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Sunday 15th April 2018 - Third Sunday of Easter						
Saint Michael's				Saint Joseph's		
Sun				Sun	9.00am	Hillsborough Anniversary
	11am	John Sherrard			5.00pm	Parishioners
Mon	12 noon	Ronnie Lysaght		Mon	9.15am	Celebration of Word and Communion
Tues	9.15am	Celebration of Word and Communion		Tues	11am	Sheila Motley (Requiem)
Wed	9.15am	Celebration of Word and Communion		Wed	9:15am	Secular Clergy Fund
Thurs	9.15am	Edward, Henry & Muriel Davey		Thurs	9.15am	Celebration of Word and Communion
Fri	9:15am	Celebration of Word and Communion		Fri	9.15am	Deceased of SVP Conference
Sat	6:00pm	Sandie Edwards		Sat	11am-12	Reconciliation
Sunday 22nd April 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Easter						
Sun	11am	Eileen Cobb		Sun	9.00am	Hugh, Marie & Frank Hyland (Anniv)
					5.00pm	Private Intention

Morning Prayer of the Church (at both churches): 9.00am, Monday to Friday. Charismatic Prayer (St Joseph's) Friday 7:30 – 9:00pm. April 20th, May 4th, 18th, June 1st, 15th, 29th.

**Holy Hour (St Michael's)** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month at 7pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (St Joseph's) Saturday 11am to 12 noon (St Michael's) Weds 8.30am to 9am Sacrament of Reconciliation (St Joseph's) 11am -12noon on Saturdays. (St Michael's) 5.15-5.45pm on Saturdays. Syro-Malabar Rite Mass every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month at 3.30pm in St Joseph's Upton

### **Offertory Collection**

Good Friday £200.62
Plate/envelopes £515.16
Standing Orders £391.25 per month

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Plate/Envelopes £292.58
Lourdes £90.00
Holy host Fathers £336.40
Standing Orders £1358 per month

### Saints Club Winners (March)

1<sup>st</sup> St Eric L Allen £100

2<sup>nd</sup> St Stanilaus Eileen Conyer £50

3<sup>rd</sup> St Catherine Diane Williams £20

# **Development Society**

£100 145 S Barlow £50 105 K Murray

### St Michael & All Angels Catholic Primary School

New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Wirral CH49 5LE

Head Teacher: Mrs. Susan Ralph
School Tel: 0151 677 4088
schooloffice@stmichael-allangels.wirral.sch.uk

## St Joseph's Parish Centre

Greenbank Road Birkenhead Manager: Mrs Marge Penrose 0151 652 8487 (after 7pm)

8th April

### St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Woodchurch Road Oxton CH43 5UT Head Teacher: Mr. Alex Turner School Tel: 0151 652 6781 schooloffice@stjosephs-birkenhead.wirral.sch.uk <u>The Spiritans</u> (Holy Ghost Fathers) Thank you for your wonderful generosity last weekend to the appeal by the Holy Ghost Fathers.

<u>Children's Missals:</u> There are now a number of children's Missals available at the back of both churches to borrow during Mass. Why not borrow one and help your child grow in understanding of the Mass?

<u>Looking Ahead</u> Why not pick up a copy of Wednesday Word from the back of church and take an opportunity to reflect upon next weekend's scriptures.

Deepening our Faith—Knowing Jesus Better are opportunities to learn more about our shared faith and to grow as disciples of the Lord. Throughout our lives we should develop in our relationship with Jesus Christ. Please see the flyers and poster at the back of church and put the dates in your diary. The Creed is a six session look at the profession of faith starting this Wednesday, 18 April, at 7.30pm in Saint Joseph's Parish Centre. There will be another opportunity to join us for Alpha from Thursday 19th April at 2pm in Saint Michael's Parish Room. Why not seize these opportunities?

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Thank you from ST MICHAEL'S SVP Many thanks to everyone who supported our Easter Raffle by buying tickets or donating prizes. We raise close to £300, which will help to pay for a deserving child to enjoy a fantastic week at the SVP Camp. A full list of lucky prize-winners is displayed in the porch window. The prizes have been left in the Sacristy please collect it as soon as possible. THANKS AGAIN.

