



# The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

**Holy Trinity, St Francis of Assisi, St Bernadette, St Austin**

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity			Year A Year 2	Sunday 7th June 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 6th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Nula Carron (RIP)
Sunday 7th June	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</b>			People of the Parish
Monday 8th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Monica Smith (LD)
Tuesday 9th June	<b>Memorial of St. Columba, Bishop</b>			Daniel Klepper (B'day Mem)
Wednesday 10th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Nora & Lenny Widdowson (Ann)
Thursday 11th June	<b>Memorial of St. Barnabas</b>			Special Intention
Friday 12th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time			Joseph Hamblin (LD)
Saturday 13th June	<b>Memorial of St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor</b>			George Cottrell (LD)
Sunday 14th June	<b>Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>			People of the Parish

### Baptism



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....

Jesus said, "Who do men say that I am?"

And his disciples answered and said, "Some say you are John the Baptist returned from the dead; others say Elias, or other of the old prophets." And Jesus answered and said, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said, "Thou art the Logos, existing in the Father as His rationality and then, by an act of His will, being generated, in consideration of the various functions by which God is related to his creation, but only on the fact that Scripture speaks of a Father, and a Son, and a Holy Spirit, each member of the Trinity being coequal with every other member, and each acting inseparably with and interpenetrating every other member, with only an economic subordination within God, but causing no division which would make the substance no longer simple."

And Jesus answering, said, "What?"

I think we can often feel like Jesus in that parody of a famous Gospel scene. Clever fishermen may come up with the right answers to really difficult questions about what we believe but they may not be the answers that we immediately understand nor make us feel like the question, or the answer, has an importance for me. Trying to explain what we want to say about the Trinity can be confusing. But really, what we have to say is very simple. It's expressed beautifully by Saint John Henry Newman: God is three and God is one. God is one. God is Father and Son and Holy Spirit. It's when we start to try to explain how that can be so that things get interesting. In the early centuries of the Church, people sadly came to blows over it. The peace of the Empire was threatened and so ecumenical councils were called to sort it out.

Peace may still be threatened, not least the peace of our hearts amidst this pandemic. But what the really clever people like Newman realised is that what we know about the Trinity really does matter to each of us because of the relationship we are drawn into with this God of relationship, the effects of which we feel in our lives each day. God loved the world so much, proven as he gave us his Son and he gives us the Spirit, the Sanctifier. God wants us to be like him, he made us in his image, and his tremendous love for us for us means that we can be even more like God. God came to the earth as God and man so that we could go to heaven to be wrapped up into the very essence of what it is to be God. It can be complicated. It can be dangerous talk. But really, all we need to talk about is this love of God.

Fr. Joe

### Looking ahead...

As there are moves towards and easing of the 'lockdown', many will be asking when we might get back to church. The truth is we don't know yet and have no dates. What we do know at the moment is that before we get back to celebrating Mass and other liturgies in public our churches will reopen for private prayer, but again we have no dates for when this might happen. The archdiocese does not envisage that all churches will open at the same time. **Any church that does reopen will need a team of volunteers, who are not in the Covid-19 'shielded' category due to health condition or age, to work together before reopening to prepare and get the space ready** (not least to clean the church), and later to help parishioners and visitors use our much-loved and familiar buildings in unfamiliar ways. Volunteers will be given training. There will be new and different procedures in place, such as a separate entrance and exit, to try to ensure that we can pray in our church buildings in a safe way for all. We do look forward to that, though, and I would encourage you all, when we get the chance, to come and take that opportunity to pray in church. We'll let you know as soon as we have any more information and pray that that time will come as soon as we have any more information and pray that that time will come as soon as it's safe and possible.

### WITH YOU ALWAYS

We miss you all—our families would have been celebrating along with our parish community in these weeks, as our parish children received their First Holy Communion.

