

NEWSLETTER

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OUR COMMUNITY HUB is now available for booking for private events. Here is the link to the public website for information and bookings <https://hallbookingonline.com/stanne>

2ND JUNE 2024 THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR B

IN NEED OF A PRIEST Please contact Fr Tony Grace on 01270 877736

Prayer and Mass Intentions can be sent by email to us at stannesnantwich@btinternet.com

Saturday St Justin	1	5.00pm	Vigil Mass The Body and Blood of Christ	Ted and Nell Riley RIP Anniversary Denis Hill Grandad's 1 st Birthday in Heaven Jill Washington RIP Adam Leigh (sick) Margaret Evans RIP
Sunday	2	9.30am	Mass The Body and Blood of Christ	Margaret Kay RIP Birthday Anniversary Elizabeth Coburn RIP Deceased Anniversary Emily Crowley RIP Glenis Colburn (sick) Margaret Heppell (sick)
Monday St Charles Lwanga & Companions	3		No Mass or Service Today	
Tuesday	4	9.30am 10.00am	Adoration and Confession Mass	Margaret Kay RIP Birthday Anniversary Betty Palmer Rip Recently Deceased
Wednesday St Boniface	5		No Mass or Service Today	
Thursday St Norbert	6	9.30am 10.00am 6.30pm	Adoration and Confession Mass FHC Rehearsal in Church	Sheila Davenport (sick)
Friday The Sacred Heart of Jesus	7		No Mass or Service Today	
Saturday The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8	10.00am 5.00pm	Sacrament of First Holy Communion Mass in Church Vigil Mass Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jill Washington RIP Angela Alderman Thanksgiving for 90 th Birthday
Sunday	9	9.30am	Mass Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Parish

200 Club Congratulations to our May winners 1st £100 John White, 2nd £60 Alan Brown, 3rd £40 Sheila Healey.

Pope's June Prayer Intention In June, we pray with Pope Francis for migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence; may they find welcome and new life opportunities in their host countries. <https://youtu.be/-kr6QfCqvbg>

2024 CATHOLIC YOUNG WRITER AWARD Sponsored by the Catholic Union Charitable Trust www.catholicunion.org.uk In the 2024 Catholic Young Writer project, pupils at Catholic schools in Britain are invited to think about the Sacraments, and to choose one specific Sacrament and write about it. For Roman Catholic pupils aged 11-16, and all pupils at RC secondary schools in years 7-11. First prize of £50 plus a selection of books. A number of other book prizes will be awarded for essays of a high standard. More information can be found at the back of the church for anyone interested.

First Holy Communion cards are available on the Piety stand.

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This weekend the SVP will be selling tickets for the Rotary Lottery Draw. Please support the SVP in the work they do supporting St Anne's parishioners

St Thomas More Year 10 Mission Leadership Team are hosting International Evening on Tuesday June 11th. The evening begins at 5pm and will be a celebration of cultures from around the world with food and entertainment. Feel free to come along at your leisure with family and friends, between 5-7pm. Food tokens are 50p each and it is free to come in. All proceeds will go to the CAFOD Sudan appeal. We would love to welcome you into our school.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham 28.10 - 1.11.24 Crewe Parish are organising a Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Cost £458 per person including half board, ensuite accommodation and travel. The week includes a trip to Norwich on the Thursday. A deposit of 25% will be required to confirm your booking. If you are interested in taking part, please contact Helena in the office on 01270 212533 Tuesday to Friday 9am until 2pm, for further information and proposed itinerary.

This year's Diocesan Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday June 8th, 12 noon at Saint Columba's Church Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA. If you are celebrating a special anniversary in 2024, and want to go, please let us know.

A conference on [Accompanying People on Life's Final Journey](https://thornycroft-hall.org.uk/project/end-of-life-conference/) will be held at Thornycroft Hall, nr Macclesfield, SK11 9JN, on Saturday, 15th June, between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. In the face of threatened legislation, the conference will show how the Church safeguards genuine dignity both for the suffering person and for their family. Speakers: Deacon David Harrison, Catholic Chaplain at Leighton Hospital, and Dr Teresa Merino, Consultant in Palliative Care. Price: £35. Places can be booked through the website at : <https://thornycroft-hall.org.uk/project/end-of-life-conference/>. More information at the back of church.

