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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Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year C Year 2	Sunday 24th July 2022
DAY	**FEAST**	**LITURGY TIMES**		**MASS INTENTION**	
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	
Monday 25th July	**Feast of St James, Apostle**	SFA		No Mass	
Tuesday 26th July	**Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne**	SFA		No Mass	
Wednesday 27th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA		No Mass	
Thursday 28th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA		No Mass	
Friday 29th July	**Memorial of Ss. Mary, Martha and Lazarus**	SFA		No Service of the Word	
Saturday 30th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Sashen Riorden (Anniversary) Agnes and Philip Galvin (59th Wedding Anniversary)	
Sunday 31st July	Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Fr. Joe Kendall - 10th Anniversary of Ordination into the Priesthood	

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....

At this time, when many from our parish join others from across our archdiocese in prayer on pilgrimage in Lourdes, we're all reminded of this important instruction Jesus gives about how we are to pray. Saint Luke presents the teaching of Jesus concerning prayer having in mind converts like himself. Christians coming from a Jewish background were accustomed to a tradition of daily prayer; Gentile converts, on the other hand, had to acquire a habit of regular prayer. Luke, therefore, stresses perseverance. This gospel may well have something to say to us too as the pressures of daily life make regular prayer more difficult. 'Teach *us* to pray'. The disciples are not merely asking how to pray; they want to know what should be the content of the prayer that makes them true followers of Jesus. The Lord's Prayer, as it came to be called, soon had a central place in the Church's life. It was a badge of membership, a measure of the true Christian spirit. In the early Church, those preparing for Baptism learned the Lord's Prayer, but they did not join in public recitation until they shared in the celebration of the Eucharist.

Saint Paul is keen to tell the Colossians all about the importance of this Baptism. This is still how we enter into membership of Christ's family, the Church, how we earn our badge of membership, by being plunged into those waters, buried with Christ, and rising up from those waters again, rising with Christ. This is what Saint Paul reminds us happens then, and still today, just as at Mass, we pray together the Our Father at a celebration of Baptism. I have often reminded parents and godparents and all there of the importance of learning those prayers that we were all taught as children, praying those prayers with their children no matter how big or little they may be, but that even if the children or babies that we baptise are too little to get those words out themselves we can still pray with them, and they can be praying themselves. Those babies can still find themselves in God's presence knowing God's love. That's prayer enough for them.

Let's not forget that we can learn ourselves from those children. They're the trustful ones after all. When any of us are in Lourdes we try to learn from the example of trust shown by Saint Bernadette. Really, though, all the children, the ones who often ask us to teach them to pray, can show us the way. "Teach us to pray" should be the request of all the baptised whether they're three or 103. It's only then that we'll be led to place our trust in the Lord and led from the comfort of what we know into the challenging mission given to us when we are baptised.

Fr. Joe

We pray for all those who have been Baptised in our Parish.

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, 27th 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, 22nd 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, pl*ease 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.

SAINT BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022

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 charisms 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 2SRArrive: 8:30pm Thursday 15 September until 10:00am Saturday 17 September

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

Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King: Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TQArrive: 3:30pm Saturday 17 September until 7:00am Tuesday 20th September

On Thursday, 18th August 2022

We are having a leaving Party for Fr. Joe at Heath Hall, Garston.

We will celebrate Mass in Church at 7.00pm refreshments in Heath Hall after Mass

Let's make the evening special for Fr. Joe

Sign up sheet at the back of church for buffet numbers. All Welcome

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2022

Please keep in your prayers, all those from our Archdiocese who are in Lourdes this week.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.
St. Bernadette, pray for us.

The schedule for the Lourdes pilgrimage is on the Archdiocese website for people at home to follow:
www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/index.php?p=2542

This Sunday is the second **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly**. More information, resources and a prayer card can be found here:
Grandparents Day | National Office for Vocation England & Wales (ukvocation.org)

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 aged from Reception to Year 4**. Children will listen to the readings/ Gospel of the day followed by a discussion and activity. No adults may be present in the room other than two DBS checked catechists. The children and adults will sanitise their hands as they leave church and again when returning to church.

If any person over 18 years of age would be prepared to volunteer their services to help out on a rota basis (subject to a 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, Kathleen Smith.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Benjamin Anthony Delahunty, Michael Welsh, Leonard Slack, Sheila V. Speed, Dorothy Feery, Arthur Hill, John Jones, Gerald Jones, Margaret Mary Hodson, Liam McGuigan, Margaret Hendrick, Ann McKevitt, Geraldine Ann Davies, Mary Clare Burns, Sheila Abbott, Anne Marie Devine, Ellen Casey, Gerry Loftus, Elizabeth Clark, Ann Gillespie, Daniel Murphy, Edie Hankey, Mary Clare Burns, Geraldine Ann Davies, James Wood, Tony Davis, Margaret Crean, Norah Donovan, Mary Beckett, Joan Fox, Thomas Mooney, Joan Dailey, Margaret Murzyn, Helen Greal, David Loughney.

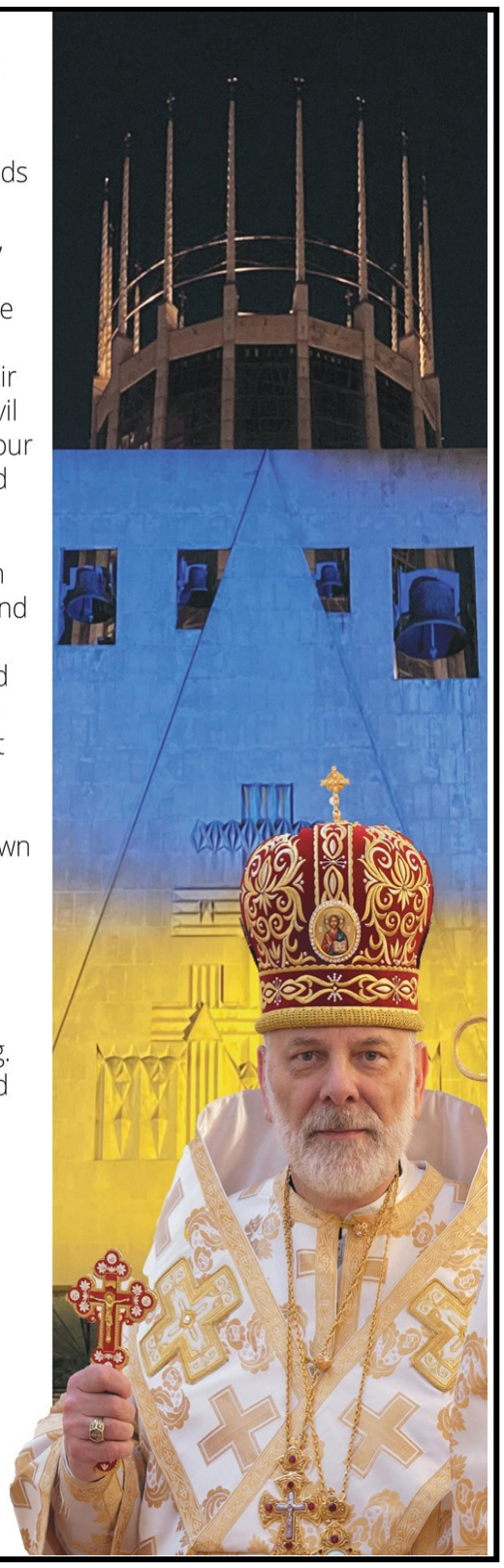
Prayer for Ukraine

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_

*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.