



# 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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Seventh Sunday of Easter				Year B Year 1	Sunday 16th May 2021
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 15th May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	10.00am 6.00 pm	James Corbett Brian Hampshire (LD)	
Sunday 16th May	<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b>	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Pat McGann (Anniversary) People of the Parish	
Monday 17th May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	9.30am	Ian Philip (Anniversary)	
Tuesday 18th May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	9.30am	Julia Hyland (Anniversary)	
Wednesday 19th May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	9.30am	Ann O'Reilly (RIP 1st Anniversary)	
Thursday 20th May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	9.30am	Kathleen Goodchild (5th Anniversary)	
Friday 21st May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 22nd May	Weekday of Easter	SFA	10.00am 6.00 pm	Sr. Maria Odile Chabanel (RIP) Frances Penman (Rem.)	
Sunday 23rd May	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Sue Abbott (Anniversary) 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**

Wednesday 8.45am to 9.15am  
Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm

**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....

This time between our celebration of the Lord's Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost can seem a little strange. It probably felt just that to those first disciples of Jesus, if not a little frightening too. In continuing to celebrate the Resurrection, journeying through Eastertide, while beginning to focus on our need for the Holy Spirit to refresh us over and over again, we, like those first disciples, are invited to focus on three very important things: faith, truth and love.

At his Resurrection, Christ's body was glorified and moved beyond human experience. But for forty days God allowed the appearance of ordinary humanity to veil his glory, so that he can eat and drink familiarly with his disciples. This was to leave the disciples in no doubt that Christ is truly risen, that he is alive and that he is always with them. He's been glorified even more than before. Throughout those forty days, Jesus, one moment present, another absent, was training his apostles to discover his presence even when their senses were of no help to them. They would have only their faith to rely on in future. In fact, even when they did see him they had difficulty being sure it was he; they always had to believe as well. The "seeing" ceases with his ascension. With his training, they became models and teachers for all those who would be blessed because they would believe without seeing. The cloud now hides him from our sight. From now on his glory veils his humanity. And therefore every Christian must live in faith.

But throughout Easter, as we in faith accept that Jesus is Risen for us, we've been reminded of the love of God for us, the love of a Good Shepherd, the love that keeps us connected to the true vine. But in today's gospel, we hear Jesus expand our understanding of what it is to love: it talks about a truth that loves. This truth makes us perfectly one. The light of this truth falls on the small falsehoods of our own fashioning and shows them up to be mere idols. For this truth-that-loves is Jesus Christ, the person of Jesus himself, the word of God made flesh. Love and truth are two ways of speaking about the same innate perfection of God himself, two different perspectives on God's dance of love and truth as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Yet in human creatures, who have only a limited share in God's perfection, truth and love are fractured. So, in praying for the Holy Spirit to come upon us afresh once again in these days of waiting, drawing to a close our Easter Season, maybe that's just what we're praying that Spirit will do: heal us and unite us in faith, truth and love.

Fr Joe



**We pray for Lennox James Chesney and Heath Michael Chesney who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.**

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

## St Francis of Assisi Church

### ST FRANCIS IS OPEN FOR MASS FROM WEDNESDAY, 2nd DECEMBER

It will be really good to be able to welcome people back to church for the celebration of Mass. 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 as possible 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.**



# Other News & Information with Dates for Your Diary

SOCIAL  
MEDIA



**Find us on Facebook!** Do have a look at our page. Let us know what you want to see on it. Facebook ID is **StWilfridGarston** – do “like us” on Facebook



Our YouTube channel is **St Wilfrids, Garston**. Please do subscribe. If we get 100 subscribers we can create our own custom address. Our Zoom Novena from November, the Advent Service and the Stations of the Cross are available to view. We continue to keep connected and welcome all ideas to stay in touch as we can continue on our Faith journey together. Helen

## Pentecost Novena

*From the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales*

This novena offers nine days of intercessory prayer for evangelisation and renewal of the Church in the days from Ascension to Pentecost.

