



# NEWSLETTER

## ST STEPHEN'S

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**St Bridget &  
St Oliver  
Plunkett  
Pray for us**



### SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER (B) 12 MAY 2024

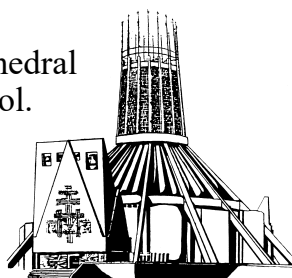
<b>Saturday</b> 11 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<i>5.00pm Confessions</i> <b>5.30pm Mass:</b> Margaret Mitchell
<b>Sunday</b> 12 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<b>10.45am Mass:</b> Jack Lomas / Parishioners <i>After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments</i>
<b>Tues</b> 14 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<b>9am Mass:</b> Private Intention
<b>Wed</b> 15 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<b>10am Mass:</b> Bill Heffernan <i>Followed by Coffee/Tea/Toast</i>
<b>Thu</b> 16 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<b>9am Mass:</b> Private Intention
<b>Fri</b> 17 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<i>5.30pm Exposition &amp; Marian Devotions.</i> <b>6pm Mass:</b> Private Intention

### PENTECOST SUNDAY (B) 19 MAY 2024

<b>Saturday</b> 18 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<i>5.00pm Confessions</i> <b>5.30pm Mass:</b> Daniel Aidan Davies / Parishioners
<b>Sunday</b> 19 May	<b>St Stephen's</b>	<b>10.45am Mass:</b> Mama Rosaline Lum <i>After Mass: Coffee/Tea/Refreshments</i>

### Feasts & Celebrations This Week...

- 13 May. Feast: The Dedication of The Cathedral of Christ the King, Liverpool.
- 14 May. Feast: St Matthias (*Apostle*)
- 15 May. Optional: Our Lady of Fatima
- 18 May. Optional St John I (*Pope & Martyr*)



### 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 will  
receive 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.

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!

### TEXT GIVING

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

### The Month of Mary

*"As sailors are  
guided by a star to  
the port, so  
Christians are  
guided to heaven  
by Mary."*

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

*From Fr John's desk...The Neocatechumenal Way:* As you are aware I met with members of the Neocatechumenal Way in February last. The Neocatechumenal Way is an itinerary/process within the Church for developing faith formation. Inspired by the catechumenate of the early Church - a journey in faith for adults wanting to become members of the Church. Today we usually refer to this as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The Neocatechumenal Way follows a similar pattern for those seeking baptism and for those already baptised who wish to deepen their faith and those who may wish to return to the faith. The Way – whose itinerary is lived in parishes, in small communities made up of people from different age and social groups – gradually leads the faithful to intimacy with Jesus Christ and transforms them into active members in the Church and credible witnesses of the Good News in their daily lives. Beginning this Monday for eight weeks local members of the Neocatechumenal Way from Widnes will lead a series of talks (catechesis). The talks will be in the Lady Chapel every Monday and Friday for 45minutes, starting at 7pm. All are Welcome. Unsure what it's all about—then come and see if it is for you!

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**  
Please remember in prayer:



Anne Bland, Cecilia Taylor, Rosemary Rylance, Shirley Byrne, Teresa Grainger, Norman Turner, Barrie Cooper.

**Mary's Meals**  
For info contact



**The Ladies Guild are Hosting an Afternoon Tea at St Stephen's Church**  
**Saturday 1 June 1pm - 3pm**  
£5 - Adults  
£1 - Children



Tickets on Sale this weekend!

**BINGO Night** *St Stephen's Church Foyer*

**SATURDAY**  
**11 May at 7.30pm**  
(and every 2nd Saturday of the month!)

**LADIES GUILD**  
**21 May 2024**  
**7.30pm**



**St Stephen's Church Foyer**

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

**Pray Through Singing**  
**Monday**  
**13 May 2024 at 7pm**  
**St Stephen's Church**  
**De Paul Room**



For info. call Sandra on 811230

**ST OLIVER'S TOTE 2024**  
**4th May**  
**1 + 6—No winner**  
**Rollover £154.50**



**PARISH BONUS BALL 2024**



**8th May**  
**Laura Cooper**  
**Wins £25**

**CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS**



**WHERE?**

St Stephen's Catholic Church,  
101 Sandy Lane, Warrington. WA2 9HS

**WHEN?**

Beginning 13 May 2024. 7.00 - 7.45 pm.  
Then continuing every Monday and Friday for 8 weeks.

**WHO?**

All welcome. Bring your family, your friends, and especially those who need to hear that God loves them.

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!"

Lk 24:5



Join us for Spring Time walk with the Family Of Parishes.

**On: Sunday 12th May**

**At: 2pm,**

**Starting at St Oswald's where we will walk The New Cut and Ecology Trail to St Peter's.**

There will be refreshments at St Peter's after the walk. Please sign up at your church for a seat on the minibus to take you back to your car St Oswald's.

*Well behaved dogs are welcome!*

**MARRIAGE BANNES 2024**

Friday 24 May - the Marriage of *Janis Pustlis* and *Ivana Ficova* at St Stephen's Church.

Saturday 15 June - the Marriage of *Norbert Gajos* and *Justyna Sloma* at the Church of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.  
(*Januszewice, Diocese of Kielecka, Poland*)

If anyone know of any reason why the above named couples should not be joined in holy matrimony please would they inform me as soon as possible. Thank you - Fr John