

Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

Newsletter

16th January 2022
Peace Sunday

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Regular Mass Times

Sunday	10.00
Monday	07:30
Tuesday	07:30
Wednesday	09.00
Thursday	07:30
Friday	09:00
Saturday (vigil)	18.00

Mass Intentions

- Sat 15: Theresa & Frank Hastie
- Sun 16: Kathleen Brown
- Mon 17: Parishioners
- Tue 18: Maureen Maguire
- Wed 19: Owen & Elizabeth McEvoy
- Thu 20: Special Intention
- Fri 21: Mary Thompson
- Sat 22: Robbie & Agnes O’Gorman
- Sun 23: Jimmy Gallagher

Homily Notes

Pope Francis writes in his letter for **this World Day of Prayer for peace:**

“All can work together to build a more peaceful world, starting from the hearts of individuals and relationships in the family, then within society and with the environment, and all the way up to relationships between peoples and nations”.

He writes that 3 elements are necessary for the achievement of lasting peace: the first is *dialogue between generations as the basis for the realization of shared projects*.

“Young people need the wisdom and experience of the elderly while those who are older need the support, affection, creativity and dynamism of the young. Great social challenges and peace processes necessarily call for dialogue between the keepers of memory – the elderly – and those who move history forward - the young”

His second element is *education, as a factor of freedom, responsibility and development*. He gives a special role in this to places of education for “education provides the grammar for dialogue between generations”.

The 3rd element is *labour as a means for the full realization of human dignity*.

Pope Francis ends his letter: “I make this appeal: let us walk together with courage and creativity on the path of intergenerational dialogue, education, and work. May more and more men and women strive daily, with quiet humility and courage, to be artisans of peace. And may they be ever inspired and accompanied by the blessings of the God of peace!”

Terry

Peace Making

Watching the television every night, scrolling through our phones or reading the newspapers, it is all too easy to become despondent about the state the world is in, whether it be war in Syria, Yemen, Ethiopia or Russian troops massing on the Ukrainian border. Too often the instinct is to lose hope. What, after all, can we as individuals achieve in a world of competing power blocks? But despair is always to be avoided and with small acts of solidarity and kindness we can help to change things.

Growing up in Ireland in the 1970s and ‘80s, it never crossed my mind that there would or could ever be an end to the so called ‘Troubles’ in my homeland: though I lived south of the border and away from the worst of the violence, my childhood was filled with news broadcasts of massacres, dying hunger strikers and car bombings. It was as much a part of all our lives as the football results or cartoon time on TV. As I became more conscious of the historical background to the conflict, it seemed to me that two immovable enemies lined up against each other, one group feeling British, the other Irish. I could not foresee that ever changing.

Today those groups still exist, but children growing up in Ireland now no longer live in the shadow of war. The Good Friday Agreement of 1998 was a document of compromise in which everyone gave up some of their ground in order for the process to move forward. It brought a large measure of peace to the island and, while things are very far from perfect, and the underlying strains still exist, there is now the space for people to think clearly and without fear about what an agreed future might look like. The longer peace holds, the more likely it is to be lasting.

On this Peace Sunday, let us pray that others might be inspired by this small example of peaceful compromise.

Frank Shovlin

Parish Notice Boar

Nugent Charity Shop:

is in urgent need of donations.



"We accept the following donations: clothing, shoes, accessories, handbags, books, jigsaws, bric-a-brac.

We are unable to accept the following: toys, soft toys, furniture, electrical items".

Anthony Birch has very kindly offered to take any donations to the shop, so you may leave them here at the church or let us know and we will collect them at your house. Nugent's telephone number: 0151 737 2951 or visit their website at: [Nugent Allerton Road \(Charity Shop\) - Nugent \(wearenugent.org\)](http://Nugent Allerton Road (Charity Shop) - Nugent (wearenugent.org)) Charity Shop is open: Monday - Saturday, 10am - 5pm

Octave of Prayer of Christian Unity

Tuesday 18th until Tuesday 25th January.

