



The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter



Incorporating the Four Church Communities of Garston, Grassendale and Allerton.

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Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary				Year C Year 2	Sunday 14th August 2022
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 13th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Charlie Frost (LD) People of the Parish	
Sunday 14th August	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Thanks to Deacon Paul and Jan Whitehead for Pilgrimage to Lourdes Willy and Rita Ney (Anniversary)	
Monday 15th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Friends and relatives of Rosa Lalor	
Tuesday 16th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Maria McGowan	
Wednesday 17th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Jack and Elizabeth Carberry	
Thursday 18th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	7.00pm	Fr. Joe's leaving Mass followed by a Parish party at Heath Hall, see notice in the Newsletter	
Friday 19th August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word	
Saturday 20th August	Memorial of St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Pat Doyle (RIP) People of the Parish	
Sunday 21st August	Twenty First Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Phil Moss (Birthday Anniversary) Murad Ghorbal (Anniversary)	

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....

The Assumption is the oldest and most solemn feast of Mary. It's not mentioned in the New Testament but it has been celebrated for at least sixteen hundred years. The Council of Chalcedon in 451 referred to it. The Eastern Orthodox churches call it the "Falling Asleep of the All-Holy Mother of God" and celebrate it with even greater solemnity than we do. The Assumption means that God, who planned the very first moment of Mary's life with such extraordinary care, also planned her very last moment just as carefully. At the first moment of her life, by a very special privilege of God, Mary was preserved free from the stain of sin. At the last moment, by another very special privilege, she was preserved free from the corruption of the grave. At the end of her life Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven. (Whether or not she died first, is an open question.)

In the Immaculate Conception the emphasis is on the soul. In the Assumption the emphasis is on the body. Both are important. They were made for each other. At death, there is only a temporary separation. Body and soul will be reunited in the Resurrection. The Assumption means that the body that participated in the battle of life will also participate in the victory. Today we're very aware of the importance and the vulnerability of the body. We live as long and as well as the body supports the soul. We know well that the body is the instrument of pleasure, pain and procreation. But there is an end to this: the last of the enemies, as Saint Paul describes it to the Corinthians today: death. But even that has been vanquished we hear: the victory is Christ's, for whom there is all authority, as Saint John's Revelation will tell us.

But the body is also the instrument of knowledge. All the knowledge we have comes in originally from one of the five senses. The body is also the instrument of the communication of knowledge. No one can read our mind. We express our thoughts through the body, with language and signs. The body is also the instrument of grace. We receive the sacraments, the channels of grace, through the body. The body is also the instrument of worship. God wants us to encounter him and God knows how he made us. We can encounter him in the beauty of the earth, such as we encounter today with the sight and smell of flowers. That's why we use the senses so that we can celebrate the sacraments, encounter God and come to worship and celebrate his love for us. True worship is in spirit and truth and Our Lady's motherly love on her feast leads us all to worship her son, truly divine and truly human.

Fr. Joe



We pray for Aidan Philip Garcia and Edison Gavin Winstanley 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, 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, 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!

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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.



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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/>

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:

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/

The Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven The Blessing of Flowers

It's a great tradition in the Church to bless flowers on the day that we celebrate the fact that Our Lady has been assumed, body and soul, into heaven at a time of year when we rejoice in the abundance of growth we see around us in summer. Please bring some flowers with you to Mass this weekend, either from your garden or some you may have bought, and the traditional formula will be used to bless them.



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

**If you have not already signed up for
refreshments at Heath Hall, please contact
the Parish Office**

All Welcome

Congratulations to Stewart Guy and Hayley Jones on their Wedding in our Parish on Saturday, 13th August 2022. We wish them every blessing and happiness in their future lives together.



