



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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Solemnity of All Saints				Year A Year 2	Sunday 1st November 2020
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
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)	
Monday 2nd November	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed	SFA	9.30am	Pious Lists	
Tuesday 3rd November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Tom Harding (RIP Birthday)	
Wednesday 4th November	Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop	SFA	9.30am	Mary Hilton (Get well)	
Thursday 5th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Alma Gaskill (LD)	
Friday 6th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 7th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6pm	Pious List Kath Silken (Get well)	
Sunday 8th November	Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Marie Friery (Get well) People of the Parish	

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....

Destination: heaven. If Baptism were a train that's what it would say on the dot matrix indicator. At least, that's the intention. In heaven, we will know the profound impact thousands of hidden saints had on our lives, but here on earth most of the saints move about and work among us, and do so for the most part unnoticed and unseen. The work of the Saints is not completed with their deaths. The saints know better than most Christians that life here in this world is not merely an end in itself, but a means by which God prepares us for a greater and more important mission in heaven. No one in Heaven is idle. Heaven is not a place of indifference to this world but one of interaction and intercession. This means that the saints continue their mission as disciples of the Lord Jesus, supporting and sustaining the Church, acting to help and support all the baptized.

The Book of Revelation is a theological commentary on events from the past, present and future and it communicates important spiritual insights through fantastic images and symbols. Most say that the Book of Revelation is about the end of the world, and as such people are often terrified by its content. But, properly understood, the Book of Revelation is not simply frightening, but reassuring as it foresees the victory of God in Christ over all the dark powers, worldly and otherworldly that oppose him. So it was reassuring for those churches for whom Saint John first wrote it and how we need it today with all the ghoulish nonsense of Halloween when the dark powers seem to be celebrated. The Book of Revelation is not simply about the end of the world, but the beginning of a new world in which the great enemies of God, and therefore the enemies of humanity are defeated by the power of God in Christ. These enemies are sin, death and the devil.

What we hear about is a vast assembly of people from all over the world, clothed in white, who proclaim the coming victory of God in Christ. These are the Christians whose heroism was revealed in their willingness to be killed rather than renounce their Christian faith or cooperate with the dark powers. On this day it would be good for us to remember that what is demanded of us as followers of Jesus is often times far less than what is demanded of others. We may not be compelled by circumstances to die for our faith in Christ, but are we willing to live for it? If our sacrifice is not to be that of a martyr, what is the sacrifice we will offer? How is it we will be the saint we were called to be when we were baptised?

Fr Joe



We pray for all those who have been Baptised in our Parish.

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



Month of the Holy Souls

Please send in any names of loved ones who have died which you wish to add to our parish Pious Lists. Please write their names on a sheet of paper (a sheet for this which you may wish to use is available on the Pastoral Area website) and place that in an envelope, with any donation you may wish to give, and pass that into the Parish Office. Masses will be offered throughout this month of November when we pray particularly for the Holy Souls for all those remembered on the Pious Lists.

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.

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.



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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

We start our journey towards Advent in the company of Saints and all those who have gone before us, and we take time to remember in these autumnal days. I will be lighting a candle for my father this month - he has been gone for 13 years now, but his love remains a solid legacy. There are some new resources available on the Archdiocesan website including bereavement support as well as details on Armchair Retreats. As a Pastoral Area it would be lovely to be able to come together in some way during Advent and I am putting together an online Advent service that will be available on YouTube, trying to incorporate all our parishes in some way. If anyone is interested in being involved do let me know. Pope Francis: *"To be saints is not a privilege for the few, but a vocation for everyone"*. 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: John Bruder.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Paul Molloy, Margaret Gelzinis, Janet and Frederick



Mathews, Ronald Arnold, Brian Ellis, Anthony McDonald, Stanley James Jones, Thomas Joseph Smith, Margaret Teresa Corrigan, Bernadette Craven, Joseph Flynn, David Millea, Kenneth John Smith, Edith Ross, Vincent O'Reilly, James Casey, Winnie Loftus, Nellie Smith, Rev. Cannon James Mullan, Patricia Cowley, Gerard O'Leary (SB) Dominic Tosh, Patricia White, Patricia Crump, Michael Millea, Philip Roscoe, Chloe O' Sullivan, Anthony Standish, Frances Wilson, Stephen Gordon, John Naughton, Norman Jones, Mary Atkins, Joseph Baker.

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.

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.



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 **Christ**

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Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour: Tuesdays until 22 December 7-7:30pm. All links on:

www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk

Armchair Retreats: Denis Blackledge SJ, Jesuit Parish Priest of St Francis Xavier's Church (SFX) delivers a series of armchair retreats

www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/armchair-retreats

Bereavement Support: www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/bereavement



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

