



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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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time			Year C	Sunday 23rd January 2022
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES	MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 22nd January 2022	Weekday after Epiphany	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Michelle and Maureen O'Connor (RIP) People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd January 2022	Third Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Deceased members of the Ventre family Patricia Doyle (RIP)
Monday 24th January 2022	Memorial of St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor	SFA	9.30am	Carmel Short (Anniversary)
Tuesday 25th January 2022	Feast of the conversion of St Paul	SFA	9.30am	Thanksgiving for recovery of Hetty Moss
Wednesday 26th January 2022	Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops	SFA	9.30am	Intentions of Mike Riley
Thursday 27th January 2022	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Kathryn Graham
Friday 28th January 2022	Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word
Saturday 29th January 2022	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Celia Ross (RIP) Chrissie Harrison (LD)
Sunday 30th January 2022	Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Intentions of the Ryden Family

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....

Standing out from the crowd, becoming the centre of attention for all to see is not something that many people can say they enjoy and is for many something to be avoided at all costs. However, we see two people in our readings today who don't seem to show any nervousness, about standing in front of a crowd to speak. The Book of Nehemiah tells us about old Ezra who seems to be both a priest and a scribe. He's got his work cut out addressing a people who've been hurt so very much as a result of wars and deportations from their homeland and need a fresh start. The people of Israel are making a new start back in the Holy Land and people like Ezra want it to be the best start. They need to see that their identity and stability will be found in the Law of God, the Torah. Saint Augustine would tell us much later that our hearts do not find rest until they rest in the Lord. That is to say that our hearts are restless until they find stability and identity in the Lord, and for the people that Ezra addresses the presence of that Lord really is in the Law, in the Word that he speaks to the people.

At Mass the Lord is present to us in his Word, just as he's present to us in his body and blood. Saint Paul will also remind us of the other way in which we encounter Christ's presence. Being the Body of Christ, the Church, Christ is made manifest in the congregation who gather to praise, and give glory to, that same Christ whose body they become by the celebration of this Eucharist, by the Holy Communion that they receive. They are many and different, all vital and valued, and maybe the weakest even more so, and yet all can still be one.

Understanding how transformed we are by the celebration of the Eucharist ought to be as astounding for us as the words of Jesus seem to be for his fellow Nazarenes who hear him speak in the Synagogue. He too, like Ezra, is making a new start, a start in his ministry of preaching and healing. He's the other one with Ezra who doesn't seem to be embarrassed speaking in front of a big crowd, and his home crowd at that. The transformation of this people he points to, quoting the prophet Isaiah, must be the same sort of transformation that we come to understand in ourselves as coming from our celebration of the Eucharist, remembering too that by our Baptism we are made priest, prophet and king, after the likeness of Christ Jesus himself. With that transformation in the Eucharist we are then sent out into the world to tell Christ's Good News.

Fr. Joe



We pray for Alice Phoebe Rose Wass and Xavierra Ellana George 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.

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,

The God who Speaks

Resources for January 2022



Bible Resolutions

godwhospeaks.uk/new-years-bible-resolutions
godwhospeaks.uk/our-bible-resolutions

Sunday of the Word of God

resources for 23rd January 2022
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

Bible phrases in the Mass Charts

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

BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS

Book of Revelation in *Clothed in White Robes* by Fr Michael Hall
godwhospeaks.uk/clothed-in-white-robdes

The Final and 10th 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

ART & CULTURE

Women in Scripture Art

godwhospeaks.uk/art-and-culture/women-in-scripture



The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple Candlemas

Wednesday, 2nd February 7 p.m.

Mass, beginning with the blessing of candles and candlelight procession

Please join us as we celebrate the feast that recalls Jesus' presentation in the Temple of Jerusalem forty days after his birth, Jesus the light to enlighten all nations.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2022

The website to register for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open.

Schools have already received publicity material.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Any young person currently in **year 8 (or above)** is welcome to register to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Registration will close on Monday 21st March.

To register visit **liverpoolcalled.co.uk** and click '**Register for Confirmation**' at the top right-hand side of the page.

Information about the preparation scheme that young people will follow can also be found on the Liverpool Called website.

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, Muriel 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: Thomas Lawless.



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Peter Lynch (SB), James and Mary Barber, Teresa Joan Pierce (SB), Sarah McCarthy, Imelda Bibby, Anne Jane Eton, Frederick George Ehlem, John Byrne, Margaret Murray, Tina Love, Alice Butler, Lauretta Woolam, Moira Slavin, Harry Robinson, Brenda Gorman, Margaret Bellion, Thomas Cleary, John James Murphy, Bridget Delia Tosh, Mary Theresa Jenkins, Flora Teresa McCulla, Paul Brendan Given, Greeba Cecilia Hughes, Robert J. Culbert, Stephen Kilkie, Michael C. Thompson, John Christopher Fowler, Eileen Ann Mary Blackhall, Alice Butler, Mary Sylvia Smith, Ethel Verda Moore, Sheila Welch, Brian Williams, Hugh Pryce, Brian Evans, Magdalene Harte.

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.

St. Austin's School vacancy—Cleaner

Cleaner required from 3pm - 6pm with holidays to be taken during school holidays only. All the information can be found on our website at

<https://www.st-austins.co.uk/staff-vacancies/>

or alternatively, call the school on **427 1800** for an application form.

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