

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

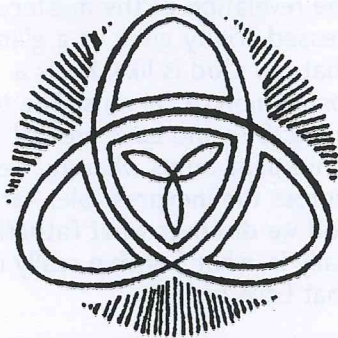
Diocese of Shrewsbury

FRODSHAM

PASTORAL AREA OF
RUNCORN & FRODSHAM

TRINITY SUNDAY

15th June 2014



CONFESSIONS. Saturday before Mass 5.00-5.40pm

IN MEMORIAM Let us pray for deceased family and friends and in particular this week for Fr Jim Jones SCJ, ordained at Malpas in 1949, he served at Malpas in 1960's, Sacred Heart Wythenshawe in 1970's, and St Joseph's Stockport in 1980's, and came back to retire there in 2007. also for Mgr John Williams, ordained priest 1956, and served in Birkenhead, and Sale. Became an Army Chaplain 1966, and later Senior Army Chaplain and Vicar General of the Forces. Retiring from the army in 1989 he was Parish Priest in Ellesmere and later Heswall until he retired in 2005. May they all rest in peace.

COLLECTION last week £633. Many thanks to you all.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES total for the Spring Collection was £305-27. Thanks to all contributors.

Sacrament of Confirmation. The Bishop will celebrate the sacrament at St Luke's on Wednesday 13th November. The preparation course will start in September. The usual age for Confirmation is in third year High School, or above. Please enter your name and contact address on the list in the porch.

VIGIL FOR SYRIA at Holy Spirit Church Monday 9th June 7pm-8pm all welcome.

MESSY CHURCH at Weaver Vale School 2.30-5pm on 30th June If you can help with refreshments ie. Sandwiches, coke etc. Please contact Aelison on 07507 481 972. Help on the day greatly appreciated

SUMMER TALK at St Monica's, Appleton, Tues 17th June 7.30pm 'How does the Church listen to the world? Dr Peter Phillips. Mass at 7pm.

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Sat	14 June 6.00pm	Vera Robinson
Sun	15 June 9.00am	Fr. Keith Brigham
	11.00am	St. Luke's Parish
Mon	16 June 9.30am	Frank Tobin Jr.
Tues	17 June 6.15pm	Fr. Jim Jones
Wed	18 June 9.30pm	Mgr John Williams
Thu	19 June 9.30am	Int Caroline Clark.
Fri	20 June 9.30am	Agnes & Will Hayes
Sat	21 June 6.00pm	Int Fr Dennis Maher (50th)
Sun	22 June 9.00am	Special Int.
	11.00am	St. Luke's Parish.

Thanks to Canon Michael Gannon, the Bishop's Vicar General, who came to let us know of the appointment of Fr Frank Waters SDS. as PP of St Lukes from 1st October. Also the need to restrict the number of Weekend Masses to enable St Luke's and the Parish of Divine Saviour, Runcorn to support each other when necessary. Our weekend attendance does not exceed 325 which can be readily accommodated at two masses. Currently, Fr Malecki in Runcorn celebrates Mass 5pm, Saturday, at St Augustine's, 9am Sunday St Martin's, and 11am Our Lady's. St. Luke's would fit in if we have 6pm Mass Saturday, 10am Sunday, enabling either priest to be flexible in emergency.

Our Steering Group propose that we adopt this pattern from my last Sunday as PP. 20th July. I agree that it is the only satisfactory outcome. If this change causes a transport problem, please refer it to any member of our Steering Group. After 10am Mass on 20th July there will be an opportunity to gather for light refreshments on my final Sunday as Parish Priest.

