

## NEWSLETTER

### Gospel Reflection

Bartimaeus shows his faith in Jesus in two ways.

Firstly he calls out to Jesus to heal him in a specific way. Faith is only faith when we are able to express exactly what it is we are trusting God for. It is no good to just ask a general blessing or for healing in general. We need to state exactly what it is that we are looking to God for – whether it is for salvation or healing of the eyes or enough money to repair the car.

Secondly Bartimaeus gets up and follows Jesus. Bartimaeus is not just healed in his physical sight. He starts on the path of following Jesus in his daily life. He is not just saved, he starts the walk of discipleship, allowing Jesus to determine his path.

Until this time, Bartimaeus' condition determined every part of his life. From now on Jesus determines every part of his life.



To be a follower of Jesus, it's not enough to see the truth. You have to follow the Truth also.

### Chairs

The chairs in the church are wearing thin and torn at the edges so they need to be repaired. We have been quoted a price of £11000 to repair the chairs, which we cannot afford. We are going to repair the chairs ourselves at a cost of £850, but we need help from men. The chairs will need to be unscrewed at the bottom, and the money needed will come from the coffee morning funds. If anyone can help, please put your name on the list in the porch.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon.

Following this there are Meetings on the first Friday of each month at 7:30pm that you will need to attend, where you will meet Mrs Gerri Doherty and Deacon Tony Ford.

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General Queries – ring the Parish Number and/or send an email to the Parish

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"United in conviction and united in love, with a common purpose and a common mind"  
Philippians 2:2

27th OCTOBER 2024 30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE B) MASS & SERVICE TIMES		
Saturday 26th October	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 27th October	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)
Monday 28th October	10:00am	Mass
Tuesday 29th October	10:00am	Mass
Wednesday 30th October	10:00am	Mass
Thursday 31st October		<b>No Mass</b>
Friday 1st November	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>All Saints Day</b>		
Saturday 2nd November	10:00am	All Souls Day Mass
<b>All Souls Day</b>	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 3rd November	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)

If Fr Simon is unobtainable please leave a message and send an email to [stjosephwinsford2012@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stjosephwinsford2012@hotmail.co.uk)

**200 CLUB DRAW**

Winner: £40 Prize  
This week – Mrs Margaret Chwastek

**WHY NOT JOIN THE 200 CLUB  
AND HELP THE PARISH?**

**SPECTACLES FOR MISSIONS**

Please continue to bring in your unwanted spectacles and cases

**Bingo Night**

It's that time of the year, we are collecting prizes for our bingo night raising money for parish funds. If you have anything will you leave it in the Sacristy marked 'bingo.' The bingo night is on Friday 8 November.

**Assisted Dying**

There will be a meeting about assisted dying in St Wilfred's Church Northwich on Tuesday 19th November at 7pm. Please come along and take part in what will be a very interesting talk. Speakers Deacon David Harrison, who is the Catholic Chaplain at Leighton Hospital and Karyn Johnson, who is the Director of East Cheshire Hospice. Come and have your say on this very important topic.

**PARISH CENTRE BOOKING ENQUIRIES**

If you are interested in hiring the Parish Centre for a function, please contact Phil Martin on 07720 807162

**Prayer for our Parish:**

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish  
and grant us a new vision of your glory,  
a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word  
and a new consecration to your service,  
that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come,  
through Christ our Lord.

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St Joseph pray for us

**Gospel** Mark 10 46 – 52

They spent some time in Jericho. As Jesus was leaving town, trailed by his disciples and a parade of people, a blind beggar by the name of Bartimaeus, son of Timaeus, was sitting alongside the road. When he heard that Jesus the Nazarene was passing by, he began to cry out, "Son of David, Jesus! Mercy, have mercy on me!" Many tried to hush him up, but he yelled all the louder, "Son of David! Mercy, have mercy on me!"

Jesus stopped in his tracks. "Call him over."

They called him. "It's your lucky day! Get up! He's calling you to come!" Throwing off his coat, he was on his feet at once and came to Jesus.

Jesus said, "What can I do for you?"

The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

"On your way," said Jesus. "Your faith has saved and healed you."

In that very instant he recovered his sight and followed Jesus down the road.



*"Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words"*

St Francis of Assisi

**Coffee morning**

The next coffee morning is on Tuesday 12th November at 10:30am, everyone is welcome.

