



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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22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time			Year B Year 1	Sunday 29th August 2021
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 28th August	Memorial of St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Esther Williams (Anniversary) Pat Sawden (Get well)
Sunday 29th August	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish John and Kevin Cook (Anniversary)
Monday 30th August	Memorial of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest and Martyr	SFA	10.00am	Ndoc Family (RIP)
Tuesday 31st August	Memorial of St. Aidan, Bishop	SFA	9.30am	Doreen Corbett - 90th Birthday
Wednesday 1st September	Memorial of Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, and Margaret Ward, Martyrs	SFA	9.30am	Deceased members of the Tomarit Family
Thursday 2nd September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	4.30pm	Intentions of Staff at our Primary Schools
Friday 3rd September	Memorial of St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word
Saturday 4th September	Memorial of Saint Cuthbert, Bishop	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Intentions of Mike Riley Margaret and Thomas Doyle (RIP)
Sunday 5th September	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	James and Agnes Flynn (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....

Is following the rules all the time really the most fun thing to do? I think we've all been tested over the past few months and years as to our following the rules and guidance set out to keep us safe. For one thing, it has, at times, been confusing and certainly we've been restricted the way in which we go about our normal lives. It might not have been the most fun way to live, but we knew it was for the purpose of keeping each other safe. When we're children, we might not always like the rules our parents set for us, but as we grow up we realise more and more that they were there for our good.

Sometimes on reading the gospels we might wonder if the Law, the Torah was a good thing and what Jesus really thought about it given all the disputes he seems to have with Pharisees, Scribes and Sadducees, for whom the Law, Torah, is mightily important. However, is opposition really the Christian approach to the laws and commandments of God? Look closely at what Jesus is saying, and what his fellow Jew, Saint James, is telling us in our second reading, and I think then we'll find the connexion between the laws and commandments of God and the rules set out by a parent at least, if not necessarily by the democratic state! God gives us laws and commandments for no other reason than that he loves us.

The purpose of the law God gives his people through Moses is life in its fullness, that is, all the good things the human person aspires to: the promised land of eternal happiness. This is the first thing we have to accept without question: God's law is for us and our benefit, not against us, in any sense. It's a law that must be observed in its integrity, and always because when we say that God is "wise", we don't mean that he "probably, almost always, gets it right". We mean God always gets it right. God's wisdom is not an educated guess; it is certain knowledge. God knows what's good for us and in love provides all we need to follow him.

Fr Joe



We pray for Louis Alan Hickey and Isaac O'Malley-Mace who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

St Francis of Assisi Church

Updated guidance on the use of our church building in light of the changes from Monday, 19th July 2021

Due to the fact that the pandemic is far from over, the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales do not intend to restore an obligation to attend Sunday Mass at this point. However, they wish to remind us all of the importance of keeping Sunday holy and if possible attending Mass weekly.

After the legal changes to Covid regulations come in to force on Monday, July 19th July, the following is what will be required in the churches of the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Face coverings will remain mandatory for all those coming to a church service. (Exemptions for medical reasons excluded.)

Social distancing will not be mandatory in our churches and the practice of sanitising the benches after use may be discontinued.

Hand sanitising will remain necessary as people arrive and the sanitiser will remain available for use on the way out. There will, however, be a section of the benches reserved for those who would feel safer and less vulnerable by maintaining social distancing in church. Benches reserved for this purpose will give a limited number of spaces for those who wish to continue social distancing. **If you do not require a socially-distanced place in a bench, you will no longer have to book your place at Mass as previously required. Only if you would like one of the spaces in a bench reserved for social distancing will you be asked to contact the office in the same way as everyone has been doing previously. If you would like to reserve a socially-distanced place or places, 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.** A socially-distanced place cannot be guaranteed for those who have not booked that place in the way outlined above.

Congregational singing will also be permitted from Monday, 19th July, and will be reintroduced at Mass in our church over time, but please remember the need to keep your face covering on at all times, except when speaking from a microphone or receiving Holy Communion. The reception of Holy Communion will be transferred to its usual place during Mass but stewards will continue to guide people out of their benches. Mass will then also finish in the more usual way.

