



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year A Year 2	Sunday 25th October 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 24th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Thanks for Our Lady's prayers People of the Parish	
Sunday 25th October	Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Sara Hughes and family Broy Hassett	
Monday 26th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	George Maines RIP	
Tuesday 27th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Michael Gibbons	
Wednesday 28th October	Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles	SFA	9.30am	Special Intention	
Thursday 29th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Michael Joseph Glennon (RIP Anniversary)	
Friday 30th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 31st October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Joe Gonsalves Molly Byrne	
Sunday 1st November	Solemnity of All Saints	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Tony Mulholland (RIP)	

Baptism

Refer to Parish Newsletter for future updates

Weddings

By Appointment with the Parish Priest.
0151 427 4015

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confessions**

In the parish meeting rooms

Wednesday 8.45 am – 9.15 am
Saturday 5.15 pm - 5.45 pm

**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....

“Free, fair and impartial”: that was once how a journalist tried to defend his news organisation against accusations of being other at a White House press conference once. While all those claims might seem laudable and what you want in an agency relied upon for the news, we find that the last descriptor, ‘impartial’ cannot always apply to the Church. That’s what even more than 2000 years of history and tradition have taught us. Sometimes we have to take a stand and be on a side. It’s on the side of the poor that our Tradition, one which we share with our Jewish brothers and sisters, leads us to be. More recently we’ve come to know that choice as the preferential option for the poor and our readings today remind us of why we find ourselves in this position.

The Gospel today really says it’s about practicalities. It’s about what we do as much as what we say and think. Jesus reminds the Pharisees that the central commandment of the Jewish and Christian faith is the love of God. This love implies not merely the notional assent to the truths of faith, but the real, conscious, wholehearted response that makes God the chief motivation and reason in life. There’s implied a certain human experience of God (for how could we love a God whom we do not know?) and it’s the discernment and assimilation of this experience that is to ground and shape our lives. The second and third commandments remind us of the challenges we face when considering this sacred love of God.

One of the principal documents of the Second Vatican Council, *Gaudium et spes*, spoke of the danger of a practical apostasy of the faith, that is, the merely nominal following of the Christian faith without it’s having any real consequences in our daily lives. How lukewarm are we, the Council Fathers might ask, to seeing the importance of our faith in our everyday lives? We can even mislead ourselves into accommodating the Christian faith as an ‘add-on’ to the really more important concerns and interests of my life. There is, perhaps, enough religion in my life to calm my conscience, but not enough to take root in my heart and mind as a consuming fire. How is one to awaken and renew one’s Christian faith, ‘to crave it with all one’s heart’? Our actions in life should reflect what’s going on inside us, in our hearts, and the same is true the other way round: our actions should be motivated by hearts attuned to and responsive to love. This, then, is the way we can follow the Lord’s command to love. This, then, is the way to find real freedom and a fairness that is just and grounded in our Tradition.

Fr Joe



***We pray for Jake Anthony Judge who is being Baptised in our Parish this weekend
Please keep him and his family in your prayers.***

ST FRANCIS IS OPEN FOR MASS!

It’s been really good to be able to welcome more people back to church for the celebration of Mass with numbers steadily increasing. However, things are by no means back to normal—we’re not back to how things were back in March. For more information about how we can come to Mass, see the front page of the Liverpool South Pastoral Area website. Everyone attending Mass 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 follow the one way system for getting in and out of the car park. The capacity of our church is now about 50. This is severely restricted from normal. We are 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 by helping people come to church for Mass in new ways too. ***Please do consider joining the volunteer team. If you would like to help stewarding, 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 attend, to go to the Mass of their choice. ***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 - 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 6pm on Wednesday.*** Your household is defined as those you live with. These are the only people you will be able to sit next to in church before leaving a gap for others.

The church doors will open half an hour before Mass giving time for private prayer, and preventing queues as people enter and wait to be seated by the stewards. Please be seated at least 5 minutes before Mass.

Do take a copy of the *Saint Paul Sunday Missal* if you haven't already, but keep it to bring to Sunday Mass. Do not leave it behind or place it on the shelf. There may be a possibility that more Masses will be celebrated on Sundays and through the week if we know there is a demand and we have enough volunteers. ***The more we are aware of who is coming, the better we can place people in church safely and ensure as many can be seated as possible.***

Book your place in early especially for weekend Masses which fill up quickly.

If you book and cannot attend, please let the office know asap so others can be accommodated.

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

Wear a face covering in church at all times.

Please avoid the queue to enter church by arriving in good time.

Follow the one way systems.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!



Other News & Information with Dates for Your Diary

SOCIAL MEDIA



Find us on Facebook! Do have a look at our page. It's buzzing at the moment! Let us know what you want to see on it. Facebook ID is **StWilfridGarston** – do "like us" on Facebook

Social Media Volunteers: we are delighted that since Amy Hayes has started to look after our Facebook page, we are receiving a significant increase in hits and likes on our Facebook page, so please keep it up and also share with your friends. You can contact Amy through our Facebook page on **StWilfridGarston**.

We continue to keep connected in this time of COVID and welcome all ideas to stay in touch as we can continue on our Faith journey together. We have the Novena coming up (below) and as Advent and Christmas aren't far away, perhaps you have some ideas that we can share to keep us connected and praying together as one loving community.

Helen

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

As we are not able to easily come together at the moment we will be planning a Zoom Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on Tuesday evenings at **7pm** starting on **Tuesday 27 October**, every week until **Tuesday 22 December**. Please send in any petitions to the parish office.

