

## Reflection.

## Lord may I love like you



Jesus had a big insight that people came to him because God has something in them that draws them to his Message, to his personality and to his self-sacrificing love.

People ask should we baptise children whose parents don't

go to Mass, should they make confirmations if they are not practising any regular faith.? There are many ways of looking at this, and a central one is the belief that the desire for God, for a sacrament or for prayer is given by God. Pope Francis sees the openness of every child to this love of God: "Every child who is born is a gift of joy and of hope, and every child who is baptised is a miracle of the faith and a feast for the family of God."

St Ignatius often says to pray for what we really desire. It takes time to sift various desires, and even in prayer we may find ourselves getting revengeful and hurtful. A bit more time and the mood may change into tolerance and praying for those we don't like. Desires for goodness, peace, forgiveness are given by God. Prayer and shared faith can increase these good desires. I have never left prayer without feeling more open to others and more living. My big prayer is always answered: 'Lord may I love like you', answered even a little.

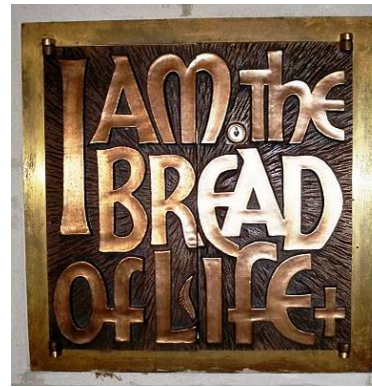
We make our steps towards Jesus, like the people at his gatherings did, because God has called us this way. Let's be grateful that we are drawn to Jesus, and this 'drawing' is a grace of God.

*Lord, teach me to know you more, love you more and serve you more faithfully in life. (St Ignatius).*

Did you know you can watch our masses via your computer if you are unable to attend? Go to

[www.Catholicmass.org.uk](http://www.Catholicmass.org.uk) and click on "Find a Church", then click on Shrewsbury Diocese, then Christ Church Heald Green.

There is also a link on our website.



**TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)  
CHRIST CHURCH CATHOLIC CHURCH,  
HEALD GREEN**

**Saturday 18th August 2018 (Vigil Mass)  
5.30pm**

**Sunday 19th August 2018 Mass 9am &  
11am** (Children's Liturgy at 11am)

				Intentions
Sat	18th Aug		Vigil Mass 5.30pm	Peter Rainey RIP
Sun	19th Aug	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mass 9am Sung Mass 11am	Annie Grogan Parishioners
Mon	20th Aug	St Bernard, Ab	Celebration of the Word and Communion 10am	
Tue	21st Aug	St Pius X Pp	Requiem Mass 10am	Georgina Kassar RIP
Wed	22nd Aug	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Mass 10 am	D&J Humphries & family
Thu	23rd Aug	Ferial	Mass 10 am	Paul Marciniak RIP
Fri	24th Aug	St Bartholomew	Mass 10 am	Marie Allen RIP
Sat	25th Aug	Ferial	Mass 10 am Vigil Mass 5.30pm	David Owen in hospital James Lanigan RIP

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :**

Fr. Paul will be in the confessional on Saturday 11.30 till 12noon and 5-5.20pm.

:OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT.

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**Next Week : TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**25th August Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm**

**26th August Sunday Mass at 9am & 11am**

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### PARISH DATA PROTECTION TRAINING

At St Mary's 29 Zetland Street Dukinfield  
On Thursday 13th September @ 7.30pm  
GDPR training for parish volunteers, anyone who handles personal information or is interested in Data Protection generally—Everyone welcome  
See Poster in porch— if interested let us know in the parish office or Father Paul.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Both Infant and Junior Liturgy will continue on Sundays during the 11 o'clock mass throughout the summer break.

### NOTICEBOARDS

We cannot include everything in this newsletter so please check the porch for more notices and a list of regular activities.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS—weekly editions available for sale in the porch. The Catholic Times has a new format —why not give one a try?

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO NEEDS TRANSPORT TO MASS PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE.

**Pilgrimage to Knock 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Poster at back of Church'. Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018. £599.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or [knockpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimage@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.**

## THE BABY IN CHURCH

(From an article in 1924) Father Conway related :- There are two of us preaching in this church at once, said the Pastor, and I don't know which of us is giving the better sermon. When a baby cries in church he is telling two things:-

1st there are babies in the family  
2nd that the mother has come to Mass with her baby. On the whole I think the baby is preaching the better sermon and I'll let him get on with it.

### RECYCLING FOR THE SVP AT ST CHADS

**CHEADLE** The SVP can get 50% of the market value of recycled phones and £1 for every inkjet cartridge. (The Inkjet cartridges need to be the main brands, not supermarkets' own). There is a box for them at the back of St. Chads church and one in our porch. If you have any old phones (even if broken, faulty or locked) and empty inkjet cartridges, just leave them there, knowing that you are making a donation to the SVP

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ANDREA ON SUNDAY

### CHRISTMAS FAIR ADVANCE NOTICE

Thanks to Carole's enthusiasm and hard efforts we will be having a Christmas Fair on November 25th. However, it will require help from you. We will be asking for:-  
**In September** -Donations of bottles of drinks  
**in October**-Tombola prizes and unwanted jewelry  
**in November** Chocolates and sweets (more details nearer the time)

We also need people to sell raffle tickets after each mass from the 20th October please give your name to Carole /office

## VACANCIES

### SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The SVP is seeking to recruit a Young Vincentians Programme Manager, and a Mini Vinnies Officer as part of the expansion of our youth programme.

Young Vincentians Programme Manager: £30k pa; full time permanent contract. Closing date: 15:00 on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Interviews: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Start date: ASAP.

Mini Vinnies Officer: £23k pro rata; 2 days/wk; one year contract. Closing date: 10:00 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Interviews: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Start date: ASAP.

Both roles based at national office. For more details & application pack, please visit the vacancies section of the SVP web-  
<https://www.svp.org.uk/>.

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### FOUNDATION GOVERNORS NEEDED

The Diocese has a number of vacancies for Foundation Governors within your local area, particularly people with financial experience. If you would be interested in joining a Governing Body then please contact Sue Blackwell at [sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

### THE AUTUMN ISSUE OF 'MOUTH PEACE'

(From the Archdiocese of Liverpool Justice and Peace Commission) is on the Retreats & Associations Noticeboard

### SPUC PRO-LIFE TODAY -CAMPAIGN ISSUE

SPUC has launched a mass-letter writing campaign calling on MPs to oppose abortion decriminalisation. Please take a copy of the campaign issue from the porch.

## PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND



May the Communion we share today with the members of our parish family who are at home or in hospital, remind us to live for one another and give them a sense of belonging to our family and to this celebration.

### COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

If you would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Christ, in Communion, to a sick or housebound relative or friend in our Parish, give your request and details to the Parish Office

### HOLY WATER

Please note *Holy Water* is available from the stone jar on the altar steps near the Baptismal Font.



### BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Andrea Lomas will be available on Tuesday evenings 7.30-8.30pm for anyone wishing to discuss arrangements

### WELCOME

We welcome Alexander James Finbar Griffiths who will be baptised this weekend. Please pray for him and his family.

### DIVINE MERCY GROUP

No more meetings until the 10th September.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH is prayed prior to 10 am

ROSARY Monday to Friday at 9.30am.

**Catholic Singles** is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or tel. 0161 941 3498

### LOST PROPERTY

Please check in the box in the porch for any items you are missing.