



# The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

**Holy Trinity, St Francis of Assisi, St Bernadette, St Austin**

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| Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time<br>Remembrance Sunday |  | Year A<br>Year 2 | Sunday<br>8th November 2020 |  |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| DAY   | FEAST  | LITURGY TIMES    |                             | MASS INTENTION                                 |
| Saturday<br>7th<br>November                                 | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                                    |                  |                             | Pious List                                     |
| Sunday<br>8th<br>November                                   | Thirty Second Sunday<br>of Ordinary Time<br>Remembrance Sunday |                  |                             | People of the Parish                           |
| Monday<br>9th<br>November                                   | Feast of the<br>Dedication of the<br>Lateran Basilica          |                  |                             | Daniel Klepper (2nd Anniversary)               |
| Tuesday<br>10th<br>November                                 | Memorial of St. Leo<br>the Great, Pope and<br>Doctor           |                  |                             | Anthony Glennon (Ann)                          |
| Wednesday<br>11th<br>November                               | Memorial of St. Martin<br>of Tours, Bishop                     |                  |                             | Pious List                                     |
| Thursday<br>12th<br>November                                | Memorial of<br>St. Josaphat, Bishop<br>and Martyr              |                  |                             | Dorothy McDonald (RIP)                         |
| Friday<br>13th<br>November                                  | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                                    |                  |                             | Fr Peter Sheahan                               |
| Saturday<br>14th<br>November                                | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                                    |                  |                             | Lancashire Sick and Infirm Secular Clergy Fund |
| Sunday<br>15th<br>November                                  | Thirty Third Sunday of<br>Ordinary Time                        |                  |                             | 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

By appointment only

Call 427 4015

**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....**

Not just as we enter into this second period of 'lockdown' but throughout the period of the Covid-19 pandemic, many have been searching for what our readings this Sunday want to tell us about. Wisdom, that great gift of the Holy Spirit, is something we need both on a personal level and collectively across our communities and society. As we seek to do the right thing, not least in combatting collectively this most destructive virus, then we must never lose sight of the one who is that wisest love and loving wisdom.

Wisdom is one of those often-used words the meaning of which, for many in our world, can be elusive. It's good then from time to time to pause for a few moments and reflect on its meaning. It's a word that frequently appears in both the what we know as the Old and New Testaments, particularly in the Hebrew texts of the Bible, a word having a great deal of religious significance for Jesus and his first listeners. *Sophia* was also the wisdom much sought out in the Greek-speaking world too. Prudence is a word closely associated with wisdom. From Our Lord's statements we might associate foresight even more closely with wisdom. Certainly wisdom moves beyond mere data processing or the accumulation of facts. Facts and data are necessary in order to arrive at wisdom but wisdom is something greater than simply knowing facts or processing data. The purpose and meaning of our lives should always guide our choices. It's wise for us to remember that we came from God and are returning back to God.

To put it another way, it's quite possible to neglect our relationship with God and let that relationship die out. Just as the light on an oil lamp can sputter and die out for lack of attention, so too the fire, the warmth, and the vibrancy of our relationship with God can sputter and die out for lack of attention. Wisdom, prudence, and foresight are needed to keep our relationship with God strong and vital. We came from God and we are returning to God.

The Christian community for whom Saint Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes, something we too might have to come to terms with. But still we can't ignore the fact that we believe that Jesus will surely come again. As we approach the conclusion of this liturgical year, though, and again as we begin the next with Advent, our attention will be drawn ever more to those end times and the prospect of the Lord coming to us again. The question remains for us to ask ourselves: are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?

**Fr Joe**



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

***Please keep them and their families in your prayers.***

## **St Francis of Assisi Church**

Due to Government guidelines published on the 31st October 2020  
Between Thursday 5th November and Wednesday 1st December inclusive there  
are to be no acts of public worship in our churches.

However, our church will be open for private prayer on the following days and  
times commencing on **Sunday, 8th November 2020**



**Sunday 9am to 12 Noon**  
**Monday to Friday 9am to 10.30am**  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday**  
**And Thursday**



***We look forward to seeing you.***

***If you are unwell, suffering from symptoms of Covid-19 or are shielding,  
please continue to pray at home.***

# 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](mailto: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](http://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

Together with acts of worship, the sacrament of Baptism has been suspended from the 5th November to the 1st December inclusive. We will wait for instructions from the Archdiocese regarding when this sacrament can take place again. We will keep all those children who were due to receive the sacrament of Baptism in our prayers.

## SVP



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

As we enter another period of lockdown I was grateful to attend an online talk from David Wells (a dedicated Catechist and speaker) who spoke of holding onto Joy in these difficult times. His tips: Stop! Time to breathe in; Allow for interruptions (biblically they are good); Don't wait for Joy – go for it; Fly – the cage is not locked; Joy casts light on the little stuff – keep it simple. His full talk is on YouTube under Pastoral Ministry Office Diocese of Northampton. The Pastoral Area online Advent service is coming together with Hope, Peace, Joy and Love threading through. I'm delighted that voices in the area will be heard sharing their moments of these themes in their lives. Do get involved if you'd like to participate – contact me on [h.jones@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:h.jones@rcaol.org.uk) or 07449 633977. 'Big Questions' arranged by the RCIA Archdiocesan team is available on zoom to enable us to connect with one another over 3 Wednesday evenings – links on the pastoral area website. "Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls" Mother Teresa. Keep safe, keep praying and keep smiling,

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, Bill and Pat Soundie, Barbara Brooks.



### Those who have recently died:

**For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time:** Edith Mercer, May Oliver, Peter Davies, Jean Foy, George Mason, John Vincent McCann, Keith Thomas Whiteside, Jean Ranson, Francis Palmer (Jnr), Ann McGeehan, Winnie Coward, Anne O'Malley, Agnes Carnby, Catherine Lewis, George Curly, Elizabeth Cooney, Diane C. Foster, Bernadette Bewley, Peggy Galvin, Anthony Francis Glennon, Dennis Michael McMaster (SB), Francis Anthony Clarke, Ellen Murray, John Patrick O'Meara, Jimmy Byrne, Patrick Doyle, Kathleen Jones, May Mullany, Margaret Wilson, James Myers, Harry Mason, Mary Flanagan.



### 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 November 2020

### Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.



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#### 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](http://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](mailto: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 [fcjcentresthughes@gmail.com](mailto:fcjcentresthughes@gmail.com)

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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](http://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](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/armchair-retreats)

**Bereavement Support:** [www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/bereavement](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/bereavement)

**Big Questions:** Zoom discussions for enquirers or anyone who wants to share faith in a safe space especially in our time in lockdown. Register by 4pm Monday on the day prior to the sessions at [www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/rcia](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/rcia) Wednesdays from 6:15 - 7:30pm on: 11 Nov Relationships; 18 Nov Believing & Belonging; 25 Nov Care for Creation & All of Life.



The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham offers a full programme of prayer, devotions and liturgy, including Masses. [www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream)

#### Resources for Prayer at Home

Ideas for family prayer at home

[www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com)

