commission - Prepare the Future: Taking the Common Good Seriously.

You are invited to join Christine Allen, Director of CAFOD who will be giving a talk on Zoom on Saturday 10 October, 2020 at 10:00am – 12 noon including small group discussions to identify local actions. Registration to receive the link is on the Liverpool J&P website jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk

CAFOD (St Helen's) *pray-fast-give*

Remember the shortages of the early part of lockdown? No rice, flour or pasta, not to mention toilet rolls. Doing without isn't easy: CAFOD's invitation to fast is intended to provoke reflection, calling us to imagine the plight of so many for whom going without is far from a choice. Sometimes needs cannot be afforded and, in times of drought or famine, food to meet need doesn't exist.

The Harvest Family Fast Day is next Friday. Through a conscious effort to do without this week we may gain some little understanding of the lives of our brothers and sisters who often live at a subsistence level. Please try this and donate any savings you make to the Harvest appeal. Take an envelope today, there will be some as you leave church, and use it as a reminder and a stimulus to prayer. Many thanks for last week's donations of £143.



Please note: The Masses to celebrate the children's First Holy Communion were postponed because of the corona virus.

They will take place as follows:

St Joseph's: 3rd October at 10 am

St Helen's: Saturdays 3rd & 10th October at 12 noon

These Masses are for the children and their families only.

Unfortunately there will not be any spare capacity for other parishioners.

40 Days for Life have started a prayer campaign outside the abortion facility in Parkfield Rd, Aigburth. They are looking for more volunteers. To find out more please call Gabrielle on 07766975950

Sacred Heart Catholic College
Virtual Open Day

24th September at www.sacredheart.sefton.sch.uk



WATERLOO FOOD BANK: JOINT UPDATE FROM ST HELEN'S AND ST JOSEPH'S

Cash donations of £80, together with 54 bags were delivered last week. This included a large number of **much-needed items - long-life fruit juices and fruit squash/cordials**. These are still being asked for, as well as **tinned potatoes/tomatoes/rice pudding and instant mash potato**. **The running totals since lockdown are £9852 and 1260 bags**. Many, many thanks. The food bank is always grateful for all donations, with Value brands equally acceptable. These can be left at either church. Additional drop-off points: 39 Ilford Avenue, L23 7YE and 1 Halltine Close, L23 6XX. If anyone wants to give cash, please post envelopes, marked Food Bank, through either letter box.

Soft Toys for South Africa—update

The final figure, collected last Monday, amounted to 125+ bags of toys plus 20 bags of Lego (much of it brand new), a 36 inch high pile of educational books. Everything is now packed into 9 large 30 kg export cartons, being palletised before transport to Felixstowe, along with another 6 from donations in Hull. So far, we've even been given £220 towards freight costs!! There'll be so many happy faces on the young children in the township of Wolseley at Christmas. Can't thank everyone enough. The response has been brilliant!!

Clothes Collection

Over recent years, both parishes have delivered clothes to a variety of needy charities, including the Whitechapel Centre, the convent in Seel St, Asylum Link and the Bootle Community Centre. Following the summer break, we can now resume this activity and take contributions at both churches. However, clothing will only be accepted under certain strict circumstances. Firstly, they must be separated into different categories: men's, women's, boys', girls' and babies'. All bags must bear a note on the outside clearly stating what the contents are. We will not be able to accept any items which are mixed or not labelled, as we have no facility to do any sorting which must be carried out in advance and should exclude underwear (unless new) and any stained/torn/excessively worn clothes. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Please note:

In order to open our churches safely we have to follow instructions, which include keeping doors and windows open at all times. There will be no point in us trying to heat the churches under those conditions so please remember as winter gets closer that you may need your big coats, and woolly hats.

We can always use a few more volunteers for stewarding and cleaning.

If you would like to help please give Anne a ring.

Contributions for this newsletter need to reach the Parish Office **12 noon on Thursday.**

Please provide a contact 'phone number in case of query.

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