If you would like to be involved please let Helen know h.jones@rcaol.org.uk/0744 9633977– we need readers! We will be live streaming to YouTube so you can pray with us on the night through Zoom **or on your landline/mobile phone on Zoom** or via YouTube or watch at a later date.

Zoom details: www.zoom.us/join **Meeting ID: 874 0155 0372**
Passcode: 601897. For phone only connection (landline or mobile) call **one** of these numbers and follow the instructions: 0203 481 5240/ 0203 901 7895/0131 460 1196. Copies of the Novena will be available online from Monday. YouTube access via link on the website:



*O Mother of Perpetual Help, Sweetest Mary,
I ask you with your divine grace to watch over me,
give me the strength to take one day at a time.*

Synod 2020

A summary of the theme proposals is now available to download from:

<https://synod2020.co.uk/proposals>

(If you are not able to access the internet and would like a paper copy of these proposals please ring the parish office and leave your details and we will make sure you receive a copy.)

Over the next few weeks we will be holding zoom meetings to discern which 5 proposals and 2 affirmations from each theme we, as a parish, would like to be taken to the next stage. There will also be other ways that people can get involved in the discerning process, please look out for these opportunities over the coming weeks, all will be advertised in advance in the newsletter.

It is really important that you contribute to this process so that the final proposals taken forward represent the needs and wishes for our parish of the future.

TEST & TRACE



In order to support the NHS Test and Trace programme, we are taking contact details (name, contact number and address) for all visitors, as well as recording times entering and leaving the church of St Francis of Assisi, Garston in the Parish of St Wilfrid. If you have downloaded the NHS Test & Trace App on your smart phone you can scan the **QR code** instead which is displayed in church.

In line with guidance issued by the Department for Health and Social Care, we will keep your details safely and in compliance with GDPR legislation for 21 days before securely disposing of or deleting them. We will only share your details with NHS Test and Trace, if asked, in the event that it is needed to help stop the spread of coronavirus. We will not use your details for any other purposes or pass them on to anyone else. If you book Mass via email, you will be sent a form for completion. If you book Mass via telephone, the form will be left at the back of Church for you in an envelope for you to complete and return to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your understanding.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Since church has reopened for Mass and other sacraments, it has also been a joy to see a number of children baptised. As with everything else currently, these celebrations have been restricted in some ways. **Following recent clarification from the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales, only the child to be baptised, parents and godparents - a maximum of 6 people (including the child to be baptised) - may attend the celebration.**

It is now possible to offer preparation for parents who have a child to be baptised but in different ways to "normal". If you wish to have your child baptised please contact the office.



We thank all those who have kept our parish going in these difficult times and continue to do so. It is our love and care for one other that makes St Wilfrid's such a special community. We thank especially the members of our Saint Vincent de Paul group who continue to work with some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

**We are low on food to distribute to the needy,
if you can donate, please bring all food to the Parish Office.
Thank you for your continued generosity.**

Pastoral Associate Update

It was a great supportive boost to meet up online with other Synod members this week – the task we have as an Archdiocese is a challenge for each one of us and although there is a lot of information to digest, I do hope you will take the time to access the proposals and read them – copies are on the synod website: synod2020.co.uk or contact your synod member. Parishes will be letting you know how to feed back in the coming weeks. An opportunity to spend time in prayer together, led from St Wilfrid's, is a Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour starting on Tuesday at 7pm, weekly for 9 weeks. It is on zoom BUT you can join on your landline or mobile – by calling an access number and keying in the Meeting ID. You will be able to be part of the prayer in real time with others. Details are given in the events information. *"Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope."* Maya Angelou. Keep safe, God Bless, Helen

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, Amanda Melia.



Those who have recently died: Janet Bray.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: William McLeod, John Buggy, Tommy Kilgallon, Cathleen



Craven, Vera Burke, Kenneth Charles Glynn, Edward Richardson, Michael Walsh, Margaret McCulla, William Smith, Michael McCormack, Broy Hassett, John Gregg, Michael Joseph Glennon, Canon Wareing, Paula Luszniak, Edith Elizabeth Malone, Graham Stanley Waters, Sheila Abbott, James Dunn, Tommy Molyneux, Cyril Stanley Martin, Elizabeth Clarke, Barbara Dewhurst, Sarah Combyrne, Caesar Rangel, Jessica Williams, Laurence Bujang, Libby Hawtin, Sarah Merrutia, Stanley Bird, James Connell, George Howard, Mary Griffiths, Imelda Van De Waal, Edwin McCann

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH FINANCIALLY ONLINE AND BY STANDING ORDER

Whilst we are still not back to normal, it is very helpful if those who are able, could contribute to the parish by means other than cash or cheques.

The Archdiocese of Liverpool has provided a way of contributing online.

If you would like to contribute in this way 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.

www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk

Livestream Mass:

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 and YouTube Channel;

Daily Mass (Mo-Fri) 10:00am: St Anne and St Bernard's, YouTube Channel

Sunday Gospel Reflections:

www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/sunday-reflections-readings

Christ is Alive Zoom Retreat:

with the Ireneus Project: Tuesdays - 20, 27 Oct & 3 Nov 7-8.30pm. Book with Jenny at jenny@irenaeus.co.uk for the link.

Fratelli Tutti Reading Group:

on Zoom with the FCJs in Wavertree. Fridays at 4pm. For more details and the link email fcjcentresthughs@gmail.com

Diploma/Certificate in Pastoral Ministry & Leadership: Free info sessions - Tue 27 Oct 10:30am – 12 noon; Thu 29 Oct, Wed 4 Nov, Tues 17 Nov at 7 – 8:30pm; Sat 7 Nov 2-3:30pm. Details and Zoom link



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention October 2020

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.



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

