



# The Parish of St Wilfrid, Newsletter

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

**Holy Trinity, St Francis of Assisi, St Bernadette, St Austin**



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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord			Year A Year 1	Sunday 2nd April 2023
DAY	FEAST	LITURGY TIMES	MASS INTENTION	
Saturday 1st April 2023	Vigil Mass of Sunday	5.15pm 6.00pm	Confessions Vigil Mass with Blessing of Palms (Maureen O'Donnell)	
Sunday 2nd April 2023	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</b>	8.45am 9.30am 11.15am	Confessions Mass with the Blessing of Palms (Parishioners) Mass with the Blessing of Palms (For One Sick)	
Monday 3rd April 2023	Weekday of Lent	<b>10.15am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass of John Doyle</b>	
Tuesday 4th April 2023	Weekday of Lent	8.30am 9.10am 9.30am <b>7.30pm</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Morning Prayer Mass (Mary Elliott) <b>Lent Penitential Service</b>	
Wednesday 5th April 2023	Weekday of Lent	8.30am 9.10am 9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Morning Prayer Mass (Mary Hendrick)	
Thursday 6th April 2023	<b>Sacred Paschal Triduum Maundy Thursday</b>	9.00am <b>7.30pm</b> 8.45- 10.00	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer <b>Mass of the Last Supper</b> (Edward Tweedley) Watching at the Altar of Repose, starting with Night Prayer	
Friday 7th April 2023	<b>Good Friday</b>	9.00am 9.30- 10.00 12.00 Noon <b>3.00pm</b>	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Confessions Stations of the Cross <b>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</b>	
Saturday 8th April 2023	<b>Holy Saturday</b>	9.00am 9.30-10.00 8.00pm	Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Confessions <b>Easter Vigil</b> (Parishioners)	
Sunday 9th April 2023	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	08.45am 9.30am 11.15am	Confessions Mass of the Resurrection (Holy Father's Intentions) Mass of the Resurrection (In Thanksgiving)	

## **PALM SUNDAY & BEYOND**

Did you know that Palm Sunday is known in Wales as **Flowering Sunday** ("Sul y Blodau" in Welsh)? This is because people traditionally decorate the graves of their loved ones with spring flowers on this day, as a reminder that, on the Last Day, the dead will rise from their graves to share fully in the Resurrection of Christ. The liturgies of Holy Week, which begin on Palm Sunday, are the moment when we follow Jesus through His Passion and Death to the glory of His Resurrection, from darkness to light. Please note the times of our Triduum services and come to as many of them as you can.

## **LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE**

Our Reconciliation Service for Lent, which includes Confession, takes place this **Tuesday 4 April at 7.30 pm**. Fr Stephen Pritchard and Fr Jonathan Brown will be assisting me. Please note also the other opportunities for Confessions this week, on Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

## **COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY**

After the Passion Service on Good Friday, there will be a collection in support of the Holy Places in Jerusalem : the shrines associated with the life, death and Resurrection of Our Lord.

## **GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS**

This year's ecumenical Good Friday Walk of Witness begins at **Garston Market** on Speke Rd at **11.15 am** on **Friday 7 April**. If you want to walk to Garston Market with Deacon Paul and other parishioner's, please meet at the church gates at **10.45am** to walk there together as a parish. All are warmly invited to take part.

## **EASTER FLOWERS**

Any donations towards the cost of church flowers for Easter can be handed in after Mass or brought to the presbytery. They will be gratefully received.

## **EASTER OFFERINGS**

All monies (loose or in envelopes) collected at the Easter Vigil, and at both Masses on Easter Sunday, are for the benefit of the parish priest. The same applies to "Easter Offering" envelopes handed in at other times.

**COLLECTIONS** Offertory 19th March **£722.36**; Offertory 26th March **£803.26**

Nugent 19th March **£475.09**

**ONLINE GIVING JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2023** £366.46

**GOOD FRIDAY 7th APRIL** Retiring Collection for the Holy Places

## **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS**

Online and in person An opportunity to deepen your life and faith as a couple through this retreat. The next date available is 13 and 14 May 2023. The programme is delivered by experienced laity couples and a priest and is supported by the Bishops Conference. Full details of these experiences can be found on their website: <https://wwme.org.uk>.

Further dates include **10/11 June 2023** (Non-residential Macclesfield)

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION (ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS)**

These further weekends are also available **22-29 April 2023** (online over two Saturdays) and cost **£75**.