<u>Smartie Time</u> Not quite had enough Chocolate? Why not pick up a free tube of <u>Smarties</u> at St Michael's after 11:00 Mass. Instead of throwing the tube away please fill it with 20p coins and bring it back to church when full as a donation in aid of the Youth to Lourdes.

Family Fun Night This Friday, 20th April, at 8:00pm. An opportunity to come together as family and enjoy a Pig Race Night in the Parish Centre. We are looking for race sponsors and pig sponsorship for the races. Family ticket up to 5 people £ 10 individual tickets £3. Please see Sr Catherine. All proceeds in aid of Youth to Lourdes. Fish 'n' Chip Supper Come and celebrate Saint George at

Saint Michael & All Angels on Friday 27th April from 7.30pm. Tickets £6 to include musical entertainment provided by Blackthorn Root. Bring your own drinks!

Churches Together In Saint Joseph's parish we are praying this week for those in the following roads:

Cheviot Close, Cheviot Rd, Cleehill Rd, Fountain St, Frodsham St, Gayton Ave & Glover St.

Work and Love "The big things in our lives" led by Canon Brendan Hoban is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held at Wistaston Hall, next Saturday, 21 April, starting at 9.30pm. Please contact Siobhan Cartwright for further details (siobhanbc@gmail.com or tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947).

<u>CCRS: The next module</u> The Person of Jesus, led by Fr Tony McGrath for the Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies begins on Saturday 21 April at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY (9:30am for) 10:00— 3:30pm with the second unit on Saturday 19 May. registration forms and details are on the website at <a href="https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs">www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs</a>. A noncertificate option is also available (no essays!) Particularly aimed at teachers, catechists and those who wish to learn more about our Catholic Faith.

Youth Ministry Following Our Mission Together in St Michael's the decision was made to employ a Parish Youth Minister. This post is now being advertised in conjunction with St Maximillian Kolbe Parish Runcorn. The successful candidate will be working closely with Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team and the individual Parishes to provide a positive Catholic role model enabling young people to see their lives though the gospel lens. This is to be a fulltime post with a salary between £19,00 and £22,000. If you are or know someone who may be interested in this position please see the posters in church or contact the Diocese for more in depth information.

#### www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies

"The Eucharist and....." Holy Apostles & Martyrs Wallasey are, in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress, presenting a series of talks by invited guests that are designed to reflect upon the connection between the Eucharist and Prayer, Charity, Shakespeare, and Human Rights. These will take place on 15th, 29th April and 13th, 29th of May in the evenings between 6-8pm. Please see the poster if you are interested.

Diocesan Symposium on The Eucharist
will now take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June and Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>
June. Please put these dates in your diary! Info to follow.
Save the date! Father Denis McBride and David Wells
are coming to our Local Pastoral Area on Saturday 5th
May to talk about Discipleship. The day begins at 11am
and will be finished for 2.30pm. Please contact Chris
Malone via email if you intend to go along.
(malone481@yahoo.co.uk). Please see the poster for
further details.

<u>Prayers</u> Please keep Fr Jim Farrell and Deacon Peter Bravey in your prayers as both are seriously ill.

## Welcome

to Marnie Thompson, Connor Stephen Thompson & Ray Kevin Thompson, who were all baptised at Saint Joseph's.



### Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Sheila Motley whose Requiem will be held on Tuesday, 17th April, at 11:00am in St Joseph's Jim McDonagh whose funeral service will now take place on Wednesday, 18th April, at 9:00am in Landican South Chapel

**Michael Halligan** whose funeral service will be held on Wednesday, 18th April, at 11:00am at St Joseph's

**Geraldine Murphy** whose funeral service with communion is at 11am in St Joseph's on Friday 20th April followed by Cremation.

**Jack Doyle** whose funeral service is at 12.30pm on Friday 20th April in St Joseph's

**Newsletter:** Items for the newsletter must be at St Joseph's Presbytery by 6pm on Thursday. Thank you.