

## NEWSLETTER

### Gospel Reflection

This extract comes from one of the best-known chapters of St John's Gospel, which begins with his account of the "Miracle of the Loaves and Fish". After the crowd had been fed Jesus had sent them, and his disciples, on their way while he retreated into the hills for a time of peace and quiet... except that this did not happen. A storm blew up on the lake and the disciples were in fear of their lives when, out of nowhere, Jesus appears to them and calms the wind and the waves. When they reach land, at Capernaum, many of the crowd had already returned there themselves and they now approach Jesus to ask him about the feeding miracle that they had witnessed the previous day. As always in these dialogues in this Gospel, Jesus' words are misunderstood, and he has to go further with his explanation. This explanation, however, only deepens the mystery about his flesh and blood being real food, food for life in him. As part of our celebration of this Feast we are invited to meditate further on this gift of Jesus' Body and Blood given in our celebration of the Eucharist.

### **Job vacancy**

The Chaplain at St Nicholas will be retiring at the end of the school year and the school is seeking to appoint a full-time Chaplain to support the spiritual and pastoral life of the school community. This is a rewarding opportunity for someone with a living faith, good pastoral skills, and a desire to accompany young people in their journey of faith. Further details and application information are available at [School Chaplain at St Nicholas Catholic High School, Northwich, Cheshire | MyNewTerm](#) or contact the school. The closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> June. Please keep this intention in your prayers and share the opportunity with anyone who may feel called to this ministry.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon or see him at Mass at 10am on Sunday.

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 Chris Wells.

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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

### 7th JUNE 2026 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CYCLE A) MASS & SERVICE TIMES



Saturday 6th June	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 7th June	10:00am	Mass
Monday 8th June	10:00am	Mass
Tuesday 9th June	11:30am	Requiem Mass – Nancy Macey RIP
Wednesday 10th June	10:00am	Mass
Thursday 11th June	2:30pm	Requiem Mass – John Noad RIP
Friday 12th June		<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday 13th June	3:45pm 5:15pm	Confirmation Programme Mass
Sunday 14th June	10:00am 11:00am	Mass Cake Sale

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

**Coffee morning**

Our next coffee morning is on  
Tuesday 23rd June at 10:30am,  
everyone is welcome.

**Volunteers Required**

We are looking to build a small list of parishioners, to join our fantastic regular team, who may be willing to offer a little of their time and skills, to help with occasional small jobs around the Church and Parish Centre. If you have experience in areas such as decorating, general maintenance, plumbing, electrical work, carpentry or any other practical trades and would be happy to be contacted when help is needed, please consider putting your name forward on the list in the porch, or speak to Shirley or Christine after Mass on Sundays. Any time offered would be voluntary but gratefully received. Thank you for supporting our Parish.

**Calling all Singers!**

St Joseph’s choir have been invited to sing at the Winsford Town Council Armed Forces Event at Wharton Rec on Sunday June 28th. The choir will be singing at 12.00pm for about 15 mins. As we will be singing at an outdoor event, we would like to increase our numbers and invite anyone interested to come along to our practice sessions, which will be after mass on Sunday June 7th, 14th or 21st. Thank you!

**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**

John 6 51 – 58



Jesus said to the Jews. I’m telling you the most solemn and sober truth now: Whoever believes in me has real life, eternal life. I am the Bread of Life. Your ancestors ate the manna bread in the desert and died. But now here is Bread that truly comes down out of heaven. Anyone eating this Bread will not die, ever. I am the Bread - living Bread! - who came down out of heaven. Anyone who eats this Bread will live—and forever! The Bread that I present to the world so that it can eat and live is myself, this flesh-and-blood self.”



At this, the Jews started fighting among themselves: “How can this man serve up his flesh for a meal?”

But Jesus didn’t give an inch. “Only insofar as you eat and drink flesh and blood, the flesh and blood of the Son of Man, do you have life within you. The one who brings a hearty appetite to this eating and drinking has eternal life and will be fit and ready for the Final Day. My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. By eating my flesh and drinking my blood you enter into me and I into you. In the same way that the fully alive Father sent me here and I live because of him, so the one who makes a meal of me lives because of me. This is the Bread from heaven. Your ancestors ate bread and later died.

Whoever eats this Bread will live always”.

“Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words”  
St Francis of Assisi

**Confirmation Programme**

The Confirmation programme starts next Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June in the Parish Centre at 3.45pm.  
Anyone in Year 8 and above is welcome to join the programme.

**Cake Sale**

Maureen will be selling cakes again on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June after Mass – don’t forget to bring in some money if you want to buy some cakes.