Oblate Retreat Centre, Wistaston Hall, Crewe Pay Rate: £12.25 Per Hour Working Hours: Variable Shift Rota - 0 hour contract Location: Oblate Retreat Centre, Wistaston Hall, Crewe Would you be interested to join a leading catering company with a reputation for excellence? OCS is currently recruiting for a Zero Hour Catering and Household Assistant to join our passionate and caring team at the Oblate Retreat Centre, Crewe! For more information about the role please contact Sue on 01270 568 653 mobile 07951717776 or email COblateRetreat@Atalianworld.com

TEA AT THE TOWER Join us for a hot drink and a piece of home-made cake at St Mary's, Acton every Sunday, 2.30 until 4.30 pm. Very friendly people. Donations appreciated.

SING A SONG TO THE LORD A workshop with Fr Liam Lawton Tuesday 9th to Thursday 11th July 2024 At Wistaston Hall Oblate Retreat and Spirituality Centre Suggested Donation £195 Book online at orc-crewe.org or by phone 01270 568653



Last week's Envelope & Loose Plate = £423.45
Offertory received by Bank transfer in April = £3400
Thank you



The Card machine at the back of church is a convenient and cashless method of making donations to support the Mission of the Church in **St Anne's**, or there are options to support the **Red Boxes/ Missio or the SVP**

Alternatively, please scan QR code to take you to our donation web page or use the link. Many thanks.
<https://donate.mydona.com/st-annentwich>

Right to Life Thanks to you and your parishioners, MPs offices and inboxes have been filled with the pro-life message and we could not have done it without your help. As a result of the General Election and the proroguing of Parliament, the two extreme abortion up to birth amendments tabled by Diana Johnson and Stella Creasy will now **not pass and these extreme changes to our abortion laws will not become law**. For now, the fight is over, but the battle is not yet won. In time, there will likely be bills that can be amended with attempts to bring in abortion up to birth, but this will likely not be for many months or longer. By these extreme changes to the law not passing now, we can save the lives that would have been lost between now and when pro-abortion MPs try to bring something in under a new government. As the UK General Election approaches, you may find the 'Where do they stand?' section of our website useful, which is a helpful resource for constituents: righttolife.org.uk/votes.

Missio Red boxes— Please bring your boxes for counting ensuring your name is on the box. You can hand them to Pauline Binnie our Missio Local Secretary. New boxes are available at the back of church – why not take one for your house to collect for this worthy cause – all those spare pennies soon add up!

Missio Red Box holders can donate to Missio – Mill Hill Missionaries in a variety of ways: Please leave your Red box in church with name on it for counting or Give [online](https://missio.org.uk/redbox): missio.org.uk/redbox. Make a [bank transfer](#): Account name: Missio; Sort Code: 16-00-16; Account Number: 10824230. Please use the reference RB + your postcode.

- Donate [by telephone](#) with your debit/credit card by ringing 020 7821 9755 during office hours.
- Donate via [texting](#) REDBOX 5 (to donate £5.00) or REDBOX 10 (to donate £10) to 70085. To ensure that your donation is attributed to **St Anne's, Nantwich**, it would be helpful (but not essential) if you would quote reference **SHR063/1117**.
- If you are a Gift Aid contributor, please inform Missio, so that they can recoup the tax from your donation.

Mass Preparation: WEDNESDAY WORD: www.wednesdayword.org/parish
PREGO: <https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/prego/>

NANTWICH FOODBANK Helping Local People In Crisis. Donations Can Be Made at St Anne's, (Box in porch), St Mary's Parish Office, Morrisons, Sainsburys, Nationwide, M&S and Elim Church.

NANTWICH FOODBANK We praise God for our many volunteers however we have a particular shortage of delivery drivers. If you are interested in volunteering to drive please contact Teri at the presbytery to obtain more details. Our current shopping list is: Long life milk and fruit juice, coffee, tinned vegetables and tinned fruit, toothbrushes and nappies [size 5 & 6]. **DONATIONS CAN BE MADE IN NANTWICH** at St Anne's, (Box in porch), St Mary's Parish Office, Morrisons, Sainsburys, Nationwide, M&S and Elim Church.

