

ST WILFRID'S, GARSTON / ALLERTON / GRASSENDALE

18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

2 AUGUST 2026

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MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday 1 August (Vigil Mass)

- 9.10 Rosary
- 9.30 Mass (Lancashire Infirm Secular Clergy Fund)
- 5.15 Confessions
- 6.00 Vigil Mass (Parishioners)

Sunday 2 August (18th Sunday of Ordinary Time A)

- 8.45 Confessions
- 9.30 Mass (Tadeusz & Alice Kabluczenko)
- 11.30 Mass (Audrey Slack)
- 12.45 Baptisms

Monday 3 August

- 8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.10 Morning Prayer
- 9.30 Mass (Norma Potter)

Tuesday 4 August (St John Vianney, Priest)

- 8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.10 Morning Prayer
- 9.30 Mass (Carmel Grunes)

Wednesday 5 August (Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major)

- 8.30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9.10 Morning Prayer
- 9.30 Mass (Geoffrey Slack)
- 12.00 Funeral Service of Esther Williams Harwood**

Thursday 6 August (Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord A)

- 8.00 Mass** (Maureen Boden)

Friday 7 August (St Sixtus II, Pope, & Companions, Martyrs)

- 8.00 Mass** (Ann Lawrence)

Saturday 8 August (St Dominic, Priest)

- 9.10 Rosary
- 9.30 Mass (Brendan Moore)
- 5.15 Confessions
- 6.00 Vigil Mass (Lynn Connor)

Next Sunday 9 August (19th Sunday of Ordinary Time A)

8.45 Confessions

9.30 Mass (Parishioners)

11.30 Mass (Yvonne Kirwan)

12.45 Baptisms

SICK LIST

Sean Armstrong, Linda Barry, Mary O'Neill, Nicholas Cavanagh, Eileen Fowler, Chris Doyle, Keith Garcia, Michael Peter Holmes, Philip Hendrick, Dorothy Lynch, Fred Keegan, Pauline Preston, Pat Threlfall, Julia Robertson, Pat Craig, Peter Jeffrey, Grace Astbury, Gerard Doyle, David Linford, Anne Davies

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to **Etta Conneely** and **Toby Murphy**, who will be baptized today.

CONDOLENCES

We offer our condolences to the family of **Esther Williams Harwood**, whose funeral will be celebrated on Wednesday. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

THANKS

I would like to thank Fr John Conroy for celebrating the Masses last weekend, when I (and 33 other priests of the Archdiocese) were in Lourdes for the annual pilgrimage.

ASSISTED DYING BILL

The Assisted Dying legislation is being re-presented to the House of Commons after failing to become law recently. Archbishop Sherrington is encouraging us to write to our Member of Parliament indicating our continuing opposition, and that of the Catholic Church, to this reckless and pernicious proposal. If you are uncertain who your MP is, visit **members.parliament.uk** and enter your postcode when prompted to do so. It is encouraging that the new Prime Minister has said that social care should be fixed before assisted dying is debated, but that should not prevent us from making our voice heard at this time on such a crucial matter.

PILKINGTON CHOIR CONCERT

A reminder that, as part of our celebration of the 800th anniversary of St Francis of Assisi on **Sunday 4 October**, the Pilkington Choir will be giving a concert in our church at **6.00 pm**. This will be followed by refreshments in the Meeting Room. The Pilkington Choir was founded in St Helens in 1956, and I was recently privileged to attend their Platinum Jubilee Concert at the church of St Austin, Thatto Heath. They have long performed extensively in St Helens and the surrounding area (e.g. Ashton-in-Makerfield). As far as anyone knows, this will be the first time they have given a concert in Liverpool. Tickets will be available from the weekend of **22/23 August** at the price of £5 each (to support the choir). There will also be a raffle as part of the proceedings. Further details to follow about ticketing and the raffle.

N.b. earlier in the day on 4 October, Archbishop John Sherrington will celebrate our 11.30 am Mass.

