

# NEWSLETTER

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## 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022 The Body and Blood of Christ C

**IN NEED OF A PRIEST** Please contact Fr Grace on 01270 877736

Saturday	18	5.00pm	Vigil Mass The Body and Blood of Christ	The sick of the Parish Frederick Fox RIP Recently Deceased
Sunday Special Day of Prayer for Life	19	9.30am	Mass The Body and Blood of Christ	Agnes Cahill RIP Recently Deceased Teresa Kee RIP Recently Deceased
		11.00am	Baptism Louis Michael McLoughlin	
Monday	20		No Mass or Service today St Alban	
Tuesday	21	10.00am	Mass St Aloysius Gonzaga	Maureen Bennett RIP Recently Deceased
Wednesday	22		No Mass or Service today Ss John Fisher and Thomas More	Day of Special Prayer for those who suffer persecution, oppression & denial of Human rights
Thursday	23	10.00am	Mass Nativity of John the Baptist	Priest's intention
Friday	24		No Mass or Service today The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
Saturday	25	5.00pm	The Immaculate Heart of Mary Vigil Mass Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Kathleen 'Myra' Brown RIP Anniversary The sick of the Parish
Sunday	26	9.30am	Mass Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Confirmation Mass of Election	John Procter RIP Anniversary
		11.00am	Archie Matthew Bennett	Cake Sale for Youth Lourdes Group

Prayer and Mass Intentions can be sent by email to us at [stannesnantwich@btinternet.com](mailto:stannesnantwich@btinternet.com)

Sacrament of reconciliation is available 15 mins before Mass

**Day for Life** – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June – is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. Pope's message, Bishop's message and prayer for the elderly can be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/life-issues/day-for-life/>

Caring for the Older Person. The COVID pandemic highlighted the desperate plight of many older people, especially those in care homes and those struggling with long-term chronic conditions such as dementia. They carried the highest burden which included prolonged isolation, the distress for families being unable to visit, delayed medical interventions and tragic, isolated, deaths followed by shortened, minimal, funeral rites. Many family members and friends continue to bear the wound of deep grief which hurts and is still in need of healing. *We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families, in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations.* Rt Revd John Sherrington, Bishop for Life Issues

**Baptism** This weekend we welcome Louis Michael McLoughlin into God's family through Baptism. We pray for God's blessing on Louis and his family and friends.

**Confirmation 2022** There is a retreat at Wistaston Hall for this year's candidates on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June from 10.00am. Please bring a packed lunch along with you.

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**Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place at St Anne's on Tues 5<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm. Bishop Mark will celebrate the Confirmation Mass. For further information please contact Fr Tony or Mary Ratcliffe on [maryratcliffe1@icloud.com](mailto:maryratcliffe1@icloud.com).

**St Anne's Catholic School.** We are welcoming lots of new families to our school community. We still have a few places left in School & in Pre-School for 2022/23. If you know anyone who is new to the area and/or is looking for a place, please let them know to contact us. We welcome children of all faiths. Information on admissions can be found on the school website <http://www.stannes.cheshire.sch.uk/page/admissions/713>

**200 club** Why not take part, give yourself a chance at winning a prize in our monthly draw whilst also supporting our lovely church. Please contact M Wilcock or see the leaflet at the back of the church or on the St Annes website for details

**Pope's prayer intention In June** we pray with Pope Francis and urges Catholics to pray for all families during the month in which Rome hosts the 10th World Meeting of Families. <https://youtu.be/DFAHRbLZhHA>

**Peter's Pence Second Collection, 25/26 June.** The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. The Pope, being Pastor of the whole Church, is attentive to the material needs of poor dioceses, religious institutes and of faithful in grave difficulties (the poor, children, the elderly, those marginalized and the victims of war or natural disasters; concrete aid to Bishops or dioceses in need, Catholic education, assistance to refugees and immigrants, etc.). Many thanks for your generosity.

**Have you ever considered becoming a School Governor?** Or do you know someone who might? St. Thomas More Catholic High School in Crewe has a number of vacancies and we urgently need more Governors. No previous experience is necessary and training is available if needed. For more information please contact Maria Wilson on 07966 133178 or [Maria.Wilson@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:Maria.Wilson@cheshireeast.gov.uk). If you would like to look around the school, please contact Clare Hogg (Headteacher) on 01270 568014.

