



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter

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

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StWilfridGarston



Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time			Year A Year 2	Sunday 30th August 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 29th August	Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Rosa (Birthday) People of the Parish
Sunday 30th August	Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Agnes Lalor (Anniversary) John and Kevin Cook (Ann)
Monday 31st August	Memorial of Saint Aidan, Bishop	SFA	10.00am	Miriam Molto (LD)
Tuesday 1st September	Memorial of Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs	SFA	9.30am	Mr & Mrs Higham and Peter Higham (RIP)
Wednesday 2nd September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Lyn South (Birthday Mem)
Thursday 3rd September	Feast of St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor	SFA	9.30am	Blanka Tawarit (Ann)
Friday 4th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word
Saturday 5th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Geoff and Terry Bremble (Get well) James and Agnes Flynn
Sunday 6th September	Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Mark Holland (Birthday) People of the Parish

Baptism



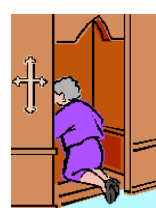
Refer to Parish Newsletter for future updates
0151 427 4015

Weddings



By Appointment with the Parish Priest.
0151 427 4015

Sacrament of Reconciliation Confessions



Refer to notice inside Newsletter

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....

We're in a little mini-season of good, Northern saints. They include the great saints we might travel up to Durham or Northumberland to remember and celebrate, like Cuthbert and Aidan, but there are too the great saints that are martyrs and belong to a different time when there was a lot of suffering for faithful Catholics in this land. Saints like Edmund Arrowsmith, Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward are good examples for us not just because of their deaths, for which they're rightly given the title 'martyrs', but also because of their lives. With the great love for others that they showed came suffering too. Suffering doesn't surprise us; it's a necessary and valuable part of our earthly lives. All Christians are our brothers and sisters, and we come together on our first day of the week to continue to offer with Jesus his sacrifice of suffering for the salvation for all.

Saint Matthew's Gospel tells us that suffering is an integral part of the earthly experience of God's life. Jesus forewarns his disciples of his coming clash with the elders and the chief priests, and of his death and Resurrection. It's easily imaginable how disconcerted his disciples would have been. Peter even rebukes Jesus: a suffering Messiah is beyond his comprehension. Jesus makes the condition for being Christian clear: taking up the cross every day. (Again it's not just to the day of their execution that we look with the martyrs; it's to their whole lives.) Jesus then contrasts those who seek God's Kingdom with those who dedicate themselves to other purposes. He suggests that even possessing the whole world would pale in comparison to possessing the Kingdom.

The prophet Jeremiah laments bitterly to the Lord about his task. He's become an object of derision and scorn, and all because the Lord deceived him into this task. This is an amazingly honest confession of the hard times to be faced by those faithful to God. Who knows? Maybe those martyrs had their Jeremiah moments asking, "Why me?" I know others today may well be entitled to them too. But at the same time, Jeremiah seems to find within himself an urge to go on, almost in spite of himself. God's message is "like a fire burning in my heart," he says. Maybe that's the message we too might need to hear for we too can have our Jeremiah moments feeling like we want to complain to the Lord about all that he's given us to do in our everyday lives and in our lives as disciples. The same reward, however, that Jesus promised his apostles is on offer to us as well: life with him in his kingdom of love.

Fr Joe



We pray for Lucas John Booth and also Patrick Thomas Cattermole and Niamh Rose Cattermole who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

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. The number of people coming to church for Mass has steadily increased over these last few weeks. 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. Please let us know you are coming as indicated above. ***The more we are aware of who is coming in advance, the better we can place people in church safely and ensure as many people can be seated as possible.***

In summary

To avoid disappointment, book your place in plenty of time especially for weekend Masses which book up quickly. If you have booked and cannot attend, please let the office know asap as some people are not turning up for Masses after previously booking.

Wear a face covering in church at all times.

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.



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@rcaol.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.



LIVE STREAMS (all links online)

 www.liverpooolsouthpastoralarea.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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Taking into account all that we need to do for the safe celebration of this sacrament, including the need for good ventilation in the room in which it happens, **there are now regular opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Parish Meeting Rooms. These times will be the usual Saturday afternoon slot before the evening Mass, 5.15 p.m. to 5.45 p.m., and in addition Wednesday morning before Mass, 8.45 a.m. to 9.15 a.m.** Please do follow the instructions you’ll find as you arrive at the Meeting Rooms at these times and make use of these opportunities to receive and celebrate God’s love, mercy and forgiveness.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Since church has reopened for Mass and other liturgies, it has also been a joy to see a number of children baptised. The parents of these children attended their preparation before April and have waited a long time but, as with everything else at the moment, these celebrations have been restricted in some ways. **At this time, only the parents, godparents, grandparents and siblings of the child being baptised may attend the celebration in our church.**

It is now possible to begin again offering preparation for parents who have a child to be baptised but in different ways. If you have a child to be baptised, please contact the office and the details of this preparation can be explained to you.

MESSAGE TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH



Good News! We are now allowed to have altar servers and readers back exercising their ministry on the sanctuary during Mass.

Things are not quite back to normal, however. If you would like to serve or to read please see Fr Joe or Deacon Paul and then Paul and Chris will help you to see how it is we are doing things at the moment. It will be great to see you back! We look forward too to when its possible to have singing once again in church and for children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word together in Little Church once more.

Pastoral Associate Update:

As we enjoy the final bank holiday of the year perhaps we also have an opportunity to reflect on the months we have spent in this peculiar time of lock down. Some of us may have spent more time in our gardens or taken time to enjoy the outdoors, reconnecting with the natural world around us. Tuesday 1 September is the Day of Special Prayer for Creation, and now more than ever, it is a chance for each of us to reevaluate our individual relationship with our environment locally and globally. It is many people doing small things that will make a big change. A selection of Creation Time resources are on the website including a copy of Pope Francis’ encyclical: *Laudato Si*. “The earth is our environment to protect and the garden to tend to” Pope Francis. God Bless, Helen

Church Mass times

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

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, Patricia Doyle, Stephen Skillicorn.



Those who have recently died:

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Gary Jackson, Agnes Flynn, Margaret Hctor, May Howard, Rose Burke, James Flynn, Carol Ann Woods, Marion Whittaker, S. Whitehead, Marjorie Kent, Susan Veronica Linden, Carrie Lord, John William Redmond, Larry Quirk, Janice Ann Parry, Patricia Tarty, Patrick Healey, Fr. Gerald Hughes OSB, David Lowe, John Langton, Frankie Tarabeia, Kirsten Kiser, Christine Lathom.



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

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH FINANCIALLY ONLINE AND BY STANDING ORDER

While we are still not back to normal it is very helpful if those who can would contribute to the parish by means other than cash or cheques. The Archdiocese of Liverpool has provided a way of contributing to the parish online. If you would like to do that 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.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention September 2020

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the Planet's resources will
not be plundered, but shared

In a just and respectful manner.



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