Further details can be found at  
[www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk)

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Following the latest guidance received recently from the government and the archbishop, **the number of people able to attend the celebration of Baptism may increase after 17<sup>th</sup> May. This is subject to the government moving the country to that step on the roadmap out of lockdown by that date.**

The parents, siblings, grandparents and godparents of child to be baptised will be allowed to attend. No more people will be able to attend at this time.

Parents who have completed the Baptism preparation course and need to rearrange a date for their child's baptism should contact the parish office to do that. Parents who have not completed a Baptism preparation course, after which a date for baptism may be arranged, should contact the parish office to do that.

## St Wilfrid's Catch up with a Cuppa

Every **Thursday from 2:00 – 2:30pm** you are invited to take a break and drop in to Zoom for a chat with a cuppa (you'll have to supply!) The link will stay the same whatever the weather!

Go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) and put in  
Meeting ID: **865 3759 2799** and  
Passcode: **227211** when prompted.

## Confirmation

Calling all Year 8s (and above) who wish to be confirmed in 2021. If you are, or know of any young person who is, at a non-Catholic High School and would like to be confirmed this year, please sign up at <https://liverpoolcalled.co.uk/> Those at Catholic High Schools will receive information through school. Due to Covid, the confirmation catechesis programme timeline has been amended. However there will be opportunities to engage with aspects of local Catholic parish experience and some input will be available online. The confirmations for our Pastoral Area of Liverpool South will take place at the end of November 2021.



## Booking for Mass: Help us to Help you

To enable us to allow as many people as possible to attend Mass please could you play your part in supporting the Parish in as far as possible following the booking guidelines. Please note the Sunday obligation has not been reinstated and you are warmly welcome to attend weekday Mass should you be able to.

- 1) Send in any requests to attend Sunday (including Saturday evening) Mass by Wednesday 6pm that week ideally by email [sfa@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:sfa@rcaolp.co.uk) . Facebook and text requests cannot be processed.**
- 2) If you can't make it, please do email as soon as possible so that someone else can take your reserved spot.**
- 3) You will receive confirmation that there is capacity and you have been allocated a space from Janet our Parish Administrator, by Friday of that week provided you have emailed before Thursday.**

*Places need to be reserved each week to ensure everyone has a fair opportunity to attend Sunday Mass.*

We realise this situation is not ideal and involves you organising your Sunday Mass attendance well before the weekend, but we need to keep the community safe and appreciate your help in assisting us with the bookings. Any requests made on Friday afternoons or at the weekend are very difficult to process so late on and are reliant on Fr Joe having time to do this as the office is closed.

**By Wednesday 6pm**  
Request for Sunday Mass  
[sfa@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:sfa@rcaolp.co.uk) preferred or 0151 427 4015

**By Friday 12.30pm**  
Booking confirmed by Janet in the Parish Office.

**Change of Plan/Cancellation**  
Inform Parish Office as soon as possible  
[sfa@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:sfa@rcaolp.co.uk) preferred or 0151 427 4015

## Pastoral Associate Update:

Our virtual **Stations of the Resurrection** have involved parishioners, schools and clergy from the Pastoral Area, almost 200 have been involved in creating it in one way or another! We have produced a prayer resource that gives a flavour of the wealth and diversity of our deanery and reflects the journeys we have taken along the Way of Light from our complete lockdown last year to a sense of hope and expectation as we embrace the risen Christ and get to be with one another again. We will be praying the Stations for the first time together this **Sunday 16 at 6:30pm on Zoom** and thereafter it will be available on the **St Wilfrid's, Garston YouTube**. Thank you to all who have contributed in ways big and small - a link will be on our website: *Christ is Risen – Christ is risen indeed! Laudatosiweek.org* has global resources and talks available to join/access as we celebrate this week. The Synod discernment session proved very engaging with much energy as members, helped by some parishioners had an opportunity to discuss the recommendations prior to discerning priorities for the Archdiocese. Do join us next Wednesday especially if you are a member and have not had an opportunity to meet up with others. We meet for an hour although the discussion may overrun. St Rita of Cascia (patron of loneliness amongst other patronages including baseball) is celebrated this week: *“Most Holy Sacred Heart of Jesus, help my heart to persevere in all that is holy”*. **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, 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, 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, Patricia Doyle, Amanda Melia, Pat Soundie, Barbara Brooks, Jimmy and Ann Lowe, Pam Foster, James Dutton, Phil Moss.



