



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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26th Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year B Year 1	Sunday 26th September 2021
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 25th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	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	
Monday 27th September	Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest	SFA	9.30am	Joe Brophy (Birthday)	
Tuesday 28th September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Colette Briery	
Wednesday 29th September	Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels	SFA	9.30am	Lucia, Tino, Mary, Peter, Cyril, Rosaline, Neil, Hugh, Lo- rans, Sonato,	
Thursday 30th September	Memorial of St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church	SFA	9.30am	Louis Ventre (B'day Mem.)	
Friday 1st October	Memorial of St Theresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 2nd October	Memorial of The Holy Guardian Angels	SFA SFA	11.00am 6.00pm	First Holy Communion Mass People of the Parish	
Sunday 3rd October	Solemnity of St. Francis of Assisi	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Chris and Rita McKenna (Special Intention) Una Forde (LD)	

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....

Where would television soap operas be without that human tendency towards jealousy? Then again, we might say it stood Shakespeare in good stead for a play or two. The tendency towards stubbornness might, you might say, provide the comic relief in a good play or a soap opera. Then again, these feelings can both have disastrous consequences. Such traits we could see too in some of the individuals in both the first reading and the gospel today, as well as a strong dose of jealousy. 'You're not in our group, the in crowd, so why should you have any success?' These are problems we see in individuals in these readings, but they reflect a wider problem amongst the communities that each of them represent.

In the case of the young man who ran to tell Moses that there were these two men who'd not been in the Tent of Meeting, the right place at the right time, and still they were prophesying, doing the Lord's work, were they the first of many? How often would the people of Israel, through stubbornness and jealousy, go on to reject more prophets the Lord sent to do his work to get this people of Israel really loving God? How often would this in turn lead to a sort of self-destruction of the people of Israel so that their many enemies didn't really have to bother? How often would they be their own worst enemy?

In the case of John in our Gospel, complaining that there were these other people doing really great things, like casting out devils in Jesus' name, was he, sadly, the first of many in the Church to let jealousy get the better of him? How often have people through the centuries in the Church let jealousy get the better of them and been their own worst enemy so that it stopped the Church getting on with what she's really about: spreading the Good News that Jesus loved us so much that he died and rose again to save us? Perhaps what we need most is that generous spirit that both Moses and Jesus display in our readings today. 'Anyone who is not against us is for us.' 'If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets.' That's what we all need to see and be reminded of: that we're all here to share in the same mission to let God's love and Good News be felt and heard everywhere. We need to work on this as individuals, each called to be a prophet of the Lord by our baptism. But we need too to let this transformation of our Baptism have an effect on our life as a community too, as the Church founded by those same apostles of which we heard today, as the new people of Israel.

Fr Joe



We pray for Bobby Alexander Turner who is being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

Please keep him and his family 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**



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 Feast of Saint Wilfrid

Come and celebrate our parish's patron saint on

Sunday 10th October.

Saturday 6pm, Sunday, 9.30am and 11.15am

*Masses. On Sunday afternoon there is an opportunity to come together at 3 pm for a celebration of the **Rosary, Sermon and Benediction** followed in the Meeting Rooms by tea, cake and much more. We will also take this opportunity to thank Helen Jones for her work for us as the Pastoral Associate in our Pastoral Area and wish her well as she begins her new job in the Pastoral Development Department of our Archdiocese.*



Come and join us: all welcome.



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.

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

CAFOD'S Harvest Fast Day

As we enter the last week of the Season of Creation, we are invited to give thanks to God for the gift of creation and the fruits of the earth which sustain us. Many churches and schools do this through Harvest Festivals – bringing the fruits of the earth and the work of human hands and sharing these offerings with those in need.

In the UK, for the last sixty years, the Catholic Church has marked harvest time by observing CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day on the first Friday in October. So, this coming Friday, 1 October, we are invited to give thanks by going without a meal or some form of amusement and giving what we save in this way to CAFOD. CAFOD uses our offerings to help those across the world who don't have access to the fruits of the earth because of extreme poverty, food shortages, conflicts and natural disasters.

You can find out more about this Friday's Fast Day here:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day>

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 Pellignie, 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: Stephen Humphries, Audrey Worsley, Nancy Sinnott, Michael Corrigan, Edna Gerkin, Sheila Williams, Bernard Feaney, John F. O'Carroll, Brian Joseph Smith, Brian Wycherley, Ernest Bloxham, Chan Kwan Ng, Elizabeth Howarth, Marcella Mary Povah, Anthony McCluskey, John Hellgren, Doreen Alice Ellen Quinn, Paddy Walsh, Eileen Dowdall, Christopher Cummings, Peter McCormack, Barbara Millea, Moira Evans, Ursula St John Murphy, Leonard Dickinson, Leslie Fry, William Low.

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

CAF657 4 October is the feast day of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology.
For more prayers see: cafod.org.uk/prayers
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Prayer and photo: CAFOD. Printed on paper from well-managed forests.