We must be grateful to all the stewards for their hard work over a long period of time. Their work will now continue but in different ways as they help us to keep our church a safe place to visit and use. New volunteers to help steward will always be welcome and will greatly help our current team, so please think about offering your help in that way. We can, though, all help and play our part to keep our church safe, especially by continuing to keep our face coverings on.

Only book your place early if you require a socially-distanced place.

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

These places will be limited and cannot be guaranteed for those who turn up without booking.

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. If you do not require a socially-distanced place you no longer need to book but may simply arrive at church to attend Mass.

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**

First Holy Communion

2022



If your child has just finished Year 3 and will start Year 4 next September, or if he or she is older and has not yet begun the preparation for

First Holy Communion, now is the time to start thinking about your child's First Holy Communion. If you would like your child to prepare for First Holy Communion during the coming school year please contact the parish office for an initial letter & application form.

BEFORE *Friday, 1st October 2021.*

Please pray too for those children who began their preparation some weeks ago and will continue that preparation with their parents in the Autumn.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Following the latest guidance received recently from the government and the archbishop, **there will be no limit to the number of people able to attend a celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism after 19th July. This is subject to the government moving the country to that step on the roadmap out of lockdown by that date.**

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.

Season of Creation

During the last eighteen months, many of us have been aghast at those who remain sceptical about the Covid-19 pandemic and see it as some sort of conspiracy. Sadly, there are plenty of people who view the constant warnings about climate change in a similar way. However, the evidence is undisputable, and the latest report from the United Nations warns us that if we don't take action now, the damage to the earth, our common home, will be irreversible. Just this month we have heard about terrible fires in Europe and the United States, as well as unprecedented flooding in various cities.

In 2015, Pope Francis issued an encyclical letter, *Laudato Si'*, about these issues and established a Season of Creation in the Church's Year to help us to focus on the cry of the earth. The season begins this week with the

'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation'

on **1 September** and runs until the **feast of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October.**

Knights of St. Columba Council 9 Annual Sponsored Walk

The Knights will be having their annual sponsored walk on the **19th September 2021** with a **2pm start** at the Royal Albert Dock gates. The walk will end at the Liverpool Cricket Club on Aigburth Road, where refreshments will be provided for all those who took part.

All parishioners and families are welcome to join the Knights on the walk.

All proceeds from the walk will be divided equally between the parishes of Council 9.

Envelopes will be left on the pews in Church on the **12th September** and collected on the **26th September**. There will be a box available at the back of Church to put your envelope into. Thank you in advance.

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, Michael Peter Holmes, Christopher Brown, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Michael Holmes, Josie Malone, Susie Bell, Grace Garnett, Pat Soundie, Barbara Brooks, Jimmy and Ann Lowe, Pam Foster, James Dutton, John Hollingsworth, Stella O'Donnell, David Brookfield, Jack Stamper, Bernard Fitzsimons.



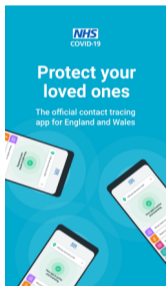
Those who have recently died:



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Ann Pauline Gillat, Vera Naughalty, Augustine Harris, Margaret Mason, Gary Jackson, Agnes Flynn, Margaret Hoctor, May Howard, Rose Burke, James Flynn, Carol Ann Woods, Marion Whittaker, S. Whitehead, Norman Rigg, 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.

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.

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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

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

September

**An Environmentally
Sustainable**



Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

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!

Meeting ID: 251 401 7517

Passcode: 427338



THE IRENAEUS PROJECT

HAVE EXTENDED THEIR OUTREACH PROGRAMME TO THE WIDER COMMUNITY AND ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST THEM TO COVER VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE PROJECT. IF YOU HAVE ANY EXTRA TIME AVAILABLE AND WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT US ON

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