**Those who have recently died:** Joan Harding.



**For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time:** Terence Lawlor, Roderick Ian Philip, John Keegan, Sarah Ahmed Rehmani, Mary Elliott, Ann Florence O'Reilly, John Ryan, Lil Starkey, Bob Culbert, Kathleen Goodchild, Mary Theresa Price, Andrew Cosgrove, Edith Byrne, Mary Regan, Margaret Everson, Michael Gibbons, Adelaide Stamper, Martin Burke, Richard Sawden, Sheila McDonough, John McMahon, John Anthony Dignan, Ethel Wilson, Rosanna Lane, Bridget Daley, John O'Brien, Hilda Larkin, Jack Cunningham, Walter Brady, Julia Poole, Sarah Davies, Michael Charles Jones, Delia and James Kikelly, Betty Fisher, Annie Fry, Ann McDonough, John Paulson, Joseph Symon, Teresa Evans, Joan Kennan, Marie Regan, Paul Cullen, Eithne Kennedy, Adam Grannell, Margaret Taylor.

### 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.

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**Livestream (LS) Mass: Sunday Mass** – 10:00am 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

**Mondays Echoes of Isaiah at 7pm.** Register

[www.TheGodWhoSpeaks2020.org.uk](http://www.TheGodWhoSpeaks2020.org.uk) for the link

**Synod Discernment: Wednesday: 19 (#7- 11) and 26 (#12-19) May 7-8pm (ish) register for details and zoom**

[link www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk) **ALL WELCOME!**

**Pastoral Area Stations of the Resurrection (Way of Light) Sunday 16 May at 6:30pm on Zoom** – register

[www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolsouthpastoralarea.org.uk) for the Zoom link.

For more on **Laudato Si Week** globally visit [laudatosiweek.org](http://laudatosiweek.org) .

"Laudato Si' Week 2021, to be held May 16-25, will be the crowning event of the Special Laudato Si' Anniversary Year, and a celebration of the great progress the whole Church has made on its journey to ecological conversion.

Laudato Si' Week 2021 will also be a time to reflect on what the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us and prepare for the future with hope."

### LAUDATO SI!

A quick quiz to prepare us to celebrate diversity, interconnectedness and wonder of creation in Pope Francis' Encyclical *Laudato Si* celebrated 16 – 25 May 2021. You may be surprised at some of the answers ...

- 1) What does *Laudato Si* mean?
- 2) Where were the words *Laudato Si* taken from?
- 3) What is the world's most numerous insect?
- 4) What is the rarest animal in the world?
- 5) What is the smelliest flower in the world?
- 6) What is the friendliest animal in the world?
- 7) What is the deadliest creature (to humans) on earth?
- 8) What is the heaviest living organism in the world?
- 9) What is world's most numerous species (that can be counted)?
- 10) What is the deepest fish ever caught?
- 11) What is the most eco-friendly country in the world in 2021?
- 12) What was the most popular pet name for a dog/cat during lockdown?

### LAUDATO SI WEEK 16-25 May 2021

#### Handy hints from the Secret Rainside Garden—Get Planting!

To help reduce the use of pesticides in your garden try companion planting: marigolds in with tomatoes, this keeps green and black fly off the tomatoes: peas and beans with nasturtiums to help keep blackfly off.

Make good use of your ground, inter-plant slow growing crops such as brussels sprouts or parsnips with fast growing crops like lettuce or radish.

To promote good growth of your tiny seeds, seedlings or cutting always use fresh water, never use water from your harvested rainwater butt.

You can plant three crops in one bed, sweetcorn, beans and pumpkins or squash. The beans grow up the sweetcorn and the pumpkins or squash will provide ground cover to suppress weeds and keep moisture in the ground.

From a strawberry loving parishioner: want fresh strawberries (or tomatoes) but no space? Try hanging baskets (tumbling tomatoes!)

