

### 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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Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year C Year 2	Sunday 31st July 2022
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
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	
Monday 1st August	Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor	SFA	10.00am	Funeral Mass for Robert Flewitt.	
Tuesday 2nd August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	John David Green (Birthday Rem)	
Wednesday 3rd August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Archbishop Philip Tortaglia (RIP)	
Thursday 4th August	Memorial of St. John Vianney, Priest	SFA	9.30am	Kathleen Coogan	
Friday 5th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 6th August	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Helena Martin Matsos (Private Int) Maureen O'Donnell	
Sunday 7th August	Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Maureen Guest (RIP) People of the Parish	





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 Louis Michael Martin Guatela and Rae Victoria Elizabeth Williams 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

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 charisms of Lourdes.

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

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:

See Parish Noticeboard for full details of the Tour. We strongly encourage individuals and groups register their attendance at their earliest convenience choosing a free, dedicated timeslot at their chosen church or cathedral, as demand is likely to be high.

The reservation system is now open and can be accessed here: stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/



### 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.

Then there will be 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 as soon as possible please All Welcome

#### Lourdes Pilgrimage 2022

Please keep in your prayers, all those in our Archdiocese who have returned in the last few days from Pilgrimage in Lourdes.

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

# 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

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



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.

age would be prepared to 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.

#### 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, Susie Bell, Pat Soundie, Barbara Brooks, Pam Foster, James Dutton, Stella O'Donnell, David Brookfield, Peter Dwyer, Shannon McGrath.



**Those who have recently died**: Kathleen Smith, David Keefe (former Parishioner of St. Austin's) Josephine Malone (Jo), John Skillicorn.



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Patrick Anthony Keane, Jaqueline Adams, Ann Ashcroft, Irene Doran, William Patrick Doran, Dominic Tosh, Catherine Marie Friery, Christina Ellison, Robert Loftus, Betty Aspinall, Margaret Pederson, Bill Quinn, Thomas Joseph Judd, Felix Smith, Margaret Campbell, Peter Sweeney, Ann Nugent, George Harrison, Marguerite McGuinness.

### **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.







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

For anyone who would like to view the Planning Application for the St Bernadette's Project, it is now available, in minute detail, on the City Council Planning Portal. I include a link to the Application below. It is one of the best quality Planning Applications I have viewed in recent times and have congratulated our Architect accordingly. There are hundreds of pages of it - good bedtime reading

<a href="https://lar.liverpool.gov.uk/planning/index.html?">https://lar.liverpool.gov.uk/planning/index.html?</a>
fa=getApplication&id=165559

Very best wishes Ray

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August

#### **Small Businesses**

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

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

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