To support our sacramental preparation families in these times and indeed all families, please visit:

[www.thegodwhospeaks2020.org.uk](http://www.thegodwhospeaks2020.org.uk)

*and keep talking and walking alongside your children.*



### St Wilfrid Care Calls

Working from the parish census of some years ago, we have contacted over 60 parishioners whom St Wilfrid volunteers are calling for a chat. If you would like a call or know someone who would appreciate one, please let Fr Joe know (either email or call/leave a message) with a phone number and name. We are aware some parishioners' details aren't up to date! A massive thankyou to all those making the calls and for the inspiration that has been passed on by those receiving the calls – the volunteers get so much from your positive attitudes and resilience: thank you for your presence and witness to our community here at St Wilfrid's!

### From the Archdiocese: Life in Lockdown

We would like to share what individuals/parishes/families/schools/groups have been doing in this time of lockdown. So much good work has been done over the last few weeks, but it can be easy to not know what is happening even in the next door parish. To help us spread the good news that is happening in the Diocese, and maybe even give you some ideas, we would like either short videos or short sections of text with photos. You can email videos or text directly to Fr Simon Gore (s.gore@animateyouth.co.uk) or Kenny Lawler (k.lawler@rcaol.org.uk) Videos should aim to be no more than 30 seconds. They can be very simple 'selfie' style clips of someone talking about what they have been doing. Text should be around 250 words with photos, if possible. If you are unsure about any of the technical side of recording or sending a video please just email Fr Simon or Kenny and they can talk you through how to do it.



### Bereavement Care

Recently bereaved of St. Wilfrid's are offered the prayerful support of the Legion of Mary.

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like us to support you in prayer.

Prayer Resources: [www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com)  
under Pastoral Resources – Bereavement Care



# Other News & Information with Dates for Your Diary



**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” if you are 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](mailto:sfa@rcaolp.co.uk)) or Helen ([h.jones@rcaol.org.uk](mailto: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.



## REFLECTIONS IN A TIME OF COVID

These are unprecedented times for all of us. How has God spoken to you during this time? How have you found space for prayer? What have you noticed about your relationship with God, or with others? If you have time to write down your thoughts, your experiences, your feelings we'd love to read them and create a collective memory of the parish during this time. They can be in any



format (electronic, handwritten, typed, drawn) and we'll compile them into a booklet once we're together as a memory of this time and how God spoke to us.

## Trinity Afternoon Tea Zoom



Sadly, we can't be together physically, BUT we can meet on Zoom—JOIN US on **Trinity Sunday 7 June at 3pm** for a virtual tea and cake catch up!

Bring your own tea, bring your own cake and Zoom in !

**www.zoom.us**

**Meeting ID: 852 0980 6336**

**Password: TrinityTea**

Never Zoomed? Its not that hard!

Contact the parish office and we'll get you up and running— you need WiFi and a device that is WiFi enabled with a camera.

## 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.

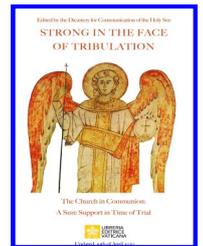
We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

## Strong in the Face of Tribulation

A free eBook has been made available by the Vatican, containing prayers, supplications and homilies from Pope Francis which will help strengthen and support you during this crisis.

“A little help offered to all, so as to know how to discern and experience God's closeness and tenderness in pain, in suffering, in solitude and in fear,”  
*Andrea Tornelli, Editorial Director of Vatican's Dicastery for Communication*

Link on the website or search online for **Strong in the Face of Tribulation**



**Pastoral Associate Update:** You may be aware that part of my role is to work with a diocesan group and as such, I am learning about the Justice and Peace Commission. This year their Annual Assembly will be held virtually in four sessions on the theme "Making All things New - our Christian response to the COVID crisis." Speakers include Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald on 28th June, Diarmuid O'Murchu (MSC) on 29th June, Christine Allen (CAFOD) on 1st July (all at 7:30pm) and a panel discussion/Q+A on 4th July at 10am. The Assembly will also be livestreamed on Facebook and uploaded later on YouTube. More details will follow. It is an opportunity to reflect on our times of upheaval, uncertainty and disquiet and to share ideas as to how we can move forward. Do keep the evenings free if you are interested and should you need help with the Zoom set up, let me know. Questions and comments can be submitted even if you can't participate in the virtual events. In these times of pain and unrest, we do what we can in our own small ways, holding one another in prayer. "Every tear brings the Messiah closer" seems very apt (from Jewish apocalyptic literature). God Bless, Helen

**EVENTS** [www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk) [Facebook](#) [LiverpoolSouth](#)

Live Streams (all links online)

**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 Live and YouTube Channel](#); 11:00am [St Philip Neri Church Facebook Live](#) and [www.cathchap.org.uk](http://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. "Making all things New our Christian Response to Covid"  
Registration details to follow – limited numbers for Zoom participation.