Mary's Meals <https://marysmeals.us18.list-manage.com/track/click?u=71642ed3d70deb2b1c25da8f0&id=7d7f84ea81&e=f7949e3fb3>

Carmelite Priory in Oxford. The Friars are looking to increase their ministry to Young Adults to help grow and form the faith of Young Adults. The Friars are currently hosting free online talks on the formation of Young Adults and if this interests you, please see here: <https://www.carmelite.uk.net/events/young-adult-formation-for-the-third-millennium/>

Useful links and resources

Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – Online Ministry Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by searching for @Shrewsbury_ymt. Find us on YouTube by searching for Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – SYMT, don't forget to subscribe.

Sanctuaries, shrines Catholics can 'visit' virtually in Europe, Mideast. <https://catholicsentinel.org/Content/Arts/Arts-and-Entertainment/Article/Sanctuaries-shrines-Catholics-can-visit-virtually-in-Europe-Mideast/6/31/40431>

Journeving Together <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/journeving-together/>

The National Shrine for Our Lady of Walsingham www.walsingham.org.uk/livestream

Laudato Tree <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/world/news/2020-05/laudato-tree-sahel-pope-francis-laudato-si-year.html>

Watch a Mass from home. Live-streaming of Masses Shrewsbury Diocese: <http://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral/embed#tab-player> Church Services TV: <https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable/>

Prayer resources at: <http://pathwaystogod.org/>. <https://www.sacredspace.ie/> <http://ln54.blogspot.com>
<http://prayasyougo.org/>

Life Helplines and Information can be found at <http://www.dayforlife.org/article/helplines-and-information-2020/>

Young Catholics Resources <https://young-catholics.com/3636/22nd-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-c/>

Sunday Message

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

THE WORD

Year B • 2 June 2024 • Psalter Week 1



Today's feast doesn't commemorate any particular event in Jesus' life, but is a celebration of his gift of the Eucharist. The traditional day for this feast is the Thursday after Trinity Sunday.

The reason Thursday is chosen is because Jesus celebrated the Last Supper on the Thursday before he died when he gifted his disciples with the Eucharist during the Passover meal. Many local churches have moved the celebration to the Sunday after Trinity Sunday. The churches in the UK and Ireland follow this practice.

In today's Gospel, the disciples ask Jesus about his plans to celebrate the Passover meal. Jesus sends two of them into the city and tells them what they are to do. Normally, the Passover meal would be celebrated by a Jewish family. However, Jesus is not going to celebrate this meal with his blood relatives but with his "new family" of disciples. When the disciples go into the city, everything happens as Jesus foretold and they make the preparations.

Later that evening, during the meal, Jesus speaks words about his death over the bread and wine. Following the Jewish custom at Passover, Jesus blesses God for the gift of food and then breaks the bread and gives a piece to all present with the words, "Take it, this is my body." The broken bread he shares with the disciples is his body broken in death for others. Those who eat this bread are now connected to him in the most profound way.

He does the same with the cup and adds, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many." The Jews understood that the covenant made between God and Israel at Mount Sinai had been sealed in animals' blood. Blood symbolised life and since the Sinai covenant was sealed in blood, it meant that Israel then shared in God's very own life. Jesus now offers us an eternal, life-giving New Covenant, sealed in his very own blood. ■

SAY

"Lord, I thank you for the gift of the Eucharist. Help me to treasure it always. Amen."

PRAY

Pray that you will never lose your sense of awe and wonder at what takes place in the Eucharist.

LEARN

The Body of Christ is our soul-nourishing food, the bread that gives us life.

Vatican II teaches that the Eucharist is the source and the summit of the life of the Church.

The Eucharist leads us from church to world to serve others.

DO

Think about how you respond to the gift of the Eucharist. Does it amaze you, enrapture you, fill you with awe?



REFLECT

It's easy to lose our sense of wonder, to live in a world of the mundane. Every day I follow the same route on my early morning walk. I know the terrain like the back of my hand, and so don't pay much attention to what's going on around me as I listen to a book on Audible. My route takes me past Limerick's famous King John's castle. One morning last year saw a glorious red sky as the sun rose majestically behind the castle. I didn't pay it much attention. It was just another sunrise, until a man standing behind a tripod commanded me to stop. He had been taking photographs of the castle framed against the crimson sky. "Stop, stop, you gotta stop and look at this," he said, pointing towards the castle. "It's gorgeous; you need to take it in." And I did. I took out my AirPods and stood with him for several minutes gazing at the awesome sight before our eyes. And I expressed my gratitude to

him for forcing me to stop and look and marvel. My morning walk had become so routine, so quotidian, that I didn't appreciate what was going on around me. I try not to make that mistake now.