Next weekend **the Rev. Laura Ferguson**, the priest at St.

Michael's Church, will preach at Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning here at SVP. Cardinal Michael will preach at St. Bride's Church on Sunday morning.

Daily prayers on Facebook which we all can pray.

For further information you can look at <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

"I pray that all of them may be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You. May they also be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me" Jn 17:21

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 11.00 – 13.00 Sacrament of Reconciliation available

This Sunday, we celebrate **Peace Sunday**. The title Pope Francis has chosen for the 55th Message for the World Day of Peace is: **Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace.**

Pax Christi, the international Catholic movement for peace, has produced a variety of resources to help celebrate the theme. They can be found here: Peace Sunday 16 January 2022 – Pax Christi England and Wales.

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon, who is the National President of Pax Christi, said:

"This year has been one of unprecedented and continuing challenges. We are all conscious of the need to restore and rebuild our communities here and around the world, accepting that we need new ways of working and relating to each other. The Christian message of peace, through reconciliation, justice and nonviolence, can offer hope and direction in these times. I invite you to seriously consider facilitating a collection for, or making a donation to, the work of Pax Christi at this time as a way to make a practical contribution to continuing the work of peace."



Archdiocese of Liverpool
Justice & Peace Commission

Dr Lorna Gold will talk on: The Environment in relation to Synodality. Register at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMuf-mvrzWuG9PD06lFRwfu8PF66XLA4B8d>

**Memorial
Lecture 2022
16 January
2022, 2 – 4pm**

Next weekend, there will be a retiring collection for **PAX CHRISTI**. This should have been taken this weekend, the Day of Prayer for Peace, but we forgot to announce last weekend.

To receive the Newsletter by email, please inform Terry at stvincent@rcaolp.co.uk You will also receive various documents concerning the faith and the church.

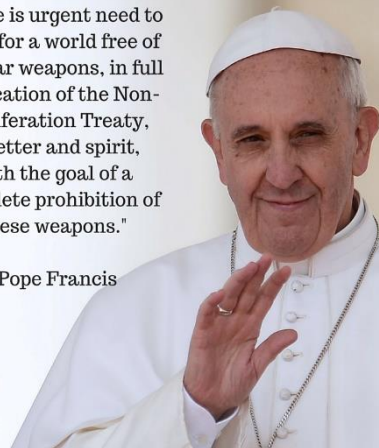
Meeting of the Financial Council Tuesday 18th 6pm

Friday 28th January 7pm
in the Guild Room,
Presentation of the Film
"The Treat"
memories of the annual Treat of St. Vincent de Paul.
All are welcome

Peace and Reconciliation

"There is urgent need to work for a world free of nuclear weapons, in full application of the Non-Proliferation Treaty, in letter and spirit, with the goal of a complete prohibition of these weapons."

-Pope Francis



Lottery Results 09/01/21
01 02 03 05 07 14

Offerings on 9th January
Envelopes £172.00 Plate £129.25
Thank you

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our Prayers are asked for the following who are sick: Kitty BAXTER, Frank BENJAMIN, Betty CARDEN, Vera CARTLEDGE, Lloyd CHUNG, Baby Daisy Marcia DUNN, Joe EDIE, Jean ENNIS, Raymond JOYCE, Maureen MAGUIRE, Cathy MURRAY, John PHILLIPS, Ava RUDZINSKI, Jean TAYLOR, David THOMAS, Camila WILD
Also, for the intentions of: Anne & Joan BAXTER, Denise BELL, Rita & Jimmy FLATLEY, Germaine, Beverly HARPER, Joan HART, Theresa HASTIE, Madeleine M'CANN & Family, Teresa SWIFT, Martha TAGUE, Cath WILSON

And for those who have died: Catherine BOWLES, Lee GLANVILLE, Mary HAINS, Teresa Leahy (2nd anniversary 17/1/22)