



# 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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| Second Sunday of Ordinary Time    |   |               | Year C<br>Year 2  | Sunday<br>16th January 2022                                   |
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| DAY                               | FEAST   | LITURGY TIMES |                   | MASS INTENTION  |
| Saturday<br>15th January<br>2022  | Weekday after<br>Epiphany                               | SFA<br>SFA    | 10.00am<br>6.00pm | Nancy O'Grady (RIP)<br>Kitty Carr (RIP)                       |
| Sunday<br>16th January<br>2022    | Second Sunday of<br>Ordinary Time                       | SFA<br>SFA    | 9.30am<br>11.15am | People of the Parish<br>Vera Sweeney (RIP)                    |
| Monday<br>17th January<br>2022    | <b>Memorial of<br/>St. Anthony, Abbot</b>               | SFA           | 9.30am            | Terence Francis Ward (Birthday)                               |
| Tuesday<br>18th January<br>2022   | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                             | SFA           | 9.30am            | Ethel Gardner (Birthday Mem)                                  |
| Wednesday<br>19th January<br>2022 | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                             | SFA           | 9.30am            | Intentions of Pat Threlfall                                   |
| Thursday<br>20th January<br>2022  | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                             | SFA           | 9.30am            | Kate Long (LD)  |
| Friday<br>21st January<br>2022    | <b>Memorial of<br/>St. Agnes, Virgin and<br/>Martyr</b> | SFA           | 9.30am            | Service of the Word   |
| Saturday<br>22nd January<br>2022  | Weekday in Ordinary<br>Time                             | SFA<br>SFA    | 10.00am<br>6.00pm | Michelle and Maureen O'Connor (RIP)<br>People of the Parish   |
| Sunday 23rd<br>January 2022       | Third Sunday of<br>Ordinary Time                        | SFA<br>SFA    | 9.30am<br>11.15am | Deceased members of the Ventre family<br>Patricia Doyle (RIP) |

**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're back into Ordinary Time but the events of today's Gospel seem by no means 'ordinary'. An extraordinary event, perhaps, (certainly an extraordinary volume of wine!) but it's something about trust we're taught here. The servants have to trust Mary and her son, and they have to keep that trust during the very long time it must have taken to fill all these huge water jars. The purpose of their task wouldn't have been clear until the very last moment, until the steward is allowed to take some of the contents, taste it and tell everyone what good this wine was. There was an awful lot of trust required of the people of Israel over the many years we're told about in what we call the Old Testament. Often, we read there that it was only a few, a faithful remnant of people, who kept faith in the God who saves them and longed for the day when the glory of the Lord would be revealed in a Messiah who would show his people a way to glory themselves. They waited a long time for that day to come. The length of time it took for the servants to fill those empty water jars could be said to represent that, and the very emptiness of those jars beforehand (remember that's a lot of emptiness) could be said to represent the empty expectancy of the people of the Old Testament that would be fulfilled by Jesus, the Christ.

The prophet Isaiah seems to speak like a man who's been waiting a long time and is almost reluctantly growing wearily tired doing this waiting. He says he won't grow weary though, until the integrity, the glory of Jerusalem shines out like the dawn. We're told at the end of the gospel today that Jesus' glory was seen. This was what Isaiah and all the others were waiting for. This event we remember today, like the visit of the wise men we celebrated two weeks ago, is yet another manifestation, another epiphany of the Lord when God reveals who he really is to us on earth. And yet this event too is meant to point us forwards to the real manifestation of the Lord's glory, the time when not copious amounts of wine would be gushing forth, but when there would come forth from Jesus' side both blood and water. There would shine out from Jerusalem integrity and glory when Jesus hung on the cross and died for us.

That's the hour which Jesus mentions, and which had not yet come at this wedding feast, but would come at the fulfilment of the marriage, the union of God and humanity that is Jesus Christ. We've only just begun Ordinary Time, not even Lent, and already it seems we're on track for Good Friday.

**Fr. Joe**



***We pray for Rudy and Dottie Ireland who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend  
Please keep them and their 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, 19<sup>th</sup> 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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, 19<sup>th</sup> 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**

## 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 2021. 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,

## Missionaries of Charity in Seel Street

Thank you so much for your very generous gifts of food, clothes and toiletries for the poor. We and the poor are very grateful.

