

St. Helen's Parish

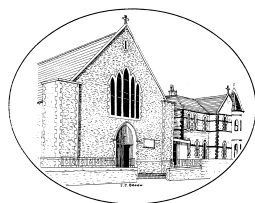
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15th August 2021

The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

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Eucharistic Prayer: I

Preface: The Glory Of Mary Assumed Into Heaven



**'Of all women
you are the
most blessed.'**

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Saturday	6:30pm	David James White & May & Cecil Matthews
Sunday	8:30am	People Of The Parish
	10:30am	Josie Sievewright

22nd August 2021, 21st Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday	6:30pm	Bob & Pat Hawkins
Sunday	8:30am	People Of The Parish
	10:30am	Tanner Family

Please pray for all the sick and elderly members of the Parish, their families, carers and all their families.

Parish Hall Events

No Parish Hall Events Until Further Notice

Sacramental Events

Baptism Preparations– Contact the parish office for further details.

Collections– 8th August 2021

Ordinary £264.57 Gift Aid £820.50

+Reconciliation/ Confession

Confessions will be heard by appointment only until further notice. To book an appointment please contact the parish office on 01446 735051 (option 2)

Weekday Masses: Mon 16th Aug – Sat 21st Aug

Monday Weekday In Ordinary Time		No Mass
Tuesday Weekday In Ordinary Time	11:00am	No Mass Holy Hour
Wednesday Weekday In Ordinary Time		No Mass
Thursday Weekday In Ordinary Time		No Mass
Friday St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church	9:00am 9:00am	No Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations Of The Cross
Saturday St Pius X, Pope		No Morning Mass

Mass Steward Volunteers

Sat 6:30pm 14th August	Nikki Cole, Leelamma Regi & Paul Burke
Sun 8:30am 15th August	Pat Wilkins, Obi Ofokansi, Chris Owens, & Menna Jones
Sun 10:30am 15th August	Michelle O'Hare, Soniya Johny, Mervyn Jones & Pippa Jones
Sat 6:30pm 21st August	Nikki Cole, Leelamma Regi, Anne Reynish & Paul Burke
Sun 8:30am 22nd August	Pat Wilkins, Obi Ofokansi, Chris Owens, & Rachel Jones & Ligi
Sun 10:30am 22nd August	Michelle O'Hare, Rebeca Johnson, Stephanie Tarling & Mervyn Jones

Live Stream

All Masses and devotions can be live streamed-
website: www.sthelensrcchurch.co.uk

Sanctuary Lamp: James Selby

St Helen's Catholic Primary School

Mrs Michelle Clawson (Acting Head Teacher)

01446 700034

St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School

Mr David Blackwell (Head Teacher)

01446 729250

+Please Pray For The Repose Of The Soul Of:

Patrick Lally (husband of Anne Lally) who died recently.

Funeral Arrangements:

Patrick Lally– Requiem Mass on Wed 1st Sept.

+The Welsh Government Covid Annoucement

The Welsh Government has now moved the Covid alert level to zero. Most but not all covid laws and restrictions have been removed in Wales.

This being said we are awaiting further guidance relating specifically to places of worship, this should be published and sent to us by the end of next week.

Until further notice we will continue with the regulations we currently have in place and update you as and when necessary.

+The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

The feast day for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is this Sunday 15th August. **Readers** please note that this year the feast falls on a Sunday. The Saturday Evening Mass will be the Vigil Mass and the two Sunday Morning Masses will be Mass during the day.

+RCIA

In September our parish hopes to begin a new journey of faith, if you know of anyone interested please let them know of the forthcoming sessions. Contact the presbytery on 01446 735051, or introduce them to a member of the RCIA team: Brian Morris, Ingrid Grant, Mervyn Jones, Anne Munro, Phillip Kitchen & Phillipa Jones.

+Our Lady Chapel

With immediate effect Our Lady Chapel is open. It will be open half an hour before Mass, weekdays and weekends. Due to restrictions currently in place we ask that no more than 6 people are in the chapel at any given time.

+Fr Pat's Summer Break

As of Sunday 15th August Fr Pat will be taking a much deserved two week break. Therefore there will be no morning Masses. Holy Hour will be on Tuesday 17th August at **11:00am** and the Divine Mercy will be on Friday 20th August at **9:00am**.

Fr Fanswar has very kindly agreed to celebrate Mass with us on the Sunday's Fr Pat is away.

If you would like to live stream Mass from churches within our diocese please visit www.rcadc.org for a full list of churches with live stream facilities.

The weekend Masses, Holy Hour and Divine Mercy will be live streamed from St Helen's, people can also attend in person if they wish to.

We wish Fr Pat a safe journey and a relaxing time.

+Returning To Mass

It is the Eucharist, the celebration of the Mass, that makes the Church; and it is the Church, in the gift of the Holy Spirit, which makes the Eucharist. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the lifeblood of the Church. It requires our active participation and, to be fully celebrated, our physical presence. At this moment, then, we need to have in our sights the need to restore to its rightful centrality in our lives the Sunday Mass, encouraging each to take his or her place once again in the assembly of our brothers and sisters.

+The Feast of the Assumption – The God Who Speaks

Celebrate the Feast of the Assumption on August 15th with this reflection by Amégée Olongo on a stained glass window designed by Evie Hone. <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/sacred-space/the-feast-of-the-assumption-a-reflection/>

+The Feast Of The Assumption Reflection

Today, Catholics and many other Christians celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

Venerable Pope Pius XII confirmed this belief about the Virgin Mary as the perennial teaching of the Church when he defined it formally as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950, invoking papal infallibility to proclaim, "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

Although the bodily assumption of Mary is not explicitly recorded in Scripture, Catholic tradition identifies her with the "woman clothed with the sun" who is described in the 12th chapter of the Book of Revelation.

The passage calls that woman's appearance "a great sign" which "appeared in heaven," indicating that she is the mother of the Jewish Messiah and has "the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars." Accordingly, Catholic iconography of the Western tradition often depicts the Virgin Mary's assumption into heaven in this manner.

The feast of the Assumption is always a Holy Day of Obligation, on which they are obliged to attend Mass or Divine Liturgy. This year due to the pandemic the obligation has been removed however those who feel able to attend Mass are encouraged to do so.