

The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter

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





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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time				Year A	Sunday 12th July 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 11th July	Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Sisters at Carmel Rose Byrne & Broy Hassett (B'day Memorial)	
Sunday 12th July	Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Parish Volunteers	
Monday 13th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Special Intention	
Tuesday 14th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Leslie Thacker (LD)	
Wednesday 15th July	Memorial of St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor	SFA	9.30am	Joan Anderson RIP	
Thursday 16th July	Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel	SFA	9.30am	Norma Davitt (Ann)	
Friday 17th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Arthur Campbell (RIP)	
Saturday 18th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund Agnes Flynn (B'day)	
Sunday 19th July	Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Pat Halewood (RIP) People of the 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....

Eight years ago tomorrow (Monday) rain seemed like a very constant and very perceptible presence to those who gathered for an ordination Mass in Waterloo. As pesky as that rain was on that day, it's been a reminder to me from then on of God's constant and perceptible presence in my life and ministry. There is a constant presence and work of God in our lives, though we often have difficulty recognizing it or perceiving its presence. In faith we know we're not the sole authors of our actions; our free decisions and actions are really a response, positive or negative, to God's initiative of love. Traditional theology distinguishes between sanctifying grace (the permanent presence of the Holy Trinity within the person who freely accepts and maintains himself or herself open to it) and actual grace (the particular instances in which the person is moved, in freedom, towards God). We shouldn't think of grace as mere ointment for the soul. Grace isn't a laser zap or a bolt of lightning. God himself surrounds us with his Presence and his creation, excites and moves us. We experience his presence and personal approach to us in what we call grace. And what about those times when we might feel far from God's presence, far even from that personal call issued to us to be with God? Any misunderstanding by the world of suffering in the world may in part be due to an idea of earthly life as our only possession, to be preserved at any cost. Our faith leads us to a new and different understanding. Saint Paul reminds us, in writing to the Romans in our second reading today, that suffering is not only inevitable, but necessary. It's a process of transformation, the integral development of a person through a process of opening up to the presence of God and to others. We all necessarily undergo this process, though the harvest of its effects depends on our cooperation.

So do we cooperate with God's grace or not? Is it we who change or is it God? Is it God who is unfaithful to us or is it we who are the unfaithful ones? There is a constant and effective action on God's part that sustains and moves all things towards a purpose. There is God's constant action in our lives. There is something that is unfolding before us and present to our spirit. Jesus' parables, like the ones we hear today, often will do this sort of penetrating the spirit. They speak of things we often speak of ourselves, like the weather! Rain may come and go. Ordination days may come to pass and then be remembered. The action of grace does not, however, stop in our lives. Whether we always realise it or not, God really is always with us.

Fr Joe

OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

It's been really good to be able to welcome people back to church for the celebration of Mass once again. As everyone will see however, things are by no means back to normal. We're not back to how things were back in March. Please 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 come to Mass, everyone attending must wear a face covering. 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. The capacity of our church is now around 50. This is severely restricted from what we are normally used to. We are so very grateful to all our volunteers who have helped to welcome people and use our church in new ways and are now even more needed helping people come to church for Mass in new ways too. Please do consider if you could join the team of volunteers. If you would like to help by being a volunteer steward, please speak to one of the team at church.

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. For Masses Monday to Friday, please contact us at least 2 days before the Mass you wish to attend. For all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, please contact us by 6 pm on Wednesday. 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. The doors to church will open half an hour before Mass is due to begin. This should give an opportunity for some time for private prayer, but it is also intended to prevent there being too much queuing as people enter and wait to be seated by the stewards. Please try to be seated at least 5 minutes before Mass is due to begin. 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 come and we have enough volunteers to help.

In brief:

Wear a face covering in church.

More volunteer stewards needed.

Email the parish office in good time detailing which Mass you wish to attend and how many people will be present with you.

Please try to avoid the need to queue to enter church and try to arrive in good time. 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 <u>www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk</u>

LiverpoolSouth Live Streams (all links online)

Sunday Mass – 9:00am <u>Vincent De Paul Church</u> <u>Facebook</u> Live; Sunday 10:00am <u>St Anne and St Bernard's</u> <u>YouTube</u> Channel; 11:00am <u>Met Cathedral</u> <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u> Channel; 11:00am St Philip Neri Church <u>Facebook</u>

Live and <u>www.cathchap.org.uk</u>

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:

It's been a quiet few days as I've taken some time out to recuperate from intensive zooming over the last weeks. As churches cautiously begin to open their doors for Mass, do take care to read the **guidelines** (available on the website) before you come to Mass and **check newsletters** for up to date information as the usual times may have been altered to enable cleaning to take place. Please note there is still no Sunday obligation and if you can attend Mass during the week, this may help keep numbers manageable on Sundays. You may need to contact the parish ahead of time to let them know of your intention to attend – again check the newsletters. If you haven't yet accessed the Archdiocesan Resources online that now includes an audio version of their Sunday reflections, I can highly commend them to you. www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/sunday-reflections "The world is changed by your example not by your opinion" Paulo Coehlo. God Bless, Helen

All information online at www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk Facebook LiverpoolSouth

Mass in Church: <u>Please check individual newsletters for details of Mass times</u>. All churches, including the Cathedral are open for Mass in some capacity other than St Anthony of Padua which may open for private prayer and will be open for Mass from Monday 20 July. I have updated Sunday Mass times on the website. **Private Prayer** Cathedral 12 – 4pm daily, St Anthony of Padua and OLMC check newsletter.

Please Note—the car park at the back of church will be closed from Monday to Friday this week due to the removal of the temporary Nursery buildings.

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.

Michael Jones, Mary Ware.



Those who have recently died: Leslie Thacker.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: James Edward Hunter, Irene McCann, Mary Dignan, John F. Ross, George Donald Smith, Anthony Bell, Violet Cokersal, Joseph J. Martin, Sarah Riordon, Elizabeth (Lily) Monaghan, Sarah McNamara, Frank Anderson, William Jones, Hetty Rylands, Babs Keogh, Kathleen Howard, Michael Millea, Frank Grue, Lawrence Whitehead, Eric Handley, Veronica Slack, Geraldine Smith, Carol Lomas,



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.

AMFN

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