Deacon Paul Harris from Runcorn will be ordained priest for the Salvatorian Fathers at 12noon on 28th June at St. Edward's, Runcorn. All members of our Pastoral Area are invited to share in the Mass and give thanks to God. Some may wish to contribute to an ordination gift. Envelopes are now available, please return them in the Offertory Collection

INVOCATION 2014 A vocations Gathering at St Mary's Seminary Oscott Fri 4th-6th July- a time for faith and friendship, prayer and worship engaging talks and inspiring workshops. A weekend to think about who God is calling you to be. More details and a booking form available from invocation.org.uk

OUR FAITH ON SUNDAY

Liturgy

The Most Holy Trinity (A)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father,
and the Only Begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

FIRST READING:

Exodus 34:4-6.8-9
Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion.

PSALM:

Dan 3:52-56. R.v52

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

Blest your glorious holy name.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

You are blest in the temple of your glory.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

You are blest who gaze into the depths.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

You are blest in the firmament of heaven.

R. To you glory and praise for evermore.

SECOND READING:

II Corinthians 13:11-13

*The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Cf. Apoc 1:8
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
the God who is, who was, and who is
to come.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

John 3:16-18

*God sent his Son so that through him the
world might be saved.*

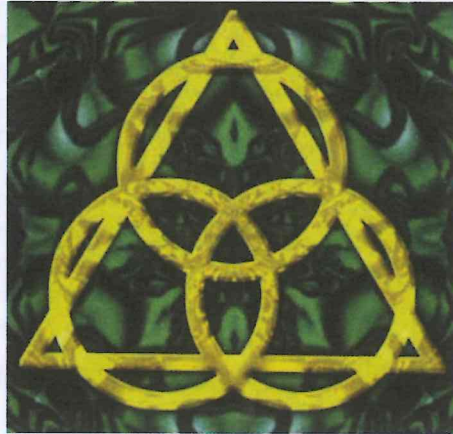
COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Gal 4: 6

Since you are children of God,
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit
of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.



GOSPEL REFLECTION



*Go therefore and teach all nations,
baptising them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

In the Sacred Liturgy we celebrate the mysteries of God as revealed to us in Jesus Christ. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is no different, as it is Christ who reveals Himself to us as the eternal Son of the heavenly Father united in the Holy Spirit. What is different about today's liturgy is that we concentrate our attention, not (as is usually the case) on some event of salvation history, but rather on God Himself as He is. Every prayer we offer in the Liturgy is made to the Father through the Son in the Holy Spirit.

There is only one God, and that one God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They are not three gods, but one God who subsists in three Persons.

The revelation of the mystery of the Blessed Trinity gives us a glimpse of what our God is like. He is a communion of Persons. The terms Father, Son and Love are not merely convenient terms whereby we try to express the inexpressible. Rather, in God we discover what Fatherhood really is, what Sonship really is, and what Love really is.

Celebrating the Christian Mystery

A new series drawing on themes from the Catechism of the Catholic Church (ccc).

The human heart is heavy and hardened. God must give man a new heart. Conversion is first of all a work of the grace of God who makes our hearts return to him: "Restore us to thyself, O LORD, that we may be restored!" God gives us the strength to begin anew. It is in discovering the greatness of God's love that our heart is shaken by the horror and weight of sin and begins to fear offending God by sin and being separated from him. the human heart is converted by looking upon him whom our sins have pierced:

Let us fix our eyes on Christ's blood and understand how precious it is to his Father, for, poured out for our salvation it has brought to the whole world the grace of repentance.

CCC 1432

Monsignor Bruce Harbert – Thoughts on today's Mass

The liturgy of Trinity Sunday is full of abstract words that many of us find difficult - unity, trinity, person, substance. They can seem to belong more to a mathematical text-book than to a prayer. This is the technical language of theology, necessary but only for experts. After the Second Vatican Council, a new Collect was written for this day, more accessible than its predecessor. The key word is 'mystery', a favourite word of Saint Paul's, by which he means God's plan for us, hidden through the ages but now revealed in Christ. Contemplating the Divine Trinity should not be like looking at a page of geometrical diagrams, but more like listening to a story. We heard this word 'mystery' before, on the Solemnity of the Epiphany, and now, having celebrated the completion of God's revelation at Pentecost, we look back over the whole story.

