

# NEWSLETTER

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## 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 Third Sunday of Easter C

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

Saturday	30	5.00pm	Vigil Mass Third Sunday of Easter	Florence Jones RIP Anniversary Speedy recovery for Deacon Peter Mascarenhas
Sunday	1	9.30am	Mass Third Sunday of Easter	The Parish Anne English RIP Recently Deceased People of Ukraine Agnes Cahill RIP Recently Deceased
		11.00am	Baptism Francesca Katharina Stacey	
Monday	2		No Mass or Service today St Athanasius	
Tuesday	3	10.00am	Mass Sts Philip & James	Priest's Intention
Wednesday	4		No Mass or Service today The English Martyrs	
Thursday	5	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion	The people of Ukraine Special Intention
Friday	6		No Mass or Service today	
Saturday	7	5.00pm	Vigil Mass Fourth Sunday of Easter	The sick of the Parish
Sunday	8	9.30am	Mass Fourth Sunday of Easter	Agnes Cahill RIP Recently Deceased
		11.00am	Baptism Iris Siobhan White	

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

**Baptism** On Sunday we welcome Francesca Katharina Stacey into God's family through Baptism. We pray for God's blessing on Francesca and her family and friends

**Confirmation** – 4th Evening meeting for candidates will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 7pm in the Church meeting room at the back of church.

**First Holy Communion** Preparation in church on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 10am

**St Anne's Gardens** This year will be the final year that John and Cath McKay will be tending to our summer floral displays. They have created Nantwich in Bloom gold medal winning displays over the years, but they are gracefully retiring this year and will be hanging up their final baskets laying down their trowels. I am sure you have all enjoyed the beautiful entrances to the Church and Presbytery and join us in thanking the McKays for all their hard work and dedication in creating such joy. We are looking for parishioners who are willing to shadow John and Cath in setting up the display this year and take up the challenge of the trowel next year. Please let Teri know by contacting her at the Presbytery or by email.

**Missio Thanksgiving Mass - Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7pm** A Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Mark Davies, to thank God for all those who are praying and supporting the Red Boxes and the work of Missio, will be celebrated at St Michael and All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. All are welcome including Missio Secretaries, Benefactors, Red Box holders and anyone interested in the mission of the Church.

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**Community Hub** We now have sufficient funds to start the building phase of the project. Thank you all for your support over the last couple of years. We will keep you informed of the progress.

**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

**Poverty Challenge: See, Judge, Act** – Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network(CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England & Wales has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and engage with it. Download from [www.csan.org.uk](http://www.csan.org.uk)

### St Thomas More

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May: St Thomas More International Evening. Come along to support the pupils who are running an International evening of foods from around the world with cultural entertainment from around the globe. Food stalls open at 5pm with food tickets purchased at 50p each for a sample of each food. Entertainment starts at 6pm. All monies raised for CAFOD and the work of Caritas International for Ukrainian refugees.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May: Tokyo Misfires band with Pie and Peas. This is an adult only event with a licensed bar. £10 a ticket. All monies raised for the Friends of St Thomas More. Bring your friends and come along to an evening of fun and dancing. Purchase your tickets by reserving them over the phone at reception on 01270 568014 or by emailing [admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk), payment can be collected on the night. Any vegetarians, please email this request to the above address. Evening starts at 7.30pm

The Friends of St Thomas More are welcoming any new members. Come and join our team of parents and community members to help fundraise for our school. We meet four or five times a year and plan and run events such as school discos, tuck shops, teas and coffees for events, and our most recent Band Night event. It would be lovely to have new members from our local communities. Please email [admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk) and we will be in touch with you with more information and a friendly welcome.

Catholic young adults' charity **Youth 2000** retreat: Summer festival at Ampleforth College, York, which is from Friday 26<sup>th</sup> - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2022. Tickets are currently available at a discounted early bird price until 17<sup>th</sup> April, so book on early to get the best deal. Here is a link to buy tickets: [Youth 2000 Summer Festival \(26-Aug-2022\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

**200 Club 2022** Why not take part and give yourself a chance at winning a prize in our monthly draw whilst also supporting the running and maintenance of our lovely church. Please contact Michael Wilcock or see the leaflet at the back of the church or on the St Annes website for details

**Pope's prayer intention** In April we pray with Pope Francis for health care workers and urging governments to prioritize making good healthcare accessible to all. <https://youtu.be/YfV5wFNogq4>

**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).

We are delighted to be able to return to Lourdes after an absence of two years. The Pilgrimage is from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August by coach. Overland prices start at £440 and by air at £710. For brochures and booking forms please visit the pilgrimage website at [www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk) or contact the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4UX.



