

The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter

Incorporating the Four Church Communities of Garston, Grassendale and Allerton.

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Solemnity of SS. Peter & Paul, Apostles				Year A	Sunday 27th June 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES			MASS INTENTION
Saturday 27th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Thanksgiving for a new baby	
Sunday 28th June	Solemnity of SS. Peter & Paul, Apostles			People of the Parish	
Monday 29th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Margaret Hector (RIP)	
Tuesday 30th June	The First Martyrs of the See of Rome			Tony Lebroc	
Wednesday 1st July	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Stephen & David Settle	
Thursday 2nd July	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Adrienne Pilsbury	
Friday 3rd July	Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle			Frances Reid (LD)	
Saturday 4th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Joe Brophy (Ann)	
Sunday 5th July	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time			People of the	e Parish





By Appointment with the Parish Office 0151 427 4015

Weddings



By Appointment with the Parish Priest 0151 427 4015

Sacrament of Reconciliation Confessions



By appointment

Carmelite Monastery Maryton Grange

The sisters are all continuing

to support us with their prayers.

You can request special prayers from the community through the Liverpool South **Pastoral Area Website**

Can I just say....

In some ways, I can say that I've seen more of some members of my family over the last three months of lockdown than ever before: oh, the powers of the internet and the now ever-present Zoom! Some, however, having been locked down with the same brothers and sisters for three months, might feel they've seen more than enough of their family, the ones they live with, and are all a bit fed up with it! But as we have seen, not least in our parish through those who have given and received those care calls, people have found new ways of fellowship, new ways of being brother and sister to each other. What it is to be a brother and sister? Well, that's a question our solemnity today asks of us.

While Peter and Paul may not have been real brothers, importantly they did live according to the Gospel. Their lives and their deaths as martyrs have made them founders of Rome as a new sort of city compared to the one Romulus and Remus are given credit for. Living authentically in this Gospel of Christ, they showed forth a new way to be brothers. Seeking this brotherhood and communion with Peter and Paul, who showed us the way to be brothers and sisters of Christ, is at the heart of today's feast. Their brotherhood shows us the importance of communion with Christ and with the successors of both Peter and Paul, our Holy Father.

It might have come as a surprise to many who knew them that they could be heroes of our faith. In the gospels, Peter is often presented as someone who keeps on getting it wrong. Whether it's wanting to stay on top of the Mountain of the Transfiguration, avoiding the road to Calvary, or even denying the Lord three times on the cusp of Calvary, Peter often gets it very wrong. Saul, as he was, wasn't clumsy but rather deliberate in his attack on the fledgling Church and also on Christ himself. But, as Saint Paul tells us, the Lord gave him the power to change and do all he was called to do. He had the power to turn away from past ways, to answer the question put to Peter the right way, just as Peter was given the power to give the right answer at the right time in Caesarea Philippi. In a Church in which each of us is called daily to answer the question put by Christ, "Who do you say that I am?", in a community made up not of the perfect but of sinners loved and called to communion, Peter and Paul can be real heroes because of the gifts they received: if it was true even for them it can be true for us too.

Fr Joe

OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

It's been great to see people visiting our church over the last week or so. The number of people choosing to come and pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament when they've been able has been very encouraging. If you are able to come and visit our church you'll see that things are a bit different. We're trying to follow all the guidelines the archbishop has given all the churches he has allowed to reopen in this first phase. We're also very grateful to our team of volunteers who are welcoming and guiding people during their visit. If you feel unwell, suffering from symptoms of COVID-19 or are shielding, please continue to pray at home. If you are well and not having to shield, please continue to pray at home too, but do come when you can and spend some time in prayer in our church, following the instructions of our team of volunteers who are there to help you. The opening times of our church for private prayer are as follows:



Sunday 9 am – 12 noon Monday to Friday 9 am – 10.30 am Tuesday and Thursday 4.30 pm – 6 pm



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sunday and Thursday mornings

Given the government's recent announcement, a lot of people may already be thinking about the next phase of our reopening when we will be able to come together once again for Mass or other liturgies. We wait to hear more from the archbishop and the other bishops about their guidance and instructions concerning that. The main point is that there is no rush. The important thing is to move through these phases of reopening slowly and safely, learning all the time about what coming to church in these times will entail for all of us. Those who are able to come to church can all help in this. It would really assist in our learning at this time to see our church full to its newly advertised capacity of 30 visitors and then see how that number of people can move through our church safely as it is now laid out for visitors. Therefore, I really would encourage as many of you who are able to come and visit our church and help us to learn more and progress in this phase of a reopened church.