**Would you like to gain a deeper understanding of the Bible and create a daily habit that takes less than 15 minutes a day?** *Through the Word* is a completely free app available for your phone or tablet that will guide you through the Bible, one chapter at a time. Their mission statement says it all: "Through the Word is a non-profit ministry dedicated to equipping people around the world to read the Bible, understand it, apply it, and make it a habit." <https://throughtheword.org>

**Community Hub** We have sufficient funds to start the building phase of the project. Thank you all for your support over the last couple of years. Project meeting was held on site this week with work scheduled to commence in the summer.

### Vocations to the Permanent Diaconate in Shrewsbury Diocese

**Are you thinking about becoming a permanent deacon** or do you know someone who might be thinking about a vocation to the diaconate? The Church is the pilgrim people of God and the programme of diaconal formation should itself be seen as a journey in faith. *'The history of ...every Christian vocation is the history of an inexplicable dialogue between God and human beings, between the love of God who calls and the freedom of individuals who respond lovingly to him.'* (Pope John Paul II, Pastores dabo vobis 36) The diaconate formation team is holding a time of reflection for men who are thinking about the call to the ministry of service on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at St Anne's Church, Nantwich at 2pm. There will be an opportunity to ask questions, reflect on and to pray for vocations to the permanent diaconate. For more information please contact: Deacon John Penny Tel: 07973375422 Email: [johncpenny@gmail.com](mailto:johncpenny@gmail.com) Deacon David Hill Tel: 07407407606 [David2007hill@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:David2007hill@hotmail.co.uk)

**MUSICIANS** Can you play a musical instrument, organ, piano or guitar? Come and play at the 9.30am Mass on alternate Sundays. Please give Deacon John a call 07973375422

Diocese of Wrexham have a retail vacancy at St Winefride's Well, Holywell. Contact **Rebecca Garratt** Business Manager, Bishop's House, Sontley Road, Wrexham LL13 7EW Telephone +44 (0) 1978 262726

Lourdes Pilgrimage is from 29 July-4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August by coach. **26<sup>th</sup> June There will be a cake sale after mass to raise funds to support the St Annes youngsters going on the Lourdes pilgrimage this year.**



£410.95

Thank you for your generosity. Envelopes, standing order and gift aid forms are available from the Presbytery. Online donations <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stannesdioceseofshrewsbury2168>

**Missio Red boxes** - we have received a couple of boxes recently from anonymous donors thank you. There are more available at the back of church – why not take one for your house to collect for this worthy cause – all those spare pennies do soon add up! If you would like us to count your red box donations, then please hand to a steward or a member of the clergy at Mass. Missio Spring magazine: <https://missio.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Mission-Today-Spring-2022.pdf>

Mass Preparation: WEDNESDAY WORD: [www.wednesdayword.org/parish](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish)  
PREGO: <https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/prego/>

**Seniors' Lounge** will meet on Second Sunday of every month at 3 pm in St Mary's Parish Hall for tea, cakes, a talk, singing and online quiz. All are very welcome to attend.

**Cheshire East Live Well service** The comprehensive guide to staying independent, improving your wellbeing and choosing your care. The Live Well service page includes the links to the online ebook and downloadable PDF versions of the new directory <https://livewellservices.cheshireeast.gov.uk/Services/4854>

### **Cardinal: Pray for peace in Ukraine**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has urged the Catholic community to pray for peace in Ukraine. Cardinal Nichols, President of the Bishops' Conference, asked Catholics to pray to Saints Cyril and Methodius, the Patron Saints of Europe treasured by all Slavic peoples, that their prayers of protection might "save their beloved people from warfare and bloodshed."

<https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinal/news/cardinal-appeals-for-prayers-for-ukraine/>

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**Carmelite Priory in Oxford.** The Friars are looking to increase their ministry to Young Adults to help grow and form the faith of Young Adults. The Friars are currently hosting free online talks on the formation of Young Adults and if this interests you, please see here: <https://www.carmelite.uk.net/events/young-adult-formation-for-the-third-millennium/>



**St. Mary's Nantwich Friday Place of Welcome 10am-1pm in the Parish Hall** Come and enjoy and let people know about us! Our simple menu. We're now a member of the Places of Welcome national network offering a regular free, safe, welcoming space for anyone to drop in to share food and meet together in friendly company. A place where you can share ideas, activities and find local information.

