



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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25th Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year B Year 1	Sunday 19th September 2021
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 18th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Nancy Doran (RIP) Ann Stanley (RIP)	
Sunday 19th September	25th Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Nora and Lenny Widdowson (Anniversary)	
Monday 20th September	Memorial of Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions	SFA	9.30am	Tony Ventre (Birthday Mem.)	
Tuesday 21st September	Feast of St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist	SFA	9.30am	Susie Bell	
Wednesday 22nd September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Deceased members of the Archer Family	
Thursday 23rd September	Memorial of St Pio of Pietrelcina	SFA	9.30am	Christopher Joughin (Get well)	
Friday 24th September	Memorial of Our Lady of Walsingham	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 25th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Anthony Austin (RIP) Jayne Quinn (RIP)	
Sunday 26th September	26th Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Rita Kowlack (RIP) 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**



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....

We've missed a bit out in the Gospel. Between what we heard last week, round and about Caesarea Philippi, and where we find the disciples on the road in the bit we hear today, Jesus and three of the disciples have been up a mountain. We know the story of the Transfiguration. We know Peter wanted stay up there but was told he couldn't. And he'd got it wrong before in remonstrating with Jesus about the Messiah suffering and dying. Now, this week, in what we do hear, the disciples get yet another lesson about what true greatness is. This lesson to be like that child Jesus sets before the disciples, to make ourselves a bit less and Jesus in us a bit greater, is just as much for us too.

Last week, the question was all about identity. "Who do people say I am?" asked Jesus. In answering this question about Jesus, we have to ask questions about our own identity as Christians. "Who do people say I am?" Last week was about identity; this week is about direction. Where is Jesus going? Where am I going? This time, the answer must be the same. Whatever glories we find along the way, how ready are we to come down from the mountain and face up to the real glory that awaits us? How ready are we to put aside the glories that others, the world, you might say, wants to heap upon us and face our real glory? How ready are we to do all this when the end, the glory that is the cross, that which lies waiting for the virtuous man, according to the book of Wisdom today and all because that virtuous man stands up for what is right, when that end lies in store?

But that's all for when we get there. We're confronted with two questions today: "Where am I going?" and also, more especially, "How am I getting there?" Jesus, wanting us to be like the little child he put before his disciples, is asking us this same question. As we know, little children just learning to walk or just after this feat is achieved, don't always want to move as quickly as we might want them to. There are things to explore and maybe the odd tantrum to go through before they're ready to carry on. Exploring is good. Knowing that we don't have all the answers and being ready to be surprised by what we find is good. Even though it may take longer than determinedly marching straight to a destination, maybe this is the way in which Jesus is calling us to journey with him in a childlike way: knowing that he's the one with the answers if only we would let him lead the way and reveal himself to us

Fr Joe



We pray for Thea Marie Kelly and Archie Edward Wilson 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

YouTube 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**

Macmillan Fundraiser

On Sunday, 3rd October 2021 after the 9.30am Mass, pies and scones will be available to purchase in the Meeting Rooms. All funds raised will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Also, from the 3rd October 2021, tea and coffee will be available after the 9.30am Mass each week. Our thanks go to all those volunteers who help to provide this for us.



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.

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 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.

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.

Season of Creation

World Day for Migrants and Refugees

Next Sunday is the annual World Day of Migrants and Refugees – a day the Church has kept since 1914. It is appropriate that this day falls during the Season of Creation because, in addition to war and persecution, the climate emergency is a direct cause of migration.

Towards an ever wider “we” is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

It's an appeal to build a universal “we” rather than a national “we”. Instead of repeating mantras we've heard, such as “our country is full”, or “they come over here and take our jobs”, Pope Francis invites us to look at the reality of why people leave their homes and countries, often risking their lives. He asks us to enter into the experience of these vulnerable people who are running from situations we can barely imagine, and to pray for them as they face so many challenges, including hostility, rejection and closed doors.

Pope Francis also asks us to become aware of the opportunities migration offers of countries and communities.

The Vatican has an extensive website directed personally by Pope Francis which aims to help the Church, and others, to accompany those forced to flee and make sure they are not shut out or left behind: <https://migrants-refugees.va>

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, Pam Foster, James Dutton, John Hollingsworth, Stella O'Donnell, David Brookfield, Jack Stamper, Bernard Fitzsimons, John Phillips, Tony Crilley.



Those who have recently died: Roseanne Noonan.



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Kate Calland, Margaret Potter, Mary Elizabeth Ament, Joseph Anthony Ryan, Agnes Copoc, Jimmy McNamara, Robert G. Kelly, Margaret Cavanagh, Janet May Dugdale, James Rodgers, John Moore, Gertrude Lynch, Christopher Maloney, Daniel Cavanagh, Mary Colette Baird, Richard Woods, Thomas Walsh, Elizabeth Coyne, Kathleen Mary Davis, Fred Halewood, George Keogh, Allen Sankey, William Anthony Pugh, James Vincent Kilkelly, Elizabeth Parsons, Mary Kelly, Mary Minton, Deogracias Burgana, Margaret Pickthall, John Ashcroft.

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

From this **Thursday, 9th September** then 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



On Monday– Thursday

We have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Morning Prayer of the Church and Benediction at 9.00 am.

We have Mass at 9.30 am.

Many people find this a wonderful and prayerful way to begin the day.

CAFOD

The 2021 Harvest CAFOD Family Fast Day will take place on Friday 1 October.

By donating to CAFOD this Family Fast Day, you can help the poorest communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis.

CAFOD works with local experts to help people around the world to adapt to the changing climate and protect our common home.

There are two ways to make your donation: -

Use a CAFOD envelope – available in the narthex or

Online at cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis.

Catholic Agency for Overseas Development **CAFOD**

Walk beside us, Lord,
in the cool of the day,
in the garden you have created
as our common home.

Walk beside us, Lord,
as the cries of the forest
pierce the dawn,
and flames rip through
our common home.

Grant us courage, Lord,
as we walk beside all those
who struggle, to protect
our common home.

Grant us hope, Lord,
and the vision to walk dark paths
in the light
of a single sunbeam.

Grant us grace, Lord,
to put the flourishing of all people
and the wonder of your creation
at the heart of all we do,

as we strive to be guardians
of our common home.

St Francis, pray for us

climate crisis

CAFOD 4 October is the feast day of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology.
For more prayers see: cafod.org.uk/prayers
Charity no 1160384 and a company limited by guarantee no 09387398.
Prayer and photo: CAFOD. Printed on paper from well-managed forests.