We look forward to seeing you!

First Holy Communion 2021

If your child is currently in Year 3 and will start Year 4 next September, or if he or she is older and has not yet begun the preparation for First Holy Communion, now is the time to start thinking about your child's First Holy Communion. If you would like your child to prepare for First Holy Communion during the coming school year please contact the parish office for an initial letter and application form before

Friday, 21st August 2020.

We continue to pray for those children who have been preparing this year with their parents and who are waiting until we are able to enjoy those celebrations of First Holy Communion as soon as we can and it is safe.

Other News & Information with Dates for Your Diary

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Find us on Facebook! Do have a look at our page—we try and keep it current and busy—let us know if we can improve it. Our Facebook ID is StWilfridGarston - do "like us" on Facebook

We've come up with some ways of being church in these times and praying & staying together. Please join in with as much or as little as you feel able and do inform any parishioners who may not be virtually connected. All are welcome! Items can be sent to:

Fr Joe (sfa@rcaolp.co.uk) or Helen (h.jones@rcaol.org.uk)

VIRTUAL ROSARY

Please continue to send in photos of Marian statues or pictures – this resource will continue to live and grow. It is live and there is link will be on the front page of the Liverpool South Pastoral Area website. Do take an opportunity to pray a decade of the rosary along with parishioners and sisters from Carmel, who have recorded the prayers for you to pray with them.

ZOOM EVENTS

We have held guite a few Zooms during lock down would you like more? And if so what?

Praver event

Socials (for a chat & a cuppa or glass of something)

Discussion

Quizzes

Rosary

Younger people

Lectio Divina

Or do you have any ideas?

Do let us know what you'd like to see and if there is enough interest we can set up some groups.

Zoom training is available!

Get in touch with Helen (contact on front of newsletter) or Fr Joe

EVENTS www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk



Sunday Mass - 9:00am Vincent De Paul Church Facebook

Live; 10:00am St Anne and St Bernard's YouTube Channel; 11:00am Met Cathedral Facebook and YouTube Channel;

11:00am St Philip Neri Church Facebook Live and www.cathchap.org.uk Daily Mass – 10:00am: St Anne and St Bernard's YouTube Channel Candle of Hope 8:15 FCJ Centre St Hugh's Facebook Live (live Mon, Wed, Fri) - materials online

Daily Evening Prayer 6:30pm St Vincent's – materials online J& P Annual Assembly- 28, 29 June, 1 July 7:30-8:30 pm; 4 July 10-11am. "See. I am making all things new: our Christian Response to Covid" Limited numbers for Zoom participation.

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Registration: jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk

A PRAYER IN TIME OF DANGER & ILLNESS

God Our Father, each person is precious to You. You are the Giver of life. Have mercy on us and protect us at this time, as the Coronavirus threatens health and life. You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble. Watch over those who are suffering, give strength to those who are aiding the Sick and give courage to all in this time of anxiety. We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Pastoral Associate Update: With the Feast of Ss Peter and Paul celebrated this weekend coinciding with the beginning of the Justice and Peace Annual Assembly, the missionary focus for each of us as Covid-19 eases, is strong. Our Zoom virtual assembly starts with Cardinal Michael from St Vincent's setting our current situation in a profoundly spiritual context. On Monday Diarmuid O'Murchu discusses the context from an eco-justice viewpoint focussing on what we can do via networks and on Wednesday, Christine Allen (CAFOD) looks at the global impact. Andy Burnham (Mayor of Greater Manchester) will join the three speakers for a panel discussion on Saturday 4 July. This is a great opportunity to get informed, to be challenged and to participate in a unique forum in these unprecedented times. You must register for the discussion which include group on Monday and Wednesday at ip.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk. The talks will also be broadcast simultaneously on Facebook and YouTube. The panel webinar will be livestreamed on Facebook. The quote this week was found online. God Bless, Helen

LiverpoolSouth

"Mosaics are made from broken pieces, but they're still a work of art. And so are you."