Facebook [jpliverpooljp](#) Twitter [@LiverpoolJandp](#) Web [jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://jp.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)

## For those who are sick:



Elizabeth Loyden, Maria Jones, Siobhan Fennell, Sydney O'Brien, Cynthia Wilcock, Connor Daly, Maxwell Hughes, Luke Reid, Daniel Stranack, Paul Moorhead, Michael Gannon, Adam Pelligrenie, Sally Rattigan, Margaret Green, Sophie McAuley, Catherine Crist, Sandra Cota, Loretta Brown, Sophie Bainbridge, John Ryan, Vanessa Denver, Jean Dolan, Abby Mooney, Jean Long, Sean Armstrong, Joseph Ball, Joan Ball, Linda Barry. Elaine Keane, Mary O'Neill, Maria Winclawski, Tom Kenwright, Greg McCullough, Gerard Doyle, Murial Mitchell, Frances Reid, David Parry, Paul Roberts, John Tallon, Nicholas Cavanagh, Eileen Fowler, Bethany Gaunt, Peter Thomas, Michael Hogan, Margaret Glennon, John Riding, Gerard Hughes, Paul Connor, Chris Doyle, Kenneth 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, Myrtle Rhodes.



### *Those who have recently died :*

Margaret Patricia Hudson, Benny Pollack, Ann O'Reilly, Joseph Hamblin, Ethel Wilson, Patricia Thomas, Rose Foster.

**For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time:** John Byrne, Peter Richard Leckie, Vincent Shea, Alfred Paine, John Kenny, Paul J. Fagan, Eileen Bentley, Florence Joan Lewis, Kevin Beckett, Gerard Stevenson, James M. Gill, Carol Ann Cuthbert, Samuel Collingwood, Martin Loftus, Margaret Grace, Arthur Ferns, Christopher John Wells, Gerard Bernard, Joseph McCann, Patricia Hankinson, Ellen McGovern, Maud O'Brien, Albert Walsh, Gerard Bernard, Mary Walton, Mary North.



From the Catholic Bishop's Conference Website, 3 June 2020

### **Bishops stand in solidarity with US sisters and brothers as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd**

"We stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the USA as they challenge the evil of racism and the brutal killing of George Floyd. As the US Bishops made clear: "we cannot turn a blind eye to these atrocities and yet still try to profess to respect every human life. We serve a God of love, mercy, and justice."

"Systemic racism is embedded in our own society. The disproportionate harm suffered by BAME people throughout the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted profound inequalities, marginalisation and injustice here in the UK. The peaceful Black Lives Matter protests taking place in our towns and cities this week reflect the understandable anger that so many people feel about this.

"As Catholics we recognise that racism is an evil which must be opposed; we all have a responsibility for actively promoting racial justice. Whenever we ignore racism or dismiss BAME people's experience of it, we are complicit in violations of human dignity. We pray for God's help to overcome racism in all its forms and that we might protect everyone who suffers its consequences. We are all made in God's image."

#### **Bishop Declan Lang**

Lead Bishop for International Affairs

#### **Bishop Paul McAleenan**

Lead Bishop for Racial Justice



Pope Francis  
@Pontifex

We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form. At the same time, we have to recognize that violence is self-destructive and self-defeating. Nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost. Let us pray for reconciliation and peace.

10:00 AM · Jun 3, 2020 · TweetDeck

## **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-wilfrid-liverpool>

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](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream)

#### **Resources for Prayer at Home**

Ideas for family prayer at home

[www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com)