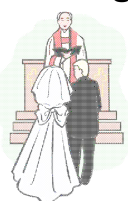
For more details, please visit: <https://engaged-encounter.org.uk/book-a-weekend/>

### **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 5.15 to 5.45pm  
Sunday 8.45 to 9.15am

### **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

## Other News & Information with Dates for Your Diary



### **PASSIONTIDE**



The veiled crucifixes and statues in church are a visual reminder that we are now entering the second phase of Lent, known as Passiontide.

This is a period of closer focus on the redemptive sufferings of Christ, and the dramatic story of His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Try to come to church on as many days as possible during this two-week period.

Our main services for the Easter Triduum will be as follows :

**Mass of the Last Supper at 7.30 pm on Maundy Thursday 6th April**

**Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3.00 pm on Good Friday 7th April**

**Easter Vigil at 8.30 pm on Holy Saturday 8th April**

### **HOLY COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS**

The Archbishop has announced that it will be possible to receive Holy Communion under both kinds with effect from **Maundy Thursday 6 April**. Those who prefer to receive under one kind only, for health reasons or other reasons, will still be able to do so.

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word Little Church**

*Just a reminder that Little Church is open to all children aged 4 years to 10 years. In line with safeguarding regulations only registered adults who have an enhanced DBS certification are allowed to accompany the children. If you have any queries please speak to Kathy Baird (catechist) or Colette Abbott (Parish safeguarding officer)*

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 4 to 10**. Children will listen to the readings/ Gospel of the day followed by a discussion and activity. No more than two DBS checked catechists. Hands as they leave church and *If any person over 18 years of age would be prepared to volunteer their services to help out on a rota basis much appreciated. **Please give your name and contact details to the Parish Office by email or by***



adults may be present in the room other than the children and adults will sanitise their hands again when returning to church. *would be prepared to volunteer their (subject to a DBS check) that would be very **your name and contact details to the phone.***



## For those who are sick:



Sean Armstrong, Joseph Ball, Linda Barry, 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, John Riding, Paul Connor, Chris Doyle, Kenneth Shillcock, Robert Jost, Pat Toner, Jane Shanley, Gore Davitan, Keith Garcia, Tracy Hobson, Michael Peter Holmes, Christopher Brown, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Michael Holmes, Susie Bell, Barbara Brooks, Pam Foster, James Dutton, David Brookfield, Shannon McGrath, Fred Keegan, Eithne McCormack, Kay Smith, Bob Cramsie, Roger Cottrell, Ann & John Davies. Pauline Preston, Pat Threlfall.



**Condolences:** Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of **John Doyle**, whose Requiem will be celebrated on Monday. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Martin Stephen Lawrence** was born asleep on the 15th March and his funeral was celebrated here recently. We offer our deep sympathy to Martin Stephen's parents, John and Geraldine and to their other children Shanice, John Gerard and Kadianna.



**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Patricia Bernstein, Lynn Curreton, Mary Ryan, Jane Teresa McGarrity, William Ronald Ash, Teresa Byrne, John Leslie Moses, Edward Tweedley, Eileen Patricia Brady, Dorothy Trelford, V.J. Brown, Edward Joseph McGuinness, Diane Brown, John Raymond Speed, Viktor Gelezinis, Mary Murphy, Christine Jeanne Shannon, Brian Edward Holland (SB), Margaret Jones, Teresa Fagan, Jack Keogh, Tom Rogers, John Hanlon, Millie McClemens, Mary Smith, Alice Bushell, Joan Simpson, Denis Hendrick, Terence O'Hara, Mary Buckley.

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

#### For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



#### Appeal to knitters

I have had an appeal from Aintree Intensive Care for knitted hearts. When someone passes away in intensive care they place a knitted heart in their hand and give the family one too. The relatives really cherish these. They had huge donations during lockdown but have now run out. If you could spare the time to knit a red, blue or pink heart I know they would be very grateful. Copies of the pattern have been left at the back of the church. For further information please contact **Steff Hudson of the SVP on 07933734292**



#### Baby Basics

Is an initiative whereby Moses' baskets are filled with items for mother and baby and distributed to new mothers and their babies in need. We have decided to mark Lent by leaving a Moses' basket again at the back of the church for donations of any of the following items: **First Size Nappies, Baby Wipes, Maternity Pads, Baby Shampoo, Baby Wash, Baby Lotion, Adult Shampoo, Adult Shower Gel, Baby Toothbrush, Baby Toothpaste, Baby Towels, Baby Blankets, New-born and 0 – 3 Month Clothing.**

**Thank you in advance for your donations which will be gratefully received**

### 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.

#### Piety Stall

Gifts and cards are available from the Piety stall. There is a fantastic range to choose from at very reasonable prices, so stock up now and support our church.

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