

# The Parish of St. Anne Ormskirk



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Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024

## The Epiphany of the Lord

<b>Sat</b>	<b>6</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> <b>Valerie Swinnerton</b> (Vigil Mass)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7</b>	10.30am Noon	<b>Steve &amp; Sandra Waugh</b> (streamed) <i>Baptism: Eleanor Lily Gill</i>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>8</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Bernard Swift</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCM in pastoral centre at 1.00pm</li> <li>• SVP in pastoral centre at 8.00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>9</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Maria Gibbons</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prayer Group in pastoral centre at 10.30am</li> </ul>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>10</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Nancy Doyle</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J &amp; P Group in pastoral centre at 6.00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass: Eileen Morris</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>12</b>	9.15am 9.30am	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <b>Ivan &amp; Bridie Howard</b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>13</b>	4.00pm 5.00pm	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> <b>Sylvia Croston</b> (Vigil Mass)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Gary Hobson</b> (streamed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Session 4 of First Holy Communion Preparation for children not attending St Anne's Primary School in the pastoral centre after Mass</li> </ul>
		<b>Noon</b>	<i>Baptism: Sienna Hayes</i>



*Dear Parishioners and Friends*

This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, the 'twelfth' day of Christmas. I always feel a little sad when I see Christmas lights switched off and trees being dumped and the cards bagged for recycling. For many people, the Epiphany symbolizes the end of a season of celebration, back to normal every-day living. But ...

Here in St Anne's I hope we can hang on to the ancient Christian tradition of celebrating the momentous event of The Word becoming flesh, right up to the feast of the Purification of Mary and the Presentation of Jesus in the temple, on the second of February. This is also known as the feast of **Candlemas**, recalling Simeon welcoming Jesus in the temple and proclaiming Him as 'a **light** for revelation to the Gentiles'.

The light of Christ is not extinguished on Boxing Day. It is never extinguished, though sometimes we have to open our eyes more widely to see the light. Keeping in front of us the symbols of Christmas – cribs and candles and white vestments – can help us ponder at greater length on the real meaning of Christmas, while the shops and adverts thrust Easter eggs and bunnies before us to make money!

I hope you all have a wonderful new year. Many thanks for the great support you always give me and especially for all your kindness this Christmas time.

Godine OSB

**Anniversaries up to 13<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (Last 10 yrs).**

*Mary Sanderson, Kit Lindon, John Doyle, Marian Robertshaw, Betty Ludlow, John Thomas Marsh, Cynthia Ibbotson, Catherine Rigby, Tina Pastor,*

**Please pray for the sick in our parish:**

*Carl Abols, Lola Ajibade, Matthew Bennett, Ann Brown, Mamadi Camara, John Casey, Fr Jonathan Cotton OSB, Jean Daunt, Mike Devlin, Stephen Hankin-Hallsworth, Rev. Fr Anthony Hayne, Margaret Johnston, Sheila Lavin, Stan Ludlow, Hughie McGinley, May Mitchell, John Orritt, Stella Potter, Frances Smith, Richard Sutherland, Maureen Taylor, Richard Tedford, Fr. Gerry Tuite, Marcella Varey, Joan Whelan, Phil Wilkinson.*

**Recently sick: Rev Fr Boniface & Denis Feeney.**

***Please pray for the repose of the souls of Tony Walsh & Gerard Entwistle who died recently.***

## **St Anne's News**

***Used stamps*** can be left in the church shop. These will be sent to a charity that collects them.

**Pat Harwood**

**UCM:** Restarting tomorrow, Monday 8th January.

**SVP:** The next meeting will take place tomorrow, Monday 8th January at 8.00pm.

**Prayer Group** resumes on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am

**Church Shop:** The 2024 Liverpool Archdiocese Directory is now available.

## **WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE**

Monday 20 May to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024

Twin Room £245 per person

Single Room £275

Please email [paxorm@btconnect.com](mailto:paxorm@btconnect.com) or ring the parish office if you are interested

## IRENÆUS NEWS:

### **Irenæus Come and See Day - 13 January**

The next Come and See Day at Irenæus will be led by Pat Kennedy, who formerly worked with the Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle in adult formation and training of the permanent diaconate and is now a member of the Emmanuel community in Hexham and Newcastle. The session will focus on "The Power of Healing", and will be held on Saturday 13 January at the Irenæus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road, L22 1RD. For more information, contact [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 0151 949 1199.