£422.22

Thank you for your generosity

Envelopes, standing order and gift aid forms are available from the Presbytery. Online donations <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donor/page/stannedioceseofshrewsbury2168>

**Missio Red boxes** are 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. Please return any unused boxes so that we may redistribute them. Missio Spring magazine: <https://missio.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Mission-Today-Spring-2022.pdf>

**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.

## **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://catholicsentinel.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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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.

My contact details are:

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The passage today from John's Gospel is known as the "Johannine Appendix". The narrative proper obviously ended with the previous chapter, but the material here is clearly part of the tradition, so is included in the text.

We have the appearance of Jesus to seven male disciples in Galilee and a miraculous catch of fish after obeying Jesus' instructions, in spite of all the previous evidence, the first part culminating in a Eucharistic meal shared by the risen Jesus and his disciples. We find the catch of fish elsewhere in the Gospel story during the ministry of Jesus, and Peter's getting out of the boat and walking across the water, at least to begin with, which is used to teach a lesson to those who hear or read it.

The mention of the "charcoal fire" reminds us of the earlier scene in the palace of the high priest, where Peter is put on the spot and denies knowing Jesus. In the longer form of today's Gospel, he is now offered the chance to redeem himself and cancel out his threefold denial by a threefold declaration of love for Jesus. It may be that Jesus is asking Peter whether Peter loves him more than he loves the other disciples. Once Peter has made that clear, then Jesus gives him the pastoral care of the flock. The mention of sheep and shepherding is an echo of Jesus' teaching about the model (or good) shepherd which we found previously in the Gospel. Jesus is always to be the pattern and ideal of leadership among the disciples. After indicating Peter's fate, Jesus issues once again his command "Follow me", which is a term for being a disciple. ■

## REFLECT

One of the points which we might take from our Gospel reading today is the depicting of the risen Jesus present among his disciples in a Eucharistic context. He shares a meal with them, composed of bread and fish, the elements of celebration in the early community.

The thoughtful redeeming of Peter is another point for reflection: his nervous and frightened assertion in the high priest's residence at Jerusalem that he and Jesus are not acquainted is cancelled out by his clear declaring of his love for Jesus, which exceeds his love for anyone else. As a result, he is appointed shepherd of Jesus' flock, leader of the disciples.

It may be worth reflecting on the nature of leadership in the Church today. The model leader is Jesus. His appointed successor is Peter, a flawed individual whose weaknesses are clearly manifest, but who is chosen by Jesus all the same. There is no hint of infallibility about Simon. Nor is there any suggestion that he is in a position of power over anyone else. Jesus' teaching about himself being the good (or model) shepherd emphasises his willingness and preparedness to give his life for the members of the flock. Peter's commission as leader is also linked to sacrifice. That is the cost of his discipleship; perhaps that is the model for our leaders today as well. ■

## SAY

And if you say, "Yes, Lord, I love you," then feed my lambs and feed my sheep

(Gerald Markland)

## LEARN

John Chapter 21 is known as the "Johannine Appendix".

This passage is set in Galilee; the other appearances of the risen Jesus take place in Jerusalem.

This section has always been attached to the text of the Gospel.

Peter's rehabilitation is the prelude to his being appointed shepherd of Jesus' flock.

## DO

When the priest and ministers come to distribute communion, think how the risen Jesus is present among us when we celebrate the Eucharist together.



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

**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**

May your people exult for ever, O God,  
in renewed youthfulness of spirit,  
so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of  
our adoption,  
we may look forward in confident hope  
to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING** Acts 9:27-32, 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.  
The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. "We gave you a formal warning," he said "not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us." In reply Peter and the apostles said, "Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him." They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM** Psalm 29

Response:  
I will praise you, Lord,  
you have rescued me.  
or  
Alleluia!

- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)
- Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.  
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)
- The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

**SECOND READING** Apocalypse 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.  
In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, "The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing." Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, "To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever." And the four animals said, "Amen"; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.  
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** John 21:1-19

(Shorter form)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, "I'm going fishing." They replied, "We'll come with you." They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, "Have you caught anything, friends?" And when they answered, "No", he said, "Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something." So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." At these words "It is

the Lord", Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples were bold enough to ask, "Who are you?"; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow during the next two lines)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Receive, O Lord, we pray,  
these offerings of your exultant Church,  
and, as you have given her cause for such  
great gladness,  
grant also that the gifts we bring  
may bear fruit in perpetual happiness.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat.  
And he took bread and gave it to them,  
alleluia.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Look with kindness upon your people,  
O Lord,  
and grant, we pray,  
that those you were pleased to renew by  
eternal mysteries  
may attain in their flesh  
the incorruptible glory of the resurrection.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.