



# Holy Apostles and Martyrs Parish

Part of Wallasey Local Missionary Area (LMA 21)

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**Journeying Together for a Synodal Church** – Prayer cards are being given out this weekend and we will pray the Synod Prayer each day at Mass please join in praying this important prayer with us at home if you are not able to be at Mass.

**Eucharistic Adoration with a special focus now on the Synodal Process** – Monday after **9.30am Mass until 10.30am.** Tuesday before **6.45pm Mass from 6.15pm**

**Good news about Parish Project** - In April it will be five years since our project started with a Quinquennial Inspection detailing the repairs and restoration needed on the church building.

After much research, report writing, applying for grants (and a few delays along the way) we now have a provisional date of **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February** when the contractors will start work on site. As you are already aware we have had to split the project into two phases due to a significant rise in costs. This first phase includes re-roofing all the roofs, re-modelling the kitchen and installing a second WC, an upgrade to the heating and replacement of the metal staircase outside the Sacristy. These works will take an estimated 21 weeks with a provisional finishing date of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July. We will confirm these provisional dates as soon as we hear from the main contractor.

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## **PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION -**

Next weekend the annual Collection for the PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND will be held to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests. A Leaflet about the Fund is also available online which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque.

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**2022 Diocesan Year Books** on sale - **£5** at back of Church

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**COVID-19** – In view of the high level of infection rate at the moment please continue to be vigilant in Church and sanitise hands, wear face coverings and social distance wherever possible. For the time being there will be no tea/coffee after the 11am Mass or Children's Liturgy.

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**Refugee Appeal** - Thank you to everyone who donated new socks and underpants for the refugees at Grove House. They were all distributed before Christmas and the refugees were delighted.

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**9<sup>th</sup> January 2022**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
**Year C**  
**Psalter Week I**

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*First Reading*  
**Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11**

*Response to Psalm*  
Bless the Lord, my soul!  
Lord God, how great you are.

*Second Reading*  
**Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7**

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## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Someone is coming, said John, someone greater than I. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.  
Alleluia!

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**Gospel**  
**Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22**

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Please pray for our sick, housebound in our parish. May the Lord in his love & mercy help them through the grace of the Holy Spirit.

**Rest in Peace**  
Please pray for  
**Eric Bushell and**  
**Barbara Bushell and**  
**Elizabeth Naylor** and all who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur around this time

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## Contacts

**Twitter:** @HamParish

**Facebook Page:** Holy Apostles Catholic Parish

**Website:** [holyapostlesandmartys.org](http://holyapostlesandmartys.org)

**Ss Peter & Paul Primary**

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### Our parish SVP conference

helps anyone in our community who needs some kind of support. Please

email [ham.svpconference@gmail.com](mailto:ham.svpconference@gmail.com) and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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**Finance** - The offertory collection last weekend totalled **£535** (plus £498 standing orders). Many thanks for your continued generosity.

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**Sunday Lunch Club** is postponed for the time being

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UCM meeting will resume on 4th January after Holy Mass.

This will be a Sale of Trash or Treasure to raise funds. New members and visitors welcome

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**SVP Hamper Raffle** The hamper was won by Brian Clark - Brian, we hope you were able to enjoy the treats despite not being well over Christmas. Together with ticket sales and some very generous donations, we are able to send £600 to the South Sudan SVP feeding project and so 10 babies will be fed during the coming year. Thanks once again for the support you always give to this crucially important programme.

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## Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday	<b>6.00pm</b>	(Eric Bushell)
Sunday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Irene, Tony & Monica Molloy)
	<b>11.00am</b>	(People of the Parish)
Monday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Agnes Butler)
Tuesday	<b>6.45pm</b>	(Frances Mary Ekbery)
Wednesday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Intentions of Pat & Barbara Revans)
Thursday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Intentions of Louisa Morriss)
Friday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Jim Hetherington)
Saturday	<b>6.00pm</b>	(People of Parish)
Sunday	<b>9.30am</b>	(Christine McGowan)
	<b>11.00am</b>	(Charles McParland)

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**New Year Resolutions – to #LiveSimply** Have you made your New Year Resolution to protect the planet? We can make a difference together as 40% of Carbon emission are from homes. The most impact is from reducing energy by car, heating in homes or switching to LED lighting; reducing meat and dairy foods and reducing food waste. Check your Carbon footprint with this easy tool and see what changes you can make: [WWF Footprint Calculator](#)

**Live Simply Award** We need your help, please! The assessment will be on Sunday 23rd January, 11am mass and afterwards when Eileen and Vin Brennan will visit the parish. We have been working towards this award for nearly two years and are now writing up our parish actions. Please can you send in your comments and testimonials to show how Living Simply has changed your life style or ideas? These are some of our actions: Car Idling Campaign, Missio box collections, recycling information, New Year's pledges, information on the parish website, church garden, Climate Sunday, Laudato Si' celebrations, Cop26 prayers and petitions, fairtrade, food bank. Please contact Anne on 07910960316 or email [ham.creation.2020@gmail.com](mailto:ham.creation.2020@gmail.com)

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**Readers Rota** - Many thanks to those who have notified absences. The Readers rota for January to March 2022 has been emailed, and a copy posted on the Sacristy Notice Board. If you have not received your email, please note my new email address given below. Printed copies of the rota for those who have requested them are in the outer sacristy. If you have any queries please email me at [chether32@gmail.com](mailto:chether32@gmail.com), or phone/text 07948 727504.  
Many Thanks.

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**Church Garden** We resume this week on Monday and Wednesday at 2pm. We will start to relocate some of the plants from the front garden so any extra help would be welcome. If you would like any for your garden please ask. On Wednesday we have invited Minna, from Compost Works, to explain how their community composting scheme works. [Compost Works](#) If possible we would like some of these sites in Wallasey so people are able to use a local compost bin. For more info please contact Anne on 07910 960316

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