



The Parishes of St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York, Thornton

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In a family of parishes with St. Helen's, Crosby and St Joseph's, Blundellsands

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Sunday 16th August: Solemnity of the Assumption (Transferred)

The Week Ahead....

Sun 16th August	Solemnity of the Assumption. (Transferred) *Holyday*	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am- Int: Marge Ennis RIP Holy Mass St Mary's 11:15am- Int: John Brannigan RIP Holy Baptism at St William of York- <i>Alexander James Oakes</i> Holy Mass St Helens 4pm.
Mon 17th August	Monday week 20 in Ordinary Time	6pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. 7pm Holy Mass at . St William of York. Int: Leah Moores (RIP)
Tue 18th August	St. Helen	Holy Mass St. Mary's 10am Int: Special Intention
Wed 19th August	St John Eudes ◀	Holy Mass St Helen's 10am
Thur 20th August	St. Bernard	Holy Mass St Mary's Int: Sheila Lupton (RIP)
Fri 21st August	St Pius X	Holy Mass St William of York 10am. Int: Paul Couch & Nicole Palmer (Marriage)
Sat 22nd August	The Queenship of the BVM	11am Exposition of Sacrament (confessions 11:20am) followed by 12noon Mass. St Helens
Sun 23rd August	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St. William of York 9.30am- Int: Colin Campbell (Anniversary) Holy Mass St Mary's 11:15am- Int: Maria & Len Swift (RIP) Holy Baptism at St William of York- <i>Harper & Nova Davies</i> Holy Mass St Helens 4pm.

Please pray for all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit; may the good Lord grant them health, strength, comfort and perseverance. We pray for the lately dead, and also remember those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: Eternal rest...

The 'Families of Parishes' Website, incorporates St. Helen's, St. Joseph's, St. Mary's and St. William of York. Please access via the following: www.seftoncoastsouthdeanerynorthfamily.org

SWOY SCOUT GROUP: Places available, **and we need Adult volunteers** to help run the activities. **Squirrels:** age 4-6, Tuesdays 4.45-5.30.pm. **Beavers:** age 6-8, Tuesdays 6.00-7.00.pm. **Cubs:** age 8-10, Thursdays 6.00-7.15.pm. **Scouts:** age 10-14, Tuesdays 6.30-8.00.pm. If you're interested, please ring Catherine on: 07780 544 227.

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH meet on Tuesday evenings in St Helen's church for prayer at 7.00.pm, followed by discussion over a cuppa in the parish centre. All welcome.

There is a pensioners group which meets at St Williams club. Monday from 1pm– 3pm. All WELCOME

Parish Development Strategy: Since it began in March last year, groups from each parish in the deanery have been meeting to reflect on our situation and to plan for the future of the Church in our area.

They have looked at both the strengths and the challenges in our parishes, as well as the number of priests and people we have now and in the years ahead.

The vision that has come from this work is both hopeful and challenging. It asks a simple question:

How can we share the Good News of Jesus in our communities, and how can we support our priests and volunteers in the future?

This means building up our parish communities, working more closely together, and making good decisions about how we use our resources to support the mission of the Church.

The leaflet includes two Strands of a proposal:

linking parishes more closely through Families of Parishes;

and developing synodal teams across the deanery.

Between now and **20th September**, we invite you to have your say. The leaflet explains how you can do this, **(THERE IS ALSO A BOX AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO WRITE THEIR RESPONSE)** and there will also be parish meetings led by members of the deanery.

Please don't leave it until the last minute—your voice matters.

Walsingham 2027: The Pilgrimage to Walsingham Monday 5th -Thursday 8th April, 2027 is definitely going ahead. Those on the list will be contacted soon. If you are interested please add your name and contact details asap. Limited availability. Total cost can only be worked out when we know the Coach size required. Contact: catherine.hickey14@gmail.com or phone; 07486131930

FUNDRAISER for FR. SIMON CADWALLADER'S PARISH IN PERU - Saturday, 22nd August, at 12.30 pm

Join us after the 12 noon Mass at St Helen's Parish Centre for a fundraising afternoon featuring a video presentation, art exhibition, refreshments, stalls and raffle. Donations of raffle prizes, nearly new items and unwanted gifts are warmly welcomed and can be left in St. Helen's Porch.

St Helen's Feast Day:

Let's celebrate: The feast of St Helen! Tuesday 18th August at 12.00noon Mass Followed by Family BBQ, fun and games Food provided. Please bring your own drinks. All Welcome!