CHURCHES NOW OPEN FOR PRAYER IN OUR PASTORAL AREA

OLMC – 27 High Street, L8 8DX **Daily** 10am – 1pm (Exposition)

St Francis of Assisi, Garston – (see front of newsletter)

The Cathedral will open from **Wednesday 1 July** daily 12noon – 4pm.

www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk —for newsletters, information and MORE

For those who are sick:



Shillcock, Robert Jost, Pat Toner, Jane Shanley, Vincent Ferns, Gore Davitan, Kathleen Deegan, Keith Garcia, Tracy Hobson, Mary Devaney, Sheila O'Neill, Gerard Murphy, Gerry Simpson, Michael Peter Holmes, Christopher Brown, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Michael Holmes, Josie Malone, Susie Bell, Grace Garnett, Joan Harding, Chris Johnson, Patricia Doyle, Grace Garnett, Ian Lawless.



Those who have recently died: Margaret Romero, Ann Susan Proudfoot.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: John H. Thompson, Gerard Michael Corrigan, Robert Bailey, Maurice Leckie, Dermot M. Moore, Paul Ronald Lloyd, Terry Dimmick, Joan Berryman, Francis Anthony O'Reilly, Mary C. Traynor, Patrick Augustine Byrne, Joe Hassett, Annie Moran, Thomas Daniel Palmer, James Stanley Burke, Joseph Power, Joseph Brian Brophy, Philip McCarthy, Peter Osborne, Winifred Mullen, Marie Nolan, Bernard George McDermott, Paul Lloyd, George Crisp, Anthony Conway, Catherine Chapman, Cecilia

Tryers, Alan Hudson, Terence Donnelly, Marjorie Waring.



BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1.Name three Israelite kings. (Saul, David, Solomon); 2.Who built the ark? (Noah); 3. Who lived in Ur and moved to a country he did not know? (Abraham); 4. How many years of famine did Joseph prophesise to Pharaoh? (seven); 5. Which books come before and after the Luke's Gospel? (The gospels according to Mark and John); 6. What was Jacob's youngest son called? (Benjamin); 7. Where do we first hear about a shepherd? (Abel, 1. Moses 4,2); 8. Which two birds did Noah send out of the ark as messengers? (Raven and dove); 9. Which commander had leprosy? (Naemann);10. Which towns were destroyed by fire and brimstone? (Sodom and Gomorrah):11.Name three of Jesus' disciples whose names begin with J. (Jacob, John and Judas);12. How many people were saved on the ark? (8); 13. Who had a coat made of camel hair and ate locusts and wild honey? (John the Baptist); 14. Which type of animal did Balaam ride? (A donkey);15. What type of tree did Zacchaeus climb? (Mulberry-fig tree)

And a bonus point to all who spotted the "deliberate" (?!) error it was Zacchaeus up the tree not Zachariah! (Thank you to eagle-eyed Michael Cunningham for pointing that out!)

"Prepare the Future" Some words to think about as we begin to emerge from Covid-19 extract taken from www.thecatholicuniverse.com

In a livestreamed meeting with Vatican Media journalists on 9th June, 2020 Cardinal Turkson, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, said the pope's words to "prepare the future" rather than "prepare for the future" are rooted in the teachings of his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI.

The cardinal, who also leads the recently formed commission, recalled Pope Benedict's address during his visit to Benin, in which the now-retired pontiff said that "to hope is to be open to the future and to be open to the future is to be open to God".

"Preparing the future is in that line and the moment you introduce God into the discourse," you also introduce the human person, the cardinal said. "So, preparing the future for Pope Francis, then, is preparing a future that is made up of human beings: you and I."

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH FINANCIALLY ONLINE AND BY STANDING ORDER

In more normal times we rely on the great work of our volunteers who count the collection money and take it to the bank. We're very grateful to them all but in these times of the lockdown they're unable to come into the presbytery to do what they normally do. Also, we are advised not to travel more than we need to. If you would like to support our parish by donating online please visit

https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-wilfridliverpool

To donate by Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office and a form will be sent to you.

Thank you all for your support at this time and always.



The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

offers a full programme of prayer, devotions and liturgy, including Mass. www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream

Resources for Prayer at Home

Ideas for family prayer at home www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com

