

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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Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time				Year C Year 2	Sunday 28th August 2022	
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES		MASS INTENTION		
Saturday 27th August	Memorial of St Monica	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Bernard Taylor (Intentions) Pat Soundie (90th Birthday)		
Sunday 28th August	Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	People of the Parish Ethel Burke and Carmel Davies (Anniversaries)		
Monday 29th August	Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist	SFA	10.00am	Service of the Word		
Tuesday 30th August	Memorial of St Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest, Martyr			No Service of the Word		
Wednesday 31st August	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word		
Thursday 1st September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word		
Friday 2nd September	Weekday in Ordinary Time	SFA	9.30am	Service of the Word		
Saturday 3rd September	Feast of St Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor	SFA SFA	10.00am 6.00pm	Derek Checkland (RIP) People of the Parish		
Sunday 4th September	Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time	SFA SFA	9.30am 11.15am	Margaret and Thomas Doyle and Eileen Plummer John and Kevin Cook (Anniversary)		









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....

La Misa y la Mesa: that's a Spanish saying I learnt some years ago. The Mass and the Table means that we celebrate the banquet of the Mass but we also continue the celebration, maybe with a meal at table even. Just as there is ritual in the Mass, so with meals there can be a certain ritual depending on the formality of the occasion. Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived too. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Saint Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, for instance), the people with whom a person ate, whether a person washed before eating, and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it's really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews, in this portion we hear today, is seeking to give some kind of description to what awaits us there at the heavenly banquet. We have to remember that this is the letter to the Hebrews, those who may well have known the Hebrew sacred texts by heart, those who may well have known and understood the liturgy of the Temple in Jerusalem or at least knew the descriptions of those sacred rites in the sacred texts that we call the Old Testament. The heavenly banquet, that which we'll enjoy when we get there, is itself a liturgy prefigured in the liturgy of the Temple and of which we're given a glimpse ourselves in our liturgy, the liturgy of the Church. The heavenly liturgy may have been nothing known to the senses, yet if we are to have this glimpse of the ineffable, the otherness that is God and heaven, then we need to have our senses stimulated. Sound, sight, smell, touch and taste will all form part of our liturgy, allowing us as human beings this glimpse of heaven.

Jesus knows this of us as human beings all too well and warns banquet guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It's advice on how to find our true place in the Kingdom of God. We're invited to see the true pecking order in this Kingdom and where real blessings can be found. This is a vision for a good society, not just an orderly dining room. This is yet another example of the reversal of things this Kingdom of God will bring about and into which we're invited.

Fr. Joe



We pray for Elliot Mark Tracey, Poppy Louise Daniels and Lilly Mae Elizabeth Daniels 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

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: https://www.cbcew.org.uk/st-bernadette-relic-tour-2022/

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/



Message from Fr. Joe

Thank you very much to all those who worked so hard to make the Farewell Mass and celebration such a special occasion. It was really quite overwhelming to have the opportunity to celebrate with so many people who have been an important part of my life here in Saint Wilfrid's for ten years and show what a wonderful parish this is.

Thanks too for all the cards, messages and gifts that I've received recently too. It is very kind of you all.

Fr. Joe's contact details are as follows:

El Colegio de San Albano, Calle Don Sancho, 22 47002 Valladolid Spain

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents who have completed the Baptism preparation course and need to arrange 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 aged**will listen to the readings/ Gospel of
activity. No adults may be
DBS checked catechists. The chilhands as they leave church and

If any person over 18 years of age

from Reception to Year 4. Children the day followed by a discussion and present in the room other than two dren and adults will sanitise their again when returning to church.

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, Fred Keegan, Eithne McCormack.



Those who have recently died: Mike Doyle.

For those whose anniversaries which occur at this time: Morgan Burke, Michael Healy, Ann Pauline Gillat, Vera Naughalty, Augustine Harris, Margaret Mason, Gary Jackson, Christine Rose Mee, Agnes Flynn, Margaret Hoctor, May Howard, Rose Burke, James Flynn, Carol Ann Woods, Winnie Clark, Esther Williams, Anthony Neary, Winifred Wang, Norman Rigg, Susan Veronica Linden, Carrie Lord, John William Redmond, Larry Quirk, Janice Ann Parry, Patricia Tarty, Fr Gerald Hughes OSB, David Lowe, John Langton, Frankie Tarabeia, Kirsten Kiser, Christine Lathom.

Days of prayer for Ukraine

On Wednesday 14 September, the Council of the Bishops' Conferences of Europe has proposed a day of prayer across Europe for Ukraine and the Council has asked that cathedrals and other major churches host a period of Eucharistic adoration.

In response, the Metropolitan Cathedral will be having a period of exposition from 4pm-5pm that day and then Mass for peace in Ukraine will be celebrated at 5pm.

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 at this time and always.

LOYOLA CERTIFICATE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY FINAL CALL FOR APPLICATIONS:

A few places have become available on the popular and practical Loyola Certificate in Pastoral Ministry beginning in September 2022. Designed with busy people in mind, it's a structured online modular course to inspire you on your own pastoral journey within your parish. It is a non-credit programme that runs for 2 years and has been created to equip and empower people to develop their ministries.

Contact Elizabeth Parsons, Training Coordinator on 0151 522 1023 or loyola@rcaol.org.uk. For more information, visit www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/loyola

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

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

Abolition of the Death Penalty

We pray that the death penalty,
which attacks the dignity of the
human person, may be legally abolished in
every country

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