

# 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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| Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time |                                      |                   |                    | Year A  | Sunday 5th July 2020 |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| DAY                                | FEAST                                | LITURGY TIMES     |                    | MASS INTENTION  |                      |
| Saturday<br>4th July               | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          |                   |                    | Joe Brophy (Ann)  |                      |
| Sunday<br>5th July                 | Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time   |                   |                    | People of the Parish  |                      |
| Monday<br>6th July                 | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          |                   |                    | Lucia Stal  |                      |
| Tuesday<br>7th July                | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          |                   |                    | Teague Family   |                      |
| Wednesday<br>8th July              | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          |                   |                    | Sheila Cummins (RIP)  |                      |
| Thursday<br>9th July               | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          | SFA               | 9.30am             | Ben   |                      |
| Friday<br>10th July                | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time          | SFA               | 9.30am             | Tom McCormack   |                      |
| Saturday<br>11th July              | Feast of<br>St. Benedict, Abbot      | <b>SFA</b><br>SFA | <b>10.00am</b> 6pm | Sisters at Carmel<br>Rose Byrne & Broy Hassett (B'day Memorial) |                      |
| Sunday<br>12th July                | Fifteenth Sunday of<br>Ordinary Time | SFA<br>SFA        | 9.30am<br>11.15am  | People of the Parish<br>Parish Volunteers                       |                      |





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....

Human Resources, that department of our archdiocese there at the service of all who labour for us, has been much on my radar this week as we seek to find ways about moving on. Of course, for many people, these months of 'lockdown', 'quarantine', 'isolation', call it what you will, might be associated with a period of quietness and less activity. But for many it has been anything but. We all have cause to be grateful to all those key workers working hard to keep us safe and functioning. In our parish, we've particular cause to be grateful to all the teachers and staff in our schools for working hard for their pupils and their families. More recently, many people have been labouring to clean and prepare our church to welcome visitors and to help those visitors when they come. For so many people, and often on our behalf, this period of lockdown has been a time of hard graft. They might be more than ready to hear Jesus say to us today: "Come to me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will give you rest." How could anyone not be attracted to what Jesus offers us? But how do we help others to see what is on offer to them in the person of Jesus who bids us all, young or old, come to him?

Jesus' life was not painless and free of burdens. But what He does offer us is His invitation to be yoked with Him, to pull our burdens and tasks through life with Him, sharing His yoke, drawing on His strength, and letting Him help us while we help Him accomplish His tasks. Someone also once told me that this yoke that Jesus is talking about, the one that fits on us, is easy because it's tailor-made. It's easy because it fits so well. The Lord doesn't ask of us anything that he doesn't think that we can cope with, at least with his help.

The Jewish people amongst whom Jesus lived suffered a lot. There were the heavy and painful burdens imposed by the Roman occupiers. Their religious leaders imposed even more, presenting them with a huge set of laws, rules and regulations that people strived to meet while also presenting them with a God who could seemingly never be satisfied. Jesus, a Jew, had many burdens but his religion was not one of them. It was a support; His relationship with His Father empowered Him, filling Him with God's Holy Spirit. He knew that His Father was a gentle, caring, and generous Father who loved with a love infinitely greater than any human love. That's the relationship into which we are drawn. It's in that relationship with that God of love that we will find our true rest and consolation.

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. If you are able to come and visit our church you'll see that things are a bit different. 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 Wednesday 9 am – 10.30 am Tuesday and Thursday 4.30 pm – 6 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday morning

#### OUR CHURCH IS DUE TO OPEN FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

We have now received more information about how we can go about reopening our church for the celebration of Mass and other public liturgies. You'll see more information about how we can come to Mass on the front page of the Liverpool South Pastoral Area website, or on a flyer inside a printed newsletter. You'll see that when we are able to come to Mass, everyone attending must wear a face covering. I'm asking from this Sunday, 5th July, for everyone coming to visit our church to pray to wear a face covering. This will help us all get into the habit of bringing one along. You'll see lots of other information there too that applies to every church in the archdiocese that is able to open for Mass. Please bear in mind a few other things particular to our church. Please use our car park and please use the one way system for getting in and out of the car park. Following the change in the social distancing rule that will take place from this weekend, from 2 metres to 1 metre +, the capacity in our church will rise from around 30 to around 50. This is still severely restricted from what we are normally used to. Our volunteers who have helped to welcome people and use our church in new ways will be even more needed as we move into this next phase of reopening, helping people come to church for Mass in new ways too. We are very grateful for all they are doing for us but we do really need some more people to join the team. If you would like to help by being a volunteer steward, please speak to one of the team at church.