With much love and prayers

Sr. Rosalind and the community

## 'AGAPE MASS' WITH THE EMMAUS FAMILY OF PRAYER

A Celebration of the Eucharist

3rd February 2022

At 'The Irenaeus Centre' Great Georges Rd, Liverpool L22 1RD.

All welcome!

Also available with a Zoom link contact [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk)



## Jesus Christ, the Universe and ourselves—a pattern of relationships

Reflections of St. Paul's letter to the Colossians

By Zoom on **Thursdays 20th, 27th January, 3rd, 10th February. 10.30am to 12 Noon**

To book your place email [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk)

## Universal Synod on Synodality

Submissions:

**10 January 2022 – 10 March 2022**



Universal Synod 2023: Archbishop Malcolm is calling us to take part in the listening phase of the Universal Synod on synodality 2023, which Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to join. Although we have already engaged with the synodal process in the archdiocese as part of Synod 2020, which initially generated 27,000 responses, we may find ourselves in a different place on our journey. This may include fresh insights, which will be submitted to the Bishops' Conference together with the summary of the listening phases of Synod 2020. To participate in this world wide listening process, you can access and download the discussion questions from Monday 10 January 2022, as well as submit your responses online at [www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/synod2023](http://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/synod2023). The deadline for submissions is 10 March 2022. For queries: [vaticansynod@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:vaticansynod@rcaol.org.uk).

## The God who Speaks Resources for January 2022



### Bible Resolutions

[godwhospeaks.uk/new-years-bible-resolutions](http://godwhospeaks.uk/new-years-bible-resolutions)  
[godwhospeaks.uk/our-bible-resolutions](http://godwhospeaks.uk/our-bible-resolutions)

**Sunday of the Word of God** resources for 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022  
[godwhospeaks.uk/sunday-of-the-word-of-god](http://godwhospeaks.uk/sunday-of-the-word-of-god)

**Life to the Full:** *Active Participation in the Liturgy* with Canon Pat Hartnett  
[godwhospeaks.uk/life-to-the-full-active-participation-in-the-liturgy](http://godwhospeaks.uk/life-to-the-full-active-participation-in-the-liturgy)

### Bible phrases in the Mass Charts

[godwhospeaks.uk/new-years-bible-resolutions/bible-phrases-in-the-mass](http://godwhospeaks.uk/new-years-bible-resolutions/bible-phrases-in-the-mass)

### Top Bible translations for all ages

[www.godwhospeaks.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Our-Top-Bible-Translations.pdf](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Our-Top-Bible-Translations.pdf)

### BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS

**Book of Revelation** in *Clothed in White Robes* by Fr Michael Hall  
[godwhospeaks.uk/clothed-in-white-robos](http://godwhospeaks.uk/clothed-in-white-robos)

The Final and 10<sup>th</sup> Creation Commandment by Fr Michael Hall  
*Know that your freedom has limits*  
[godwhospeaks.uk/commandment-10-know-that-your-freedom-has-limits-the-centre-of-creation](http://godwhospeaks.uk/commandment-10-know-that-your-freedom-has-limits-the-centre-of-creation)

### ART & CULTURE

#### Women in Scripture Art

[godwhospeaks.uk/art-and-culture/women-in-scripture](http://godwhospeaks.uk/art-and-culture/women-in-scripture)

## Archdiocese of Liverpool Directory 2022

There are two copies of the 2022 directory available from the Parish Office at a cost of £3.50 each. If you want to reserve a copy, please contact the Parish Office by telephone or preferably email

## 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, 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, John Phillips, Tony Crilly.



**Those who have recently died:** Peter Giannasi.



**For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time:** Veronica Loughney, Ray Allerston, Maud Crisp, Joseph Dunn, Sheila Gledhill, Bernard Hughes, Catherine and Thomas Exley, James Corcoran, Joan Keegan, Peter Balfe O'Neill, Vera Loughney, David Doyle, Elizabeth Jones, Eileen Roberts, Leonard Widdowson, John Richard Fellows, Carmel Rose Anne Short, Jean Houghton, James Gerard Kilgallon, William Moran, Marie Gibb, Andrew Vinue, Johanna Doyle, Norah Byrne, Joan Schofield, John Schofield, Peter Stanton, Frank Harris, Andrew Flanagan.

Pope Francis' Prayer  
Intention for January 2022



### For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human



**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.**

## 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

### 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**

