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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evening	5.30 (T)	John Croston
Sunday Morning	9.00 (M)	Agnes Davies
Sunday Morning	11.00 (T)	Parishioners

PRAYERS Please remember in your prayers:

Mary Blakeley who died recently.

Fred Tayman, Kathleen Wright, Marie Pinchin, Teresa Gilson, Eric Laird, Mary Lee, Elaine Harland, Father Gerald Hurst, Pat Hayes, Jo McLaughlin, Father Peter Robertson, Alan Rushbrook, Danny Jones, Patricia Green, Beryl Stapleton, Frank Ahern, Felix Bartoszak, and all who are sick or housebound.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday : **Ss. Charles Lwanga and Companions.**

Charles Lwanga was the leader in Uganda of a group of 22 people, both Catholics and Anglicans, many newly baptised, who were martyred for their faith between 1885 and 1887. Charles himself was killed on this day in 1886 by being burnt alive.

Thursday: **St. Boniface** (d.755) He was born in Devon about 675 and spent the first 40 years of his life in the south west of England as a monk and teacher. He then went evangelise the Germanic peoples, and, having been ordained bishop, was given a wide-ranging commission by the Pope to establish monasteries and diocese throughout Germany and Gaul. He was killed in what is now The Netherlands, on this day in 754, and buried at his abbey of Fulda. Boniface is honoured as the Apostle of Germany, and the beautiful Pre-Reformation parish church in the nearby village of Bunbury is dedicated to him.

World Communications Day

This will take place this Sunday 1st June. On this day Catholics are invited to reflect on the command of Jesus to preach the Good News of the Gospel to the whole world. We are challenged to take part in a New Evangelisation under the inspired leadership of Pope Francis. In the short time he has been with us he has made a tremendous impact on everyone, not just Catholics by the way he has communicated the joy and challenge of following Jesus.

The recent conference on Human Trafficking hosted by Pope Francis in the Vatican has resulted in extraordinary media interest and coverage. This has resulted in an ever increasing demand for images, comment and in depth analysis of his teaching and actions, which is responded to by the Catholic Communications Network. This is the media office of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales which continues to be of service both to the Church and the world in presenting accessible and informed material to all beaches of the media. Today we are asked to support the crucial work of the Network through a parish collection.

A Great Day at Manley Knoll.

In spite of the inclement weather last Sunday, the Great Parish Bake-Off paid dividends when it became the Great Parish Eat-Out!! In total **£1250** was raised for the parish through the sale of refreshments - its no wonder there is another cafe opened on the Tarporley High Street. Maybe the church should revert to what it was before - The Oak Tree Cafe - to solve our financial problems.

The range and the quality of the cakes provided by parishioners was amazing, and the portions were generous to a fault. My sincere thanks to all those who baked, to the many parishioners who served and washed up, to all who supported us in whatever way, but especially to Roisin and James who made their beautiful gardens available on the day.

As well as raising money for the parish, £1200 was raised on the gate for the work of various Cancer Charities such as Macmillan Nurses. So all in all, a great day out!!

Hospital Mass

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 5th June at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester Hospital Chapel. This is for patients, outpatients, staff, families and friends. All are welcome.

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