

## Newsletter St Austin's & St Teresa's Parishes:

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) 3/4 February +92024

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### Websites

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**WE STAND UNITED IN OUR PRAYER WITH THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE**



This world, as we know, is a fragile and fallible place, in which we encounter hunger, disease, sickness and death.

Jesus proclaims, by his actions of healing, that there is another world, the Kingdom of God, which will be free from all such anxieties and afflictions. The story of Paradise and the Garden of Eden painted a picture of a world which was perfect, and free from all problems. Jesus came into the world precisely to offer us a return to Eden, if we follow him. Each of his miracles is also, in some sense, a parable or teaching, pointing out to us something of the lost happiness and perfection which he is restoring. This vision of Paradise is not Utopian or delusory, not just a vain hope to comfort us with, but the true manifestation of God's love for us. Jesus could not cure every disease or sickness in the world then: but his miracles of healing are a sign that one day, when the Kingdom comes, sickness and disease will be wiped away for ever.

### Sunday Masses:

St Austin's Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 9.30am:

St Teresa's 11.00am.

### Weekday Masses at 9.15am This week:

**Tuesday and Thursday at St Teresa's at 9.15am.**

**Wednesday and Friday at St Austin's at 9.15am.**

Also, there is a **Saturday Morning Mass at 9.30am St Austin's. Confessions after Saturday Morning Mass and on request.**

**The weekday Mass sheets return this week**

### Livestreaming Masses:

Masses & Services on Teams Tuesday & Thursday 9.15am and Sundays at 11.00am. Please E mail:

[stteresalivestreaming@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stteresalivestreaming@rcaol.org.uk)

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

St Austin's each week on Wednesday mornings from 8.15am until 9.00am. *During Adoration, each week at St Austin's there will be a time of prayer for peace for Ukraine and the Middle East.*

**St Teresa's Evening Prayer and adoration on Thursday: 1<sup>st</sup> March at 6.00pm – 7.00pm**

### Parish Websites

They are in construction now: We will adding pages etc and New forms over the next few weeks and months.

**[staustinssthelens.com](http://staustinssthelens.com)**

**[stteresaofavilasthelens.com](http://stteresaofavilasthelens.com)**

have a look and also register with your Parishes

### Raffle St Austin's

A Unique Photograph is being raffled ' Our Lady and the Heaven's' £1 per strip. All proceeds to the Maintenance Fund.

### SVP:

We are looking for new members, in both our Parish Communities. It might be the new opportunity you have been looking for. Please let Fr Martin know or alternatively ring 0799 990 0083. The direct number for the SVP shop is 02045996813 The SVP Shop has opened on Cambridge Rd. Monday - Saturday 9.00am until 4.30pm.

### St Austin's Parish: Dorcas Group:

Meets on Tuesdays at 10.00am -12.00 Noon in the Parish Hall at St Austin's. New members are welcome from both parishes. Come along for a cup of Tea and a chat.

### **Lenten Journey for both Parishes.**

**'The Chosen' I have called you by name is the first of nine weeks Film Presentation:**

**From 7.00pm – 8.00pm**

**Wednesday St Teresa's in the Presbytery**

**21<sup>st</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Feb, 6<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> March**

**Thursday St Austin's in the Sacristy**

**22<sup>nd</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Feb, 7<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> March**

**Break for Easter.**

Online by Teams Lectio Divina: 'The Way'

Online by 6.45pm starts at 7.00pm Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>

27<sup>th</sup> Feb, 5<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> March E mail Dave on

**DaveL831@aol.com** For more details.

### **Baptisms 2024**

Please note that the new list of Baptism Courses are up in the porches for our Churches 7<sup>th</sup> February St Teresa's and 6<sup>th</sup> March for St Austin's

### **Red Box Holders (St Teresa's only)**

Please bring in your boxes to Church between now and the 25<sup>th</sup> of February. Please see Mary

### **(SVP) Learning Hub: Support Group**

St Teresa of Avila Presbytery. Every Monday morning Would you like to brush up your English skills?

- get help with form filling, job applications and CVs?
- learn English as a second language: reading, writing, speaking and listening?
- learn basic computer skills?

If the answer to any of these is yes, our friendly tutors are waiting to give you the support you need. For more information contact Mary on 07366383010 or drop in the presbytery for an informal chat on Monday mornings between 10.00 and 12.00. Thank you again for all your support.

### **The Collection for Ukraine:**

Will be split between our own local SVP which is supporting locally Ukrainian refugees here and many others. And also Fr Oleh in the Ukraine and the Communities he serves.

### **LGBT+: Local Support Group:**

The Parish of SS. Agnes & Aidan's Support group meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

### **Book of Remembrance Forms:**

**New Forms are now available from this weekend, the new prices are £15 for one and £28 for two entries**

### **Feed my Lambs & Feed my Sheep**

**Foodbank:** Thank you for all the food items you have brought in. We are feeding a number of Families, during this challenging time. If you need, or know anyone in need of help, please ask any SVP member. Or leave a message on 0799 990 0083.

### **'With You Always':**

**(First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion)** Children on the 'With you Always' preparation course are now encouraged to attend regularly with their Parents at one of the weekend Masses. Also this weekend Presentation will take place at all Masses.

### **Are you fifty-five over older?**

#### **Would you like to join our club?**

We meet every Tuesday from 1.30pm – 2.30pm at St Teresa's Club Windsor Rd WA10 4HW. All are Welcome. Bingo - Tea and Coffee Raffle and Friendly company. For Further information Ring Julie 07970114245.

### **Please remember the History project for St Teresa's Parish.**

#### **The Parish Founded in 1925**

Do you have any Memories, Newspaper cuttings or Photographs. Please let us know. Phone on 01744 605087 Or E mail Christine O Neill on **cmoneill2010@hotmail.co.uk**

St Teresa's Church is in this Month's Edition of the Catholic Pictorial.