Children's Liturgy of the Word Little Church

It's great that, through the children at the **9.30 a.m. Mass each** Liturgy of the Word together in

This is suitable for **children aged** will listen to the readings/ Gospel of activity. No adults may be DBS checked catechists. The children as they leave church and



generosity of some of our catechists, **Sunday** will be able to celebrate the **Little Church**.

from Reception to Year 4. Children the day followed by a discussion and present in the room other than two children and adults will sanitise their hands 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.***

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:



For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: John Henry Richardson, Anthony John Rimmer, Willie Johnstone, Patrick Dignan, Mary Sheila Kenny, William Robert Keen, Murad Shafik Ghorbal, Catherine Fisher, Michelle Barnes, Roy Southern, Nora Malley, David Hopkins, Vin Keegan, Christine Gillaspay, Michael Quirk, Sally Murray, Joseph Bernard Flaherty, Patrick Joseph Cunliffe, Alf Threlfall, Daniel Walsh, John Kevin Byrne, Haley O'Malley, Margaret Millea, John O'Shea, Marjorie Willman, Eileen Shaw, Anthony Atkinson, Sarah Keeley, Anna Harrison, John Ungi.

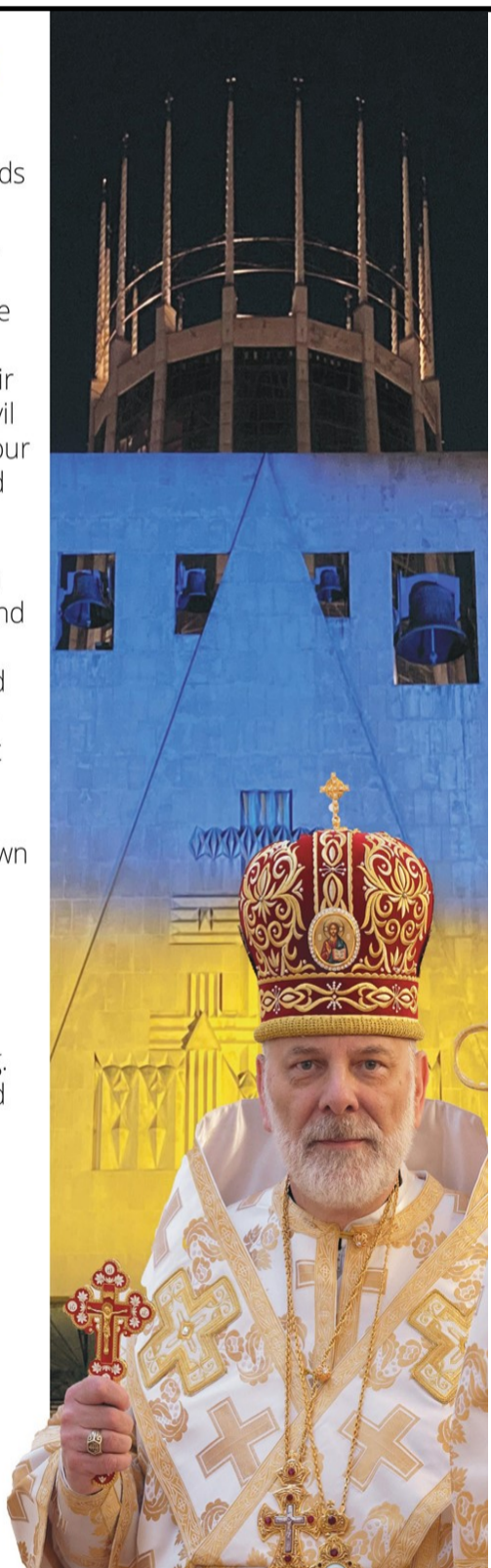
Prayer for Ukraine

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.



Did you know?

CAFOD is the official overseas aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. We work with some of the most hard-to-reach communities around the world and those living in the hardest of circumstances. We believe in tackling the root causes of poverty and this is why we ask our supporters to take part in our campaigns which address poverty and injustice head-on. We encourage people to sign petitions, meet their MPs and contact big businesses etc. Together we've witnessed some historic breakthroughs such as debt relief for struggling countries, action by government on climate change and large companies signing up to ethical agreements. Thank you for joining us in this work. Do have a look at our current campaign which is about food cafod.org.uk/food and help make the world a better place for all.

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**