### **School of Prayer Events - 9, 16, 23 January**

For 3 Tuesdays in January, Irenæus are running a "School of Prayer" event. This exploration of prayer will reflect on different traditions of prayer and the history behind them. Each session will focus on a way of praying, and end with a chance to pray in that way. You will also be invited to use that form of prayer in your own personal prayer at home for that week. This is an ideal opportunity to deepen your prayer life and to share your experience with others.

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## Cathedral Friends Event

### **'Another Fifty Catholic Churches to See Before You Die'**

**Saturday 24 Feb 11.00am**

### **The Gibberd Room, Metropolitan Cathedral**

The Cathedral Friends are delighted to announce that there will be a talk on 'Another Fifty Catholic Churches to See Before You Die' by Elena Curti.

Tickets, which are limited, are £12 to include refreshments, and a chance to meet the author and to purchase her book at a reduced rate.

Please purchase tickets using the link below.

Any queries please contact Claire Hanlon at [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/talk-on-another-fifty-catholic-churches-to-see-before-you-die-elena-curti-tickets-788008453497?aff=oddtcreator>

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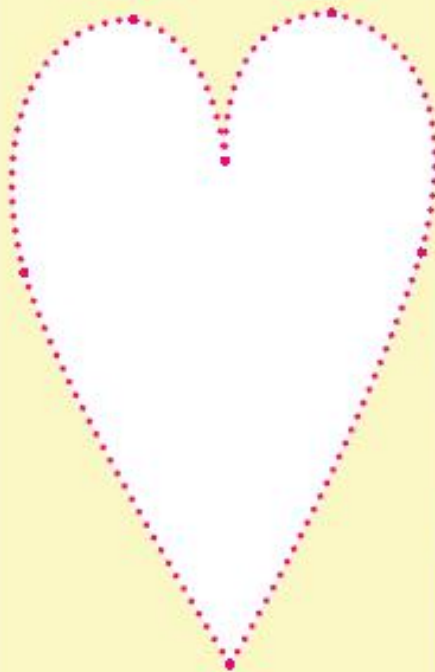
Sunday 7 January 2024  
The Baptism of the Lord  
Mark 1:7-11

## In the GOSPEL TODAY

### I love...

God the Father loved his son, Jesus, very much.

Draw a picture of someone who loves you very much and fill in your name in the blank space.



"I love .....  
(your name) very much."

John tells people that someone special is coming. Jesus is that special person. Jesus comes from Nazareth and is baptised by John in the River Jordan. When Jesus is baptised a voice from heaven says, "You are my Son and I love you."

### JESUS IS BAPTISED

River Jordan

Unscramble the words to see what the voice from heaven said.

Draw lines to show the right place for the labels. Join the dots to see who came down on Jesus.

John

Jesus

Son you are my and you love I

Water is used during baptism. Water is very important for life. Add the missing letters to name places where you can find water that gives us life. Link the words to the right picture.



### A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, thank you for loving me. Thank you for giving me special people who look after me and help me. Amen.

### Puzzle

Find these words. They may go in any direction, but always in a straight line.

**HOLY, JESUS, SPIRIT, RIVER, DOVE, JOHN, FIRE, BAPTISE, WATER, GENTLE, WIND, FREE**

A	S	C	D	H	R	E	G
J	O	H	N	O	E	G	E
E	D	S	B	L	V	J	T
S	V	B	A	Y	I	E	N
U	E	S	P	I	R	I	T
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Answers: Water, sea, tap, river, rain cloud, well, "You are my Son and I love you."