Repetition dulls excitement. Doing more or less the same thing every day, we can fall into a rut and lose our capacity for awe, for wonder.

It's the same when it comes to the Eucharist. If we go to Mass regularly, we know what to expect. The readings will differ each time, and hopefully the homily will be original and engaging, but otherwise there is a sameness to the celebration: the same consecration, the same holy communion, the same words, the same gestures. It becomes so routine, so predictable, that we can lose our sense of awe, of wonder, at what is taking place. We fail to marvel at the

miracle unfolding among us, the gift of the body and blood of Christ given to us out of love.

In one sense, today's feast may seem superfluous. After all, every Eucharist is a feast of the body and blood of Christ. What we celebrate today, we celebrate every time we come to Mass. But precisely because we are so used to it, occasionally we need a little jolt, a nudge, as I was given on my morning walk, to remind us to look more closely at what is happening, to stop and appreciate more fully what it is we are celebrating, to be amazed at the event unfolding, awestruck at the gift we are receiving. As you receive the Lord in holy communion today, let this feast be a reminder to you to be, in the words of St Thomas Aquinas, "lost, all lost in wonder at the God thou art." ■

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament
have left us a memorial of your Passion,
grant us, we pray,
so to reverse the sacred mysteries of your Body
and Blood
that we may always experience in ourselves
the fruits of your redemption.
Who live and reign with God the Father
with the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 24:3-8

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses went and told the people all the
commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In
answer, all the people said with one voice, "We
will observe all the commands that the Lord has
decreed." Moses put all the commands of the
Lord into writing, and early next morning he built
an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve
standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel.
Then he directed certain young Israelites to
offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the
Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood
Moses took up and put into basins, the other
half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of
the Covenant he read it to the listening people,
and they said, "We will observe all that the Lord
has decreed; we will obey." Then Moses took the
blood and cast it towards the people. This, he
said, "is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord
has made with you, containing all these rules."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 115 (116):12-13, 15-18

Response:

The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on
the Lord's name.

1 How can I repay the Lord
for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name. (R.)

2 O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds. (R.)

3 A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfill
before all his people. (R.)

SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:11-15

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of
all the blessings which were to come. He has
passed through the greater, the more perfect
tent, which is better than one made by men's
hands because it is not of this created order; and
he has entered the sanctuary once and for all,
taking with him not the blood of goats and bull
calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal
redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls
and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those
who have incurred defilement and they restore
the holiness of their outward lives; how much
more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered
himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through
the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from
dead actions so that we do our service to the
living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator,
only so that the people who were called to an
eternal inheritance may actually receive what
was promised: his death took place to cancel
the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Behold the bread of angels, sent
for pilgrims in their banishment,
the bread for God's true children meant,
that may not unto dogs be given:
Oft in the olden types foreshadowed;
in Isaac on the altar bowed,
and in the ancient paschal food,
and in the manna sent from heaven.
Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
still show to us thy mercy sign;
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
so may we see thy glories shine
in fields of immortality.
O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
our present food, our future rest,
come, make us each thy chosen guest,
co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
with saints whose dwelling is with thee.
Amen. Alleluia.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which
has come down from heaven, says the Lord.
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when
the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples
said to Jesus, "Where do you want us to go
and make the preparations for you to eat the
passover?" So he sent two of his disciples,
saying to them, "Go into the city and you will
meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow
him, and say to the owner of the house which
he enters, 'The Master says: Where is my dining
room in which I can eat the passover with my
disciples?' He will show you a large upper room
furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the
preparations for us there." The disciples set out
and went to the city and found everything as he
had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread,
and when he had said the blessing he broke

it and gave it to them. "Take it," he said "this
is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he
had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all
drank from it, and he said to them, "This is my
blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be
poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall
not drink any more wine until the day I drink the
new wine in the kingdom of God."

After psalms had been sung they left for the
Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with
the Father;

through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(all bow during the next three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church,
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray,
the gifts of unity and peace,
whose signs are to be seen in mystery
in the offerings we here present.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray,
that we may delight for all eternity
in that share in your divine life,
which is foreshadowed in the present age
by our reception of your precious Body and
Blood.
Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.



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