



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time			Year A Year 2	Sunday 26th July 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 25th July	Feast of St. James, Apostle	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Tom Harding People of the Parish
Sunday 26th July	Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Peter Lambert Herbert Jones
Monday 27th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Ann Nicholson (Birthday Anniversary)
Tuesday 28th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Fr. Edmund Ryden SJ—Anniversary of Ordination
Wednesday 29th July	Memorial of St. Martha	SFA	9.30am	Rita Robinson (Birthday)
Thursday 30th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Michael O'Reilly
Friday 31st July	Memorial of St. Ignatius Loyola, Priest	SFA	9.30am	Moira McIntyre (RIP)
Saturday 1st August	Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Intentions of Yolanda Byrne Vinnie Ogg (Anniversary)
Sunday 2nd August	Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish John David Green (Birthday Remembrance)

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....

I think it's permissible to be getting a bit fed up with parables now. For the past two weeks we've heard Jesus teaching in parables and very little else. We've heard of the mustard seed, the sower (with different types of soil), the weeds among the wheat, and the leaven. The roots of the parable as a literary form lie in the Old Testament, particularly in the wisdom literature, and also in rabbinical literature (some two thousand have been counted). The fictitious anecdote leads the listener to concede a point that he or she does not immediately recognize as pertaining to himself or herself. The story also sharpens the curiosity and attracts attention. The rabbinical parables are told in answer to a question and show that the scope of the answer is broader than the one who asked the question perceived. These purposes may all be seen too in the parables of Jesus. Today we complete Jesus' telling of parables in Chapter 13 of Saint Matthew's Gospel with the parables of the Hidden Treasure, the Pearl, and the Net.

So the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again. Have you wondered how the treasure got there? In the ancient world there was always the danger of invasion or plundering. Many householders buried their savings in the hope of returning after the danger had passed. Some didn't return. And remember too that books in slightly later days, days we might call the Middle Ages, those things we might now in our days stuff into our holiday suitcases or load onto a *Kindle*, they were treasures then too along with the gold and silver, things to be hidden away from invading marauders. They were the keys to passing on the stories that had value. Whether we're fed up with them or not, these parables of Jesus were his ways of passing on to us stories of value, the keys needed in order to enter into his kingdom and find the treasure of life with God.

That's the sort of treasure we are called to pursue and at any cost too. In our first reading, we hear of a man of the Old Testament well associated with riches and treasures: King Solomon. Now he could have been associated with all the usual trappings of wealth and treasure attached to royalty but instead he asks the Lord for a treasure of infinitely greater worth: wisdom. How we all need that treasure! How we all need to grow and gain the right experiences in life! But are they treasures to be hoarded to ourselves? What are the experiences and wisdom that we pass on? What are the values that we pass on?

Fr Joe

OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

It's been really good to be able to welcome even more 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. Do take a copy of the *Saint Paul Sunday Missal* if you haven't already, but hold onto it and keep on bringing it with you to Sunday Mass. Do not leave it behind on the bench or replace it on the shelf. 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 summary

Wear a face covering in church

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 by arriving in good time.

Follow the one way systems

MORE VOLUNTEER STEWARDS NEEDED

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!



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” 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@rcaolp.org.uk)

VIRTUAL ROSARY

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.



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

The summer holidays have begun. But these are probably not going to be summer holidays like normal. Like everything else, it seems, things are not back to normal yet this year and the same is true about coming to church. Some of you have seen this already by coming with your families. It’s been great to see you and we look forward to

seeing more of you again over these coming weeks, even if you can’t do all that you’d like to do during Mass.



Unfortunately, Archbishop Malcolm is not allowing altar servers 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. Let’s also pray for all those children who have been waiting patiently after working hard with their parents this year and will receive Holy Communion for the first time soon.

LIVE STREAMS (all links online)

www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk



LiverpoolSouth

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

Daily Mass (Mo-Fri) 10:00am: St Anne and St

Bernard’s YouTube Channel

OTHER

Daily Evening Prayer 6:30pm St Vincent’s

Pastoral Associate Update: As people begin to venture out more, the new “normal” is perhaps less unfamiliar. The key hooks by my front door have been requisitioned for masks and hand gel containers – new essentials to take out and about in addition to keys and mobile phones. With missals perhaps not being as easily available for Mass, another new normal could be trying Universalis instead, a smartphone/tablet app (universalis.com). Including the day’s Mass readings combining with the order of Mass, daily office, Rosary, Lectio Divina for our own Archdiocese, and options for other dioceses (worldwide and in multiple languages), it is a worthwhile one off £10 cost. You can adjust text size and brightness to suit the occasion and don’t need an internet connection to use it in church. I am traveling south next week to visit my mother – the first time since lockdown – your prayers would be most welcome.

Keep safe and well, **God Bless, Helen**

“In life, it’s not where you go, it’s who you travel with.”

Charles M Schultz

Please check newsletters for all Church Mass times – some have changed so do confirm the times and protocol before you decide to attend.

Synod Reflection deadline: 1st September at www.synod2020.co.uk

Sunday Gospel Reflections: www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/sunday-reflections-readings

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, 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.



Those who have recently died: Chris Johnson



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Dorothy Feery, Arthur Hill, John Jones, Gerald Hughes, Margaret Mary Hodson, Lian McGuigan, Margaret Hendrick, Geraldine Ann Davies, Mary Clare Burns, Patrick Anthony Keane, Jacqueline Adams, Ann Ashcroft, Irene Doran, Dominic Tosh, Gerry Loftus, Elizabeth Clark, Ann Gillespie, Daniel Murphy, Edie Hankey, Geraldine Ann Davies, James Wood, Bill Quinn, Tony Davis, Margaret Crean, Norah Donovan, Mary Beckett, Joan Fox, Thomas Mooney, Joan Dailey, Margaret Murzyn, Helen Greal, David Loughney.

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

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-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

Resources for Prayer at Home

Ideas for family prayer at home
www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com

