#### **EASTER 5**

#### 18 MAY 2025

# **ELLESMERE PORT & HOOTON**

Our Lady Star of the Sea & St Bernard I St Saviour & St Mary of the Angels



This Sunday at 10am in Rome, the Holy Father will liturgically inaugurate his ministry as the Successor of St Peter and he asks our prayers as he marks the beginning of his Pontificate. We pray that Leo XIV will be pope for many years to come and that, under his pastoral care, the Church will grow both in numbers and in devotion, so that all nations may hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

To commemorate the election of the Holy Father, I will celebrate a special Holy Mass this Wednesday 21 May at 6.30pm followed by a buffet reception. All are welcome to this special parish celebration for Pope Leo.

May God bless us in the week ahead.

Father Edmund

#### **Online Donations to the Parish**

To making giving easier, please consider donating online via the Parish Website www.rcchep.co.uk or via the QR code printed here. Thank you for your generosity.





TUESDAY 10AM Mass on Tuesday at the earlier time of 10am, to allow children from St Saviour to attend



NEW SERIES Just over a week until the new series of talks begin, appropriately on the Papacy!



TWO WEDDINGS Please pray for James and Kim and Marie Therese and Mark who will be married at St Mary of the Angels on Friday and Saturday this week



To Celebrate the Election of Pope Leo XIV you are invited to

## Holy Mass on Wednesday 21 May at 6.30pm Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

followed by a reception with buffet food for everyone, as well as hot and cold drinks, sparkling wine, red and white wines and beers, soft drinks and an ice cream stand.

All welcome!

Please come and celebrate this joyful moment in the life of the Church.



My thanks to Lilybetts Catering, Ellesmere Port, for providing the buffet for us

#### **Collection for Lourdes: Sending 10 Youth**

I would like to ask your generosity in helping 10 of our young people from Ellesmere Port Catholic High School to travel to Lourdes with the Diocese this Summer as part of the Holy Year Pilgrimage. Our collection will help defray the costs of their pilgrimage - and will be, through our Lady's prayers - a moment of grace for them and their families.

Please help me support them as they try to cover the significant costs. There will be a second collection this weekend and next weekend to receive any support you might be able to give.

Thank you, in anticipation and God bless your generosity.

#### Thanks: 'Fr Edmund' Envelope

Sincere thanks to the generous anonymous parishioner for their Rome envelope. Whilst I can't go on this occasion due to first Holy Communions and first Confessions, I will try to go in the coming weeks and will take your intentions with me to St Peter's in a special way.

#### **Next Series of Talks: The Papacy**

Our present Holy Father, Pope Leo, is the 267th pope in direct succession from St Peter. But what is the papacy? What is Christ's intention by founding the Church on St Peter and his successors? Why is the pope the Bishop of Rome?

Over this series of talks, we will explore the papacy and some occupants of the Throne of St Peter. Of particular interest might be the only Englishman elected to the papacy (so far!) Adrian IV and the pope who excommunicated Elizabeth I Boleyn and fought off a Turkish invasion with the holy Rosary, Pope St Pius V.

- Talk 1 An Introduction to the Papacy Wednesday 28 May at 7pm
- Talk 2 Was St Peter the first pope? Wednesday 4 June at 7pm
- Talk 3 The first 40 popes Wednesday 11 June at 7pm
- Talk 4 Two Greats: Leo I and Gregory I Wednesday 18 June at 7pm
- Talk 5 Two Sinners: Alexander VI and Leo X Wednesday 25 June at 7pm
- Talk 6 The English Pope: Adrian IV Wednesday 2 July at 7pm
- Talk 7 Reformation and War: St Pius V Wednesday 9 July at 7pm

#### Afternoon Tea at St Mary of the Angels

Catherine Jones writes: An AfternoonTea is to be held in the Stanley Hall at St Mary of the Angels on Saturday 5 July at 2pm. Tickets, costing £10, are available from Wendy Welsh and Catherine Jones, who can be contacted via the Parish Office.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Chris McFadden, Maureen, Ray Hancock, Colin Wood, Nicola Avery, Baby Jake, Kevin Brady, Pat, Marion Andrew, Lisa Gilmore, Ella-May Ehlen, Pat, Edna, Anne Donnelly, David Fitzgeraldson, Jean Bowles, Tony Kemp, Margaret Kenny, Antoinette Denney, Francis Ellis, Babies Avery and Vincent White, Christine Fernandes, Christine Brown, Kath Leahey, Jim Shepherd, Joanne, Michael, Sophie, Elliott, David, Karen Seymour, Mavis O'Donnell, Baby Alana, Honora Ellis, Marie, Sheila, and Vincent Smith. Please pray for those who have died: Patricia Hughes, Pope Francis, Magdalen Corner, Christine Hewson, Maureen Morris, and Michael Sixsmith.



## **PARISH HOLY MASS & LITURGY**

Monthly devotion I The month of May is dedicated to our Lady

### Sunday Missal Page: 859

<b>Sunday 18 May</b> Fifth Sunday of Easter	Our Lady Our Lady  St Mary	4pm 5pm — — — 9am	Confessions available until 4.55pm Thomas Joseph Harris RIP — — — Pope Leo XIV
	Our Lady Our Lady	11am 4pm	John, Alison, and Cameron Edwards RIP *New Additional Sunday Mass*
Monday 19 May St Milburga	Our Lady	12.15pm	Ann Teresa Harris Birthday Intention Intentions
Tuesday 20 May Eastertide	Our Lady	10am	Patrick O'Driscoll RIP Birthday Remembrance
Wednesday 21 May Dedication of the Cathedral	Our Lady	6.30pm	Holy Mass for the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, followed by a celebration buffet reception in Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Centre
Thursday 22 May St Rita	Our Lady Our Lady	11.45am 12.15pm	The holy Rosary is prayed before Mass
Friday 23 May Eastertide	St Mary	12noon	Wedding: James Cawley and Kim Stockton
Saturday 24 May OL Help of Christians	Our Lady St Mary	10.30am 12noon	1 Holy Communion: Children from non-Catholic Schools Wedding: Marie-Thérèse Letissier and Mark Hannam
Sunday 25 May Sixth Sunday of Easter	Our Lady Our Lady St Mary Our Lady Our Lady Our Lady Our Lady Our Lady	4pm 5pm 9am 11am 1.30pm 2.15pm 4pm	Confessions available until 4.55pm Michael Dean RIP 32nd Anniversary — — — Parishioners John Cull RIP 7th Anniversary Baptism: Autumn Jaqueline Russell Baptism: Jasmine Leigh Omelis *New Additional Sunday Mass*

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