



# 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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Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year C Year 2	Sunday 17th July 2022
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 16th July	Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Alfred Threlfall and Edith Hankey (Rem) Pat Doyle (Anniversary)	
Sunday 17th July	Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Rose Byrne and Broy Hassett (B'day)	
Monday 18th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	10.00am	St. Austin's Leaver's Mass	
Tuesday 19th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	John Ross (Anniversary)	
Wednesday 20th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Sr. Alba Franchine (RIP)	
Thursday 21st July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Helena Marin Mateos (Birthday thanksgiving)	
Friday 22nd July	Feast of St Mary Magdalene	SFA	9.30am	Thomas Jones (RIP)	
Saturday 23rd July	Feast of St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	No Mass Taduezc and Alice Kabluezenko (Anniversary)	
Sunday 24th July	Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Liam Byrne (RIP) People of the Parish	

**Baptism**

Refer to Parish Newsletter for future updates  
0151 427 4015

**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....**

Hospitality is a vital part of the charism of those who follow the Rule of Saint Benedict, so many of whom have served our parish over the years. It's also a vital part of the religious life of many other orders too. In this vocation of hospitality they might find at least three examples and patrons in today's readings: Abraham, Sarah and Martha. The hospitality offered by Abraham, and Sarah, at the Oak of Mamre has been depicted in a beautiful icon. Abraham and Sarah go out of their way to be of service to an angel of God in disguise and all during the hottest part of the day. God's revelation stirs something very wonderful and beautiful in the hearts of Abraham and Sarah: the spirit of wonder and awe. It's this spirit that is rewarded with something so very unexpected: the promise of a son. Abraham thought that he would have no posterity save through the slave woman Hagar, but rather God steps in to reveal something that we as humans could not know for ourselves. God's revelation is like this, revealing things that we can't just work out for ourselves and the Trinity is one such example of this. Abraham saw three men at the entrance to his tent and many, including Saint Thomas Aquinas, have seen in this the foreshadowing of the revelation of the doctrine of the Trinity.

To the first Christians it might never have seemed humanly obvious either just how rapidly this faith in Christ Jesus would grow given all the persecutions that they suffered. Saint Paul tells us today in our second reading that he indeed suffered himself. It might seem hard at first to see any good in such sufferings, but Paul was given a grace to see something of the mystery of God through those same sufferings. Again, it's not always obvious to human eyes but Paul could rejoice through his sufferings because he could see that God's mystery of salvation was not closed off to gentiles but embraced them just as much as the direct descendants of the patriarch Abraham.

We find that Jesus too was one for revealing truth in ways not always obvious and we see this today in his saying that Mary has taken the better part. It might still jar with us today too. Surely we need the 'Marthas', those ready to get stuck in and busy themselves precisely so that we can show this Christian virtue of hospitality? But I have often found that these 'Marthas' for all their hands-on approach are also great pray-ers too. You don't need me to tell you that a balance is needed. We need to show hospitality to other people and we need to show hospitality to God in our hearts. What opportunities do we take to do this?

**Fr. Joe**



***We pray for Violet Elizabeth Gray and Tilly Veronica O'Shea who are being Baptised in our Parish this weekend.***

***Please keep them and their families in your prayers.***

## **Updated guidance on the use of our church building in light of the changes from Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

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 Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January, the following is what will be required in the churches of the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

Face coverings are recommended to be worn by those who are present in a church building. (Exemptions for medical reasons excluded.)

Social distancing will not be mandatory in our churches.

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. Only if you would like one of the spaces in a bench reserved for social distancing will you be asked to contact the office. 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.

At Sunday Masses, and other Masses and liturgies that are well attended, stewards will continue to guide people out of their benches to come forward to receive Holy Communion. At Mass during the week, people may come forward to receive Communion without being directed. The sign of peace may now be reintroduced and people may use holy water at the entrance to church to bless themselves as a reminder of their baptism.

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.***

***It is now optional to wear a face covering in church.***



# 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, 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.



## St Bernadette Relic Tour 2022

*In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charms of Lourdes.*

*For the full national itinerary and more information please go to the Catholic Bishops' Conference website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022/>*

**Archdiocese of Liverpool St Mary's R.C. Church:** Mount Pleasant, Chorley, Lancashire, PR7 2SR Arrive: 8:30pm Thursday 15 September until 10:00am Saturday 17 September

**Cathedral Church of the Risen Christ:** James' Mount, Liverpool, L1 7AZ Arrive: 11:00am Saturday 17 September until 2:30pm Saturday 17 September

**Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King:** Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQ Arrive: 3:30pm Saturday 17 September until 7:00am Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

## First Holy Communion 2023



If your child is currently in Year 3 and will start Year 4 this coming 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**  
**Monday, 25th July 2022.**

## The Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to the young people of our parish and others from across our Deanery of South Liverpool who have recently been confirmed. Keep them all in your prayers.

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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, contact the parish office to book onto the course.

***You need to book onto the course, to secure your place.***

## Children's Liturgy of the Word Little Church

It's great that, through the generosity of some of our catechists, children at the **9.30 a.m. Mass each Sunday** will be able to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word together in **Little Church**.

This is suitable for **children Year 4**. Children will listen to followed by a discussion and present in the room other than The children and adults will leave church and again when



**aged from Reception to** the readings/ Gospel of the day activity. No adults may be two DBS checked catechists. sanitise their hands as they returning to church.

*If any person over 18 years of volunteer their services to help*

*DBS check) that would be very much appreciated! **Please give your name and contact details to the Parish Office by email or by phone.***

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## 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, 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, Stella O'Donnell, David Brookfield, Peter Dwyer, Shannon McGrath.