### **Useful links and resources**

**Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – Online Ministry** Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by searching for @Shrewsbury\_ymt. Find us on YouTube by searching for Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – SYMT, don't forget to subscribe so you know when we go live or release new content.

**The Well-being at Home programme** is a free, 12 week programme aiming to increase activity levels and improve wellbeing of over 55 year olds living in Cheshire. **If you would like to find out more about the programme or the Active Waterways Cheshire project please visit our website [www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/activewaterways](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/activewaterways)**

**Nantwich and Rural communities Newsletter** link <https://www.cesap.org.uk/your-social-action/>

**Sanctuaries, shrines Catholics can 'visit' virtually in Europe, Mideast.** <https://catholic sentinel.org/Content/Arts/Arts-and-Entertainment/Article/Sanctuaries-shrines-Catholics-can-visit-virtually-in-Europe-Mideast/6/31/40431>

**Journeying Together** <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/journeying-together/>

**The National Shrine for Our Lady of Walsingham** [www.walsingham.org.uk/livestream](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/livestream)

**Laudato Tree** <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/world/news/2020-05/laudato-tree-sahel-pope-francis-laudato-si-year.html>

**Watch a Mass from home. Live-streaming of Masses** Shrewsbury Diocese:

<http://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral/embed#tab-player> Church Services TV: <https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable/>

Prayer resources at: <http://pathwaystogod.org/>. <https://www.sacredspace.ie/> <http://ln54.blogspot.com>

<http://prayasyougo.org/>

**Life** Helplines and Information can be found at <http://www.dayforlife.org/article/helplines-and-information-2020/>

## **Welcome to the St Annes 200 Club 2022**

This will be the 18th consecutive club year of fund raising to help our Parish meet its day to day running costs.

To date your membership has raised nearly £40,000.

The extreme difficulties we are continuing to experience has placed extra strain on the Parish finances, so we need as many members as possible to help us through 2022.

We are looking forward to you renewing your membership

- or most importantly:

**JOINING OUR COMMUNITY IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY A MEMBER.**

You might win £100 every month!!

The cost is £52 for the year, or 2 instalments of £26.

As many of us can't meet at mass, there are 3 ways to subscribe:

1. By credit transfer to:

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Sort code: 30 - 15 - 52

Ac no. 54643760

Ref. 200 Club

I would appreciate you contacting me by phone or email if you choose this new way to ensure we don't miss your transfer.

2/3. By cash or cheque. Would you please post it to me or drop it off into the Presbytery post box.

Please make cheques payable to St Anne's Church. If you are paying cash, please include your name.

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## JESUS AMONG US

(LUKE 9:11-17)

*The miracle of Jesus feeding the multitude with loaves of bread and fish: scene from the Cathedral of St Rumbold in Mechelen, Belgium*

**Jesus' initial reaction to the arrival of the crowds is to welcome them, teach them and cure those in need of healing.**

There is no suggestion that the people concerned are actually hungry and the episode can be read, as all the "miracle" stories can be understood, as symbolic, that is, that there is a deeper meaning to these actions of Jesus. The mention of twelve baskets reinforces this idea.

The way in which we refer to this incident is important: it is better to describe it as "the feeding of the crowds" rather than "the multiplication of the loave". The latter phrase concentrates on the "miraculous" aspect of the event, but the New Testament uses the expression "works of power", emphasising that this is the power, the kingdom of God breaking into the lives of people in need. The scriptural background to this story is God's providing food for the people of Israel during their journey through the wilderness from Egypt to the Promised Land: there is a hint about this in the disciples' remark to Jesus that "we are in a desert place here", rather than "a lonely place" as our text renders it. Jesus is thus echoing God's concern by providing food for the people, and the disciples share in his ministry by distributing the bread to those present, who number five thousand men; interestingly, in his account of the same incident, Matthew adds "to say nothing of women and children".

We might note how Luke describes Jesus' actions: he *takes* the bread, *says the blessing*, *breaks it and gives it*: this is the language we find used at the Last Supper in connection with the institution of the Eucharist. The feeding of the crowds foreshadows the institution of the Eucharist, which, in its turn, anticipates the banquet in the final Messianic kingdom. ■

## REFLECT

It is easy to become preoccupied with how this event took place: there are some plausible rationalisations which explain away the "miraculous" element and reduce it to an act of sharing on the part of the people present: some might suggest that that would be an even greater miracle. But we have to ask ourselves: "What does the account mean?" rather than "Did it actually happen?" or "How did it happen?"

