



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time			Year B Year 1	Sunday 17th October 2021
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 16th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	11.00am 6.00pm	First Holy Communion Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 17th October	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Geoff Brimble Patrick & Sara McLoughlin (Anniversary)
Monday 18th October	Feast of St Luke the Evangelist	SFA	9.30am	Broy Hassett (Ann)
Tuesday 19th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Roseanne Noonan (RIP)
Wednesday 20th October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Peter Hendrick (Ann)
Thursday 21st October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	10.00am	Funeral Mass of Gerard Rogers
Friday 22nd October	Memorial of St John Paul II, Pope	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word
Saturday 23rd October	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	11.00am 6.00pm	First Holy Communion Mass Tony Foster (RIP)
Sunday 24th October	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Tony Mulholland (Ann)

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....

Who would be the biggest and greatest in this kingdom Jesus was calling to himself? Would it be those who got the best seats next to the boss, James and John seem to wonder? But, as Jesus tells them, they don't know what they're asking for; they're missing the point. There are different opinions on what these two meant in their reply to Jesus. Some pious writers will say that they're almost proving that they're saints because, in saying, "We can," they were accepting the martyrdom and suffering that was to await them in later life. Others, however, emphasise the fact that they didn't know what Jesus was talking about and this "We can" was all just bravado. I think the truth lies in a mixture of these possibilities. I don't think they did know what Jesus was talking about but even if they were cocky then these sons of Zebedee were still saints who, as witnesses to the risen Jesus and filled with the Holy Spirit, would go on to witness to their faith in suffering, in death and in humility.

This stooping low is certainly all part of our faith and all because of the Incarnation, something the Letter to the Hebrews emphasises. That letter tells us we have in Jesus the supreme high priest, but this high priest is not someone far removed from us and unapproachable. This high priest is one who is capable of feeling our human weaknesses like us, but did not sin. But if the second reading tells us about the nature of the Incarnation, what it is, the first reading from the prophet Isaiah, points to the purpose of the Incarnation, why it happened. It happened so the high priest, who is both God and Man, could suffer and die for his fellow human beings who feel those human weaknesses but do sin.

So God stooped down low for a purpose; his purpose was to suffer and to die and so save us. It was suffering for a purpose: suffering to save us, suffering for love. It wasn't suffering for its own sake. So when Jesus tells us later in our Gospel to stoop down low, to avoid being the greatest in the eyes of the world and lording it over others, there must be a purpose to our stooping down low like this. Our becoming a servant in order to be great and first in God's kingdom must be an imitation of the one who tells us to do it, the one who did it first for us in the Incarnation. But, like it was for Jesus, this stooping down low will involve suffering, of a different order and kind yes, but suffering still. Let the suffering we may endure by stooping down low be for love, as it was for God-made-Man.

Fr Joe



We pray for Eva Rebecca Fitzpatrick who is being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

Please keep her and her 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**



CAFOD climate change appeal October 2021

Thank you so much for your donations to CAFOD this Family Fast Day. We received **£661.76**. Your generous gifts will help people like Ivanilde in the Amazon to protect our common home.

You can add your voice to our petition calling for the Prime Minister to show leadership in tackling the climate crisis, and find out more about how you can get involved, by visiting **cafod.org.uk/reclaim**

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 Knights of St Columba Council 9

Our Grand Knight, Bro. Kevin Jones, thanks all of our parishioners for their generosity in support of their annual sponsored walk which took place on Sunday, 19th September 2021. Envelopes and monies have been collected and are with the treasurer to be counted. If there are any late envelopes, please hand them to any Knight of St. Columba in our parish or to the parish office where they will be collected. The amount raised will be announced at their annual dinner on the 12th November. And will be published in the newsletter. Cheques will be subsequently issued to the chosen charity, which this year is to each of the parishes of Council 9

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.

LITURGY

Taking liturgy seriously is a zoom study course by the society of St Gregory run in partnership with the London Jesuit Centre. It is aimed at people who have a serious interest in catholic liturgy but have not had the opportunity to develop their knowledge. No written work is required and a certificate is awarded upon completion. Please contact the Pastoral Development Department of the Archdiocese for more information: **pd@rcaol.org.uk, 0151 522 1048**

Car Park

When driving to church please use the car park as much as possible so that our neighbours are not inconvenienced too much with on-street parking. Please enter by the Earp Street gate, use the path on the other side of church once you've parked and leave by the gate onto Palmerston Crescent. This one-way system and pedestrian route is there to try to keep us all as safe as possible.

ENVIRONMENT

Climate Change: We are all invited to sign a Catholic petition regarding COP15 and COP26 – details of resources for social media and the petition can be accessed online at

www.thecatholicpetition.org

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: Maria Ruth Taggart, Gerard Rogers.



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Ann Hall, Bernard Dunmore, Terence and Joseph Butler, Mary Savage, Charles Elliott, Mary Calland, Albert Fellows, Anthony Gerard Mulholland, John Joseph Bruder, Kathleen Meehan, John Clarke, Daniel Ireland, Anthony Cooney, John Campbell, Mary J Murphy, Angela Murphy, Sara McLoughlin, Margaret Walsh, Jim Cloherty, Stanley Orrett, Lynn Martin, Lizzie Holt, Bill Reid, Paul Rodriguez, Phoebe Flewitt, Philip Macauley, Agnes Bryan, Stephen Keane.

Pope Francis' Prayer
Intention October
Missionary Disciples



We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH FINANCIALLY ONLINE AND BY STANDING ORDER

Whilst we are still not back to normal, it is very helpful if those who are able, could contribute to the parish by means other than cash or cheques. The Archdiocese of Liverpool has provided a way of contributing online. If you would like to contribute in this way please visit

<https://donate.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/st-wilfrid-liverpool>



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.

To donate by Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office and a form will be sent to you.

Thank you all for your support at this time and always.