**Those who have recently died:** Robert Flewitt.



**For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time:** Anthony Bell, Violet Cokersal, Joseph T. Martin, Sarah Riordon, Elizabeth (Lily) Monaghan, Elizabeth McDonald, Patricia Ann Wright, Thomas G. Owens, Frances Shillcock, Julianne Maria Tobin, James Kilkee, Jean Wright, Paul Anthony Leckie, Babs Keogh, Kathleen Howard, Michael Millea, Lawrence Joseph Stanley, Jim Coogan, Elizabeth Haliwell, William Spragg, Margaret Tosh, Edith Shepherd, Liz O'Donovan, Elizabeth McKeown, Joseph O'Brien, Margaret Saville.

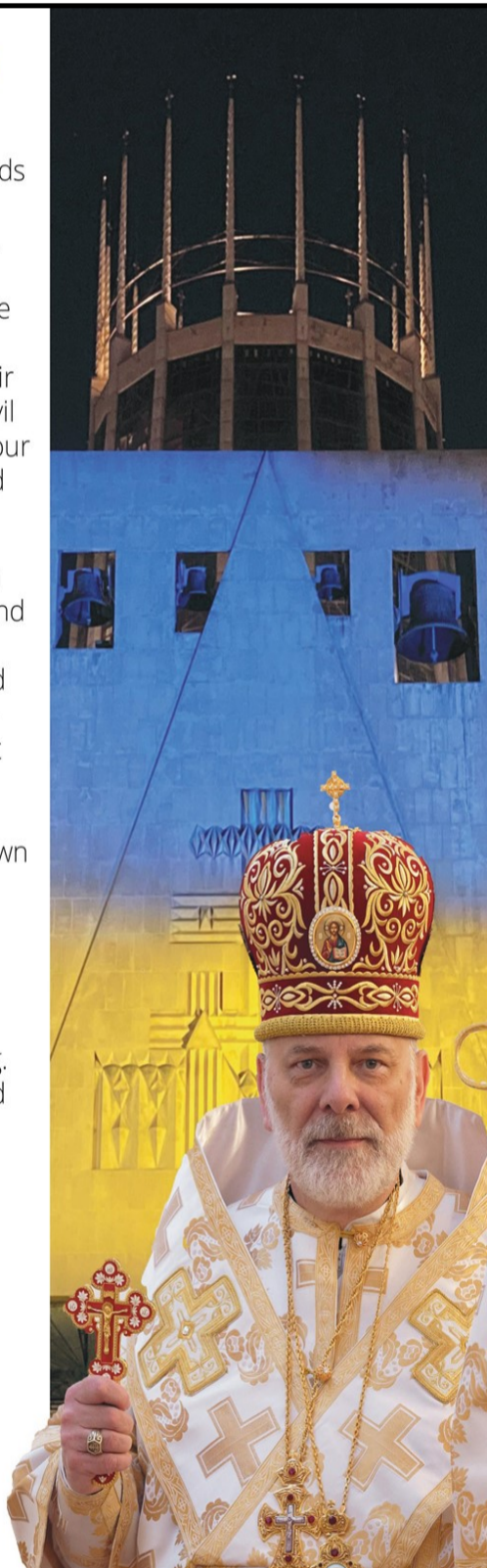
## Prayer for Ukraine

Almighty and Great God, accept our gratitude for your boundless mercy towards us. Hear the supplication of our afflicted hearts for the land and people of Ukraine, as they confront foreign aggression and invasion. Open the eyes of those who have been overtaken by a spirit of deception and violence, that they be horrified by their works. Grant victory over the powers of evil that have arisen and bless Ukraine with your gifts of liberty, peace, tranquillity and good fortune.

We implore you, O Merciful God, look with grace upon those who courageously defend their land. Remember the mothers and fathers, the innocent children, widows and orphans, the disabled and helpless, those seeking shelter and refuge, who reach out to you and to their fellow human beings looking for mercy and compassion. Bless the hearts of those who have already shown great generosity and solidarity, and those who prepare to receive their Ukrainian brothers and sisters in Ukraine's greatest time of need. Bring us together as your children, your creation, and instil in us your strength, wisdom and understanding. May you be praised and glorified, now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**+Kenneth Nowakowski**  
Eparchial Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic  
Eparchy of the Holy Family of London

We pray for the local Eparchy of Sambir-Drohobych and its bishops.



**If anyone is suffering from the effects of alcohol, call John on 07525440113**

## Former St Bernadette's Parishioners may be interested to hear:

Archbishop Malcolm and the Trustees of the Archdiocese have been extremely generous in agreeing to donate the former St Bernadette's Site on Mather Avenue to a Project that will, hopefully, see the building of 11 apartments and communal facilities that will offer a Supported Living facility for 11 residents with learning difficulties and provide a long term housing solution for them. The 11 families have been working on this Project for nearly 8 years and have driven it forward to the stage where a Planning Application is currently being drawn up. A collaborative approach has been used throughout and enormous assistance and enthusiasm has been afforded by Liverpool City Council Adult Social Care, Options Supported Living, Regenda and Care Housing Associations together with the legal and surveying functions within the Archdiocesan Offices. Follow this link for further Information

[https://1drv.ms/w/s!Aljtoq7SP0XrjGN75-VkHZYYL10\\_](https://1drv.ms/w/s!Aljtoq7SP0XrjGN75-VkHZYYL10_)

If you would like any further information, please phone Ray on 427 6759

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention

for July

**Elderly**



We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.