



# NEWSLETTER

## ST STEPHEN - ST BRIDGET

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### NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) 7 AUGUST 2022

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| Saturday<br>6 August | St Bridget's                 | 5.00 pm No Confessions today<br>5.30pm Mass: People of the Parish       |
| Sunday<br>7 August   | St Stephen's<br>St Bridget's | 9.45am Mass: Margaret & Peter Conway<br>11.30am Mass: Private Intention |
| Tues 9 August        | St Stephen's                 | 9am Mass: Ben Yaxley  |
| Wed 10 August        | St Bridget's                 | 10am Communion Service  |
| Thur 11 August       | St Stephen's                 | No Mass Today   |
| Frid 12 August       | St Bridget's                 | No Mass Today   |
| Sat 13 August        | St Stephen's                 | No Mass This Morning  |

### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN 14 AUGUST 2022

|                       |                              |   |
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| Saturday<br>13 August | St Bridget's                 | 5.00 pm No Confessions today<br>5.30pm Mass: People of the Parish |
| Sunday<br>14 August   | St Stephen's<br>St Bridget's | 9.45am Mass: Keith & Sandra<br>11.30am Mass: Private Intention    |

- Sanitise your hands
- Face mask recommended 
- Holy Communion: bench by bench, in two rows.

#### PARISH FUNDRAISING when you shop on-line

Access over 3,600 shops  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)  
and St Stephen's and  
St Bridget's will receive  
charitable donations

#### How to get started:

Log-on to  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

Then type '**Parish  
Development Fund  
St Stephens**'

in the search box and click.  
(despite the one title the  
fund is for both parishes.)

Then follow the  
instructions for set up -  
name/email/password  
and click.

Then access your chosen  
shops and the parish will  
receive donations.

Don't forget recommend  
this to others!



#### Feasts & Celebrations This Week...

- 8 August Memoria: St Dominic (Priest & Founder)  
9 August Feast: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, ODC  
(Religious, Patron of Europe)  
10 August Feast: St Lawrence (Deacon & Martyr)  
11 August Memoria: St Clare (Virgin, Religious & Founder)  
12 August Optional: St Jane Frances de Chantal (Religious)  
13 August Optional: St Pontianus (Pope & Martyr) &  
St Hippolytus (Priest & Martyr)

#### TEXT GIVING: St Bridget's

Text STBRIDGET to 70085 to donate £2  
Text STBRIDGET to 70450 to donate £3  
Text STBRIDGET to 70460 to donate £5  
Text STBRIDGET to 70470 to donate £10

#### St Stephen's

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From Fr John's desk...

The newly formed Parish Council met a week last Wednesday for the first time at St Stephen's. We were grateful to Pearl Heskew-Jones for joining us. Pearl was the last Chair of the former Parish Council. We invited Pearl to our first meeting, not simply as a sign of continuity with the past, but also to give an input outlining the work of the former Parish Council. Based on her own experience Pearl also shared some sound advice to help guide us as we start out on this new venture. We are very much at the early stage and will spend the next few meetings looking at terms of references, membership and terms of office. The minutes of each meeting will be ratified at a following meeting and then published on the parish website. More to follow...

Our Dean, Fr David Heywood, sent the report below following the first meeting of our deanery Synodal Council...

### Deanery Synodal Council

Last weekend, the Warrington and Widnes Deanery Synodal Council (DSC) met for the first time. Deanery Synodal Councils are being established across the Archdiocese to help embed Synodality in every aspect of Archdiocesan life.

Our DSC is made up of parish representatives who will meet six times a year to pray, listen and discern how we can become the Church God is calling us to be in Warrington and Widnes with all the challenges that face us.

In future, reps will be elected, but to get the DSC off the ground the present reps have been chosen by the priests of the Deanery. As the work of the DSC unfolds, the reps will keep parishioners updated and help to implement the decisions of the DSC.

### Ladies Guild: Parish Afternoon Tea

A belated and huge Thank You to the members of the Ladies Guild for organising the afternoon Tea on Saturday 2nd July at St Bridget's Church Hall. The event raised **£258.60p**. Thank you to all those who worked so hard to make the afternoon a success and to all those who came to enjoy its delights!!

**Easyfundraising** (see advert on the front of the Newsletter).

Thank you to all those who shop-on-line via the Easyfundraising website. So far the parish has received £772.69 in charitable donations from the shops you bought from (collected by Easyfundraising and sent to us by them). If you haven't used the website yet why not consider it over the summer!



For more information please Contact...

[www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove)

*Pray Through Singing*  
**Monday 8th August**  
**at 7pm**  
**St Bridget's Church Hall**

**All Are Welcome.**  
**Non-singers too!**

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lord, we pray, send your healing and comfort on our loved ones.

**Please remember in your prayers:**  
Shona, Baby Leo-John (RIP)

*Please inform the Parish Office if anyone's name needs to be added or removed.*

**LADIES GUILD**  
**16 August 2022 7.30pm**  
**St Bridget's Church Hall**



A warm welcome to ladies of St Bridget's and St Stephen's and neighbouring parishes.  
All welcome.

**St Stephen's Church Cleaning**



**30 AUGUST 6PM**  
**Spare an hour - come and help!**

#### ST OLIVER'S TOTE 2022

**30th July**

**No Draw this week**



**BONUS BALL COMPETITION**  
**Winners: £25 each**

**3 August 2022**

**Maria**  
(St Bridget's)

**No Winner**  
(St Stephen's)



#### AUGUST BAPTISMS

Please remember in your prayers Aria Felicity Webb and Leo Oscar Webb who will be baptised this August at St Bridget's church. Remember also their parents and families.



*St Bridget's Church Hall*

**SATURDAY**  
**13 August 7.30pm**  
*(and every 2nd Saturday of the month!)*