



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



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

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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King		Year B	Sunday 21st November 2021	
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION
Saturday 20th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Sr. Maria Christina (RIP) Pious Lists
Sunday 21st November	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Deceased members of the Currie and O'Reilly families
Monday 22nd November	Memorial of St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr	SFA	9.30am	Sr. Christina (Get well)
Tuesday 23rd November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Pious Lists
Wednesday 24th November	Memorial of Ss Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyr	SFA	9.30am	Cathy Spicer (Get well)
Thursday 25th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Mary O'Rourke (RIP)
Friday 26th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word
Saturday 27th November	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Margaret Doyle (LD) People of the Parish
Sunday 28th November	First Sunday of Advent	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Jayne Sheible (RIP) Mrs A. Kubluczenko

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 might well ask on this feast each year how Jesus can be a king when he seems so different from those who wield power and might in this world, especially when we look upon him on the Cross. But we're called to ask ourselves too about who we are in this kingdom those wide open arms on the Cross draws to himself. How do we understand that we are priests, prophets and kings because Jesus is and calls us to share in those attributes that he had? It's the kingship of Christ that we're called to focus on today and it seems that we, as in the followers of Jesus right from the beginning, always had a bit of trouble understanding how Jesus, the Christ, the anointed one, is a king and, moreover, King of the Universe. As we hear today, this king is the one who is mocked by soldiers and betrayed and denied even by his friends. But this Messiah is still Lord God of hosts.

In 1925, this Feast of Christ the King was established to try and make a crazy world come to its senses and see who really is the King of the Universe. But the sad reality is only eight years later some Christians would vote for the National Socialist candidates to the Reichstag. But let's not forget too that some Christians would buy British newspapers that supported despots. The sad reality is that, over the centuries, some self-professed Christians have been too attracted to the lure of power and might, or have become convinced that the only way to fight the oppression of power and might is to meet it with more power and might. But Christ is a king who for our sake allowed himself to be mocked by soldiers.

This Feast of Christ the King is given to us to see this Lord God of Hosts for who he is. The sovereignty, glory and kingship is on him who came into the world to bear witness to the truth and who founded a Church called also to bear witness to the truth, however hard it is for the world to know that truth. And what is the truth embodied in the King of the Universe? The oppression of power and might, the oppression of sin, even the oppression of death itself, was conquered not by more power and might but rather by the greatest act of love ever seen in the world, on the stump of a hill called Calvary. This is the kingship of Christ, of love and gentleness and we're called to share this by our baptism, giving us the hope to pray confidently for those who have died and for those who continue to struggle on this Earth to reach our eternal homeland in heaven with Christ our King.

Fr. Joe



We pray for Ella King and also Ava, Leo and Isla Henry 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**

National Youth Sunday becomes World Youth Day!

In November 2020, Pope Francis called for a relaunch of World Youth Day (previously celebrated annually on Palm Sunday) and asked the global Catholic community to celebrate locally on the Solemnity of Christ the King, on **Sunday, 21st November 2021**.

It will be a day for the world to recognise and celebrate young people in our local church communities, whether that be through school, at home, or of course in church. For us, in England and Wales, there will be a number of resources made available for all settings including home, school, parish, university and individual.

And you can find resources to help celebrate World Youth Day at home or in school at worldyouthsunday.com

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



Pastoral Plan

After the meeting of Synod 2020 in June this year, work began on preparing a pastoral plan which would guide the archdiocese in the years to come based on the outcomes of the Synod. This plan will be launched next weekend. Every parishioner will get a postcard giving details of how to access the plan and an invitation to a meeting to hear about it. Copies of the plan will be available online and at Pauline Books and Media from next weekend. Please pray this week for open hearts to receive with grateful thanks the fruits of much listening, discerning and work that is Synod 2020.

To find out more, you are welcome to any of these open meetings:

Saturday 4th Dec 11.00am – 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Leyland

Tuesday 7th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm in Holy Rosary Church, Aintree

Thursday 9th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm on Zoom

ADVENT MONDAYS



Advent Reflections: On 29th November, the Pastoral Development Department of the Archdiocese invite you to a **Zoom time of reflection and discussion for an hour each Advent Monday from 7pm.**

Please register for your Zoom link on

<https://forms.gle/ygGnFTySdvNZZ2776>

SVP

Thank you for your wonderful generosity. Your continued financial support and food donations are truly appreciated. As a result, we have been able to support many people in time of crisis.

During Advent, we ask once again for your generosity in helping to provide Christmas hampers for families experiencing hardship. A box will be placed at the back of church to receive donations of food and drink.

Thank you in advance

The God Who Speaks

group have a Healing Tree Activity available for the month of November as a free download. It is based on the image in the book of Revelation, and it is designed to help children pray for the loved ones who have died. This



can be used in parishes or at homes.

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Healing-Tree-Activity.pdf>

Catholic Voices

have conducted a couple of interesting surveys about the impact of Covid on our parishes: <https://www.catholicvoices.org.uk/survey>

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, 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:



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Catherine Buggy, Mary Frances Cook, Leonard O'Brien, Elizabeth Ashcroft, Ruth Stansfield, Sarah Rice, Patricia Kilgallon, Ann Doyle, Maureen Fagan, Michael Anthony Powney, Tony Lord, Patrick McDonald, Joan Margaret Jones, Kathleen Hassett, Peter J. Gunning, Robert James Quayle, Bernard Dunmore, Anthony Burquest, Rosemary Wall, Maureen Broughton, Margaret Morphet, Mary Collette Brown, William Whitfield, James McNamara, Mary Burrows, James McAdams, Nellie Knight, Laurence Charles Etly (SB), George Brown, Patricia Lundon, Frances Davies, Kitty Thomas, Ellen Mallon, Alexander Martin, Martin Keeley, Maureen Wilson Mary Byrne, Christine Byrne, Joan O'Rourke.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention November



People who suffer from depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

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>

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.

Primary School Admissions September 2022

Any child born between **1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018** will be due to start reception class in **September 2022**. The deadline for submitting your application forms to both the Local Authority and our schools is **15th January 2022**.

Please call Holy Trinity School on 427 7466 for further information regarding their admission procedure.

St. Austin's will be holding **4 meetings for parents/carers** to have a look around the school and collect all the relevant forms. Our usual meetings are held during school hours, however this year, due to COVID restrictions they will take place after school.

There will be a maximum of **2 adults per child** allowed to attend, and **strictly no children are allowed**. You **must** book a place at one of these meetings via our school office on **0151 427 1800**.

Tuesday 23rd November – 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Tuesday 11th January – 4.30pm – 5.30pm

You can collect the relevant information at the school office or email enquiries@st-austins.co.uk to request a form via email. There is a maximum of **30 adults** per meeting due to continuing COVID social distancing measures in place.

Mission Boxes (Red Boxes)

If you are able, please bring your Mission boxes to Mass and leave them at the back of church for opening and counting. If you are unable to get to Mass, please contact the Parish Office to arrange collection from your home.

Thank you in advance for your contribution