Perhaps we might concentrate on the idea of Jesus nourishing the people who have come to him. It is important to keep in mind that none of the four Gospel accounts of this incident states that those present were actually hungry. In our celebration of the Eucharist, we see connections with the feeding in the two parts, word and sacrament. Jesus nourishes our mind, our faith and understanding of what it means for our

## LEARN

The feeding of the five thousand is the only miracle story recorded in all four Gospels.

It is Jesus who provides bread for the people in the desert (lonely) place, just as God did for Israel in their journey through the wilderness.

The feast of Corpus Christi was one of the most popular celebrations with processions of the Blessed Sacrament.

This feast was the lay version of Holy Thursday, which also celebrated the institution of the priesthood.

## SAY

**How can he deny me heaven,  
who here on earth himself has  
given?**

(St Alphonsus Liguori)

## DO

As you receive Holy Communion, renew your belief that you are actually welcoming Jesus into your very self.



everyday lives in the light of the word of God: hence preaching is a grave responsibility for those concerned. We are further sustained by receiving Jesus into ourselves in the form of bread and wine. This presence of Jesus in the consecrated bread and wine is the focus of today's feast. ■

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

**COLLECT**

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament  
have left us a memorial of your Passion,  
grant us, we pray,  
so to revere the sacred mysteries of your  
Body and Blood  
that we may always experience in ourselves  
the fruits of your redemption.  
Who live and reign with God the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING**

Genesis 14:18-20

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread  
and wine; he was a priest of God Most High.  
He pronounced this blessing:

"Blessed be Abraham by God Most High,  
creator of heaven and earth,  
and blessed be God Most High for handing  
over your enemies to you."

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**

Psalms 109

Response:

You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

- The Lord's revelation to my Master:  
"Sit on my right:  
I will put your foes beneath your feet." (R.)
- The Lord will send from Zion  
your sceptre of power;  
rule in the midst of all your foes. (R.)
- A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the daybreak I  
begot you. (R.)
- The Lord has sworn an oath he will not  
change.  
"You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old." (R.)

**SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the  
Corinthians.

This is what I received from the Lord, and  
in turn passed on to you: that on the same  
night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus  
took some bread, and thanked God for it and  
broke it, and he said, "This is my body, which  
is for you; do this as a memorial of me." In  
the same way he took the cup after supper,  
and said, "This cup is the new covenant in  
my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as  
a memorial of me." Until the Lord comes,  
therefore, every time you eat this bread and  
drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SEQUENCE (shorter form)**

Behold the bread of angels, sent  
For pilgrims in their banishment,  
The bread for God's true children meant,  
That may not unto dogs be given:  
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;  
In Isaac on the altar bowed,  
And in the ancient paschal food,  
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,  
Still show to us thy mercy sign;  
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;  
So may we see thy glories shine  
In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,  
Our present food, our future rest,  
Come make us each thy chosen guest,  
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest  
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down  
from heaven,  
says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Luke 9:11-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Luke.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked  
to them about the kingdom of God; and he  
cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came  
to him and said, "Send the people away, and  
they can go to the villages and farms round  
about to find lodging and food; for we are in  
a lonely place here." He replied, "Give them  
something to eat yourselves." But they said,  
"We have no more than five loaves and two  
fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy  
food for all these people." For there were  
about five thousand men. But he said to his  
disciples, "Get them to sit down in parties of  
about fifty." They did so and made them all  
sit down. Then he took the five loaves and  
the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and  
said the blessing over them; then he broke  
them and handed them to his disciples to  
distribute among the crowd. They all ate as  
much as they wanted, and when the scraps  
remaining were collected they filled twelve  
baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with  
the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

(all bow during the next three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under  
Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored  
and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and  
apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the  
dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray,  
the gifts of unity and peace,  
whose signs are to be seen in mystery  
in the offerings we here present.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may delight for all eternity  
in that share in your divine life,  
which is foreshadowed in the present age  
by our reception of your precious Body and  
Blood.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.  
Amen.

May the Lord, support us all the day long,  
until the shadows lengthen,  
and the evening comes, and the busy world  
is hushed, and the fever of life is over,  
and our work is done. Then in your mercy,  
grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest,  
and peace at the last.

St John Henry Newman