**Provided we feel we are ready, we hope to be able to welcome people for the celebration of Mass from Thursday morning.** Please see the front of the newsletter for more details. Also, owing to the severely restricted numbers, it may not be possible to allow all who wish to go to any particular Mass. Please contact the parish office, preferably by email, to let us know which Mass you would like to attend and how many in your household wish to come. Your household is defined as those you live with. They are the only people you will be able to sit next to in church before leaving a gap for others. There may be a possibility that more Masses will be celebrated both on Sunday and through the week but only if we know there are people who wish to attend and, most importantly, we have enough volunteers present to help people coming for Mass. Please bear in mind too that the bishops have not restored the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays.

Wear a face covering in church from Sunday 5 July
Mass to recommence on Thursday 9 July (check website)
More volunteer stewards needed

Email the parish office detailing which Mass you wish to attend and how many will be present Follow the one way systems

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

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.

EVENTS www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk

LiverpoolSouth Live Streams (all links online)

**Sunday Mass** – 9:00am Vincent De Paul Church *Facebook* Live; Sunday 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 (Mo-Fri) 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)

**Daily Evening Prayer 6:30pm** St Vincent's – materials online

# 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 & 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.

## MESSAGE TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

Things are slowly starting to change. Soon it may be possible to come to Mass once again with your families. As those of you who have come to church to pray over the last couple of weeks, church looks quite different and maybe feels a little different too. When we first start coming to Mass again, that will be different. Unfortunately, it will be possible for children to go to Little Church to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word together there. We are also not able to sing at Mass.

Unfortunately, Archbishop Malcolm is not allowing altar servers or readers to come onto the sanctuary to do what they normally do and exercise their ministries. We hope that this will not last too long. We want you to know how much everybody in our parish values all that you do for us. People will see that without your help our celebration of Mass is not as joyful and as meaningful as it should

be. But we are doing it like this for the time being to stay safe. We pray that you will all be serving, singing and proclaiming God's word (and going to Little Church) as soon as possible.



Pastoral Associate Update: As the J&P Annual Assembly draws to a close, we are struck by the words of Pope Francis yet again "Prepare the Future" and as our churches are opening for Mass we cautiously re-enter a world we were so familiar with and yet now may seem somewhat shocking and strange. A video with "what to expect" is on our website to help us. Online missals might be an idea to have for Mass – the Universalis app can be downloaded for your phone (free trial for a month). This week keep an eye on Synod news. Now, more than ever, our experiences during the pandemic may give us an opportunity to create the church that God is calling us to be in a very different way. The Synod proposals portal will remain open until 1 September (www.synod2020.co.uk) Do reflect and share your thoughts if you can. As many of us are now used to virtual meetings, it may also be an opportunity to come together and share our own journeys with one another: watch this space! God Bless, Helen

> "Not all storms come to disrupt your life, some come to clear your path." sent to me this week.

Mass in Church: Please check individual newsletters for details of Mass times. At time of writing I can confirm that OLMC, St Anne's, St Francis Assisi St Vincent's, are opening this week (but please check all parish newsletters for days of opening and Mass times). St Anthony of Padua is hoping to open for private prayer and will be open for Mass on Monday 20 July.

**Private Prayer in our Pastoral Area** (please check newsletter)

The Cathedral: daily 12noon – 4pm; OLMC: Th 12noon – 5pm (Exposition);

St Francis of Assisi: Mon – Wed 9 – 10:30am, Tu & Th 4:30 – 6pm St Anthony of Padua: check newsletter

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

## For those who are sick:

Elizabeth Loyden, Maria Jones, Siobhan Fennell, Sydney O'Brien, Cynthia Wilcock, Connor Daly, Maxwell Hughes, Luke Reid, Daniel Stranack, 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, 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, Grace Garnett.



**Those who have recently died**: Ann Susan Proudfoot.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Francis Palmer (Snr), Frances Flatley, Thomas Patrick Templeton, Helen Moran, Frank Carney, Julie Clark, Robert Holt, Margaret O'Brian, George Ginner, Gerard Dignan, Tommy Coward, Joseph Smith, Sheila Cummings, Dolores Kingsbury, Michelle Catherine Jones, Tommy Joseph McLoughlin, William John Bignell, Rev. John Phelan, John William Moure, Mary Ann Jones, Christopher John Wells, Stella Pinches, Julie Clark, Patricia Mary Hawley, Margaret Hughes, Molly Hughes,

Ellen Jevons, Ann Keen, Stella Pinches, Jane Massey, Cyril Shanahan, Mary Louise Pye.



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** 

# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention **July 2020**

Let us pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance, and especially, that they may be protected by the State.



# 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



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