SERVICES FOR THE WEEK – 17TH – 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 17TH SEPTEMBER

10.00am – For the Nolan Family

3.00pm - Saint Columba's. Plas Newton. - Service for Families and their loved ones experiencing the suffering of Cancer

TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

6.30pm - STATHAM LODGE HOTEL.

The Warrington Circle of the Catenians will celebrate their 1000th meeting with a mass of thanksgiving. Father David Long from Saint Vincent's Knutsford will be the celebrant. Warmest congratulations to the Society for their contribution to the Catholic life of Warrington down the years.

THURSDAY 21st SEPTEMBER – SAINT MATTHEW – APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

12.00noon – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm – Service of Word and Communion

SATURDAY – 23rd SEPTEMBER – SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCINA. (PADRE PIO)

5.00pm - Colin Robinson

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 24TH SEPTEMBER

10.00am - For the Parishioners of Saint Monica's

DEAD: Canon Timothy (Ted) Harrington. His grave illness was mentioned earlier in one of the bulletins. He died in Kenmare Community Hospital, County Kerry on 5th September and his funeral took place on 7th September at Holy Cross Church, Kenmare. He was 96 years of age and gave 50 years of Priestly service to the diocese in Birkenhead, Shrewsbsury, Bridgnorth, Stockport and Bromborough before retiring to Kerry in 2002. A great human being who made his mark wherever he went. **Requiescat in pace.**

Please remember in your prayers, all our sick and housebound, and those who love and care for them.

ADVANCE NOTICES.

LOST PROPERTY/FORGOTTEN can be found in the Resource Room. Please cast an eye as most of it is well worth reclaiming. If unclaimed by the end of September – it will be distributed to a worthy agency ministering to the needy.

S.V.P. Kath Hetherington writes to inform us that the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, here in Saint Monica's, is hosting a MASS FOR THE SICK and those who care for them on Saturday, 14th October at 2.00pm, followed by afternoon tea in the Resource Room. This celebration is always joyful and prayerful to which all are welcome. Transport can be arranged for those with mobility problems. Please let me know if assistance is needed. Sick relatives or friends from other parishes are also very welcome to join us.

I celebrated - with my sisters and niece and husband from Adelaide, my elder sister's 90th birthday in the Red Fox Hotel on the Wirral on 11th September. For me it was a double celebration as I was given clearance of a serious skin complaint which had been ongoing since after Easter (9th April) to surgery on 10th July and release on 29th August from any further attendance at Whiston Hospital. A wonderful service from Nurses, Doctors and Parish taxi drivers. *Benedictus Benedicat* and bless the N.H.S.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK GEORGE BROWNE

Can you help?

A Church Ladies Group based in Runcorn are searching for person or persons who could give a presentation / talk or a demonstration to the group, for approximately 1 to 11/2 hours. On a Wednesday evening.

Expenses will be paid.

Please contact Pauline on 01925-267276 for more information.

Job Vacancies:

St Monica's School - Midday Assistant positions - Fridays

We are looking for two people to join our friendly team working as a Midday Assistant.

It is Fridays only; 12pm - 1pm.

More details are on the job description which will be posted on the notice board.

Please contact the school on 01925 267609 if you are interested (or see Jessica Pearson at 10am Mass).

St Ambrose College, Hale Barns have a vacancy for a Teaching Assistant and Cover Supervisor.

St Monica's School

We welcome everyone back to school and hope our new Reception class are getting settled. What a shame that the hot weather came just after the holidays ended.

We would like to tell everyone that at the 10am mass every Sunday there is Childrens' Liturgy during part of the mass. We encourage you to bring your children, as children of all ages are welcome to join us. Numbers were very low prior to the summer holidays, and we debated whether it was worth running this every week - as the leaders have to spend time preparing and some weeks we did not have one single child at mass.

We appeal to parents to bring your children along on a Sunday morning. The sense of community that this can give them would surprise you - and the older people at mass love to see the young ones around. Would you consider joining us, even if it is only once a month or every other week?

If your child is preparing for First Eucharist or First Reconciliation this year then it is more important than ever, that as their parent or carer, the prime examples and nurturers of their children in the ways of God, you show them what it means to be a Catholic.

On the second Sunday of each month, we also have tea & coffee after the 10am mass, which gives everyone a chance to chat with other parishioners. We do hope to see you there soon.