

The Parish of Blessed James Bell

Serving St Benedict's, St Mary's & St Oswald's, Warrington



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 18 November 2018

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)



Our Benedictine Heritage

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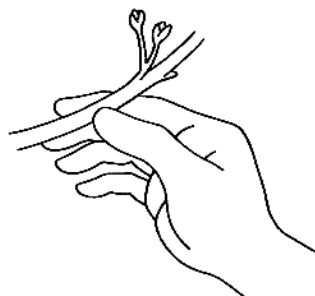
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St Benedict's Church is open Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 4.30 pm for Private Prayer (Exc. Bank Holidays)

St Benedict's & St Oswald's Masses & Services 18 - 25 November 2018		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 18 November <i>33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)</i> World Day of the Poor	10.30 am First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>The Parishioners</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>Kathleen Postlethwaite</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Joseph McEvoy</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 19 November	2.30 pm Funeral Service at Howe Bridge <i>(Mrs Olive Jones)</i>	7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 20 November	11.30 am Exposition 12.15 pm Mass <i>Pope Francis</i>	9.30 am Mass (with Y3 & Y4) <i>Kathleen Gray</i>
	7.30 pm Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots at St Alban's	
Wednesday 21 November <i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.45 am Mass <i>Lizzie Quinn</i>	
Thursday 22 November <i>St Cecilia</i>		9.30 am Mass <i>Gary Newlove</i> 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 23 November	12.15 pm Mass <i>Josephine Clare</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 24 November <i>St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions</i>	4.00 pm Slovak Mass	10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i>
Sunday 25 November <i>Solemnity of Christ the King (B)</i> Youth Sunday	10.30 am Mass <i>Mrs Soraghan</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Brenda Malone</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Weekdays 11.40 am - 12.05 pm St Mary's Shrine
 Tuesday 11.30 am - 12.05 pm St Benedict's*
 Saturday 10.00 am - 11.45 am St Mary's Shrine*
 5.15 pm - 5.45 pm St Oswald's

*With Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

WEBSITES Parish: www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk

St Mary's: www.fssp.co.uk/warrington



St Mary's Shrine, Buttermarket Street, Warrington WA1 2NS

Telephone: 01925 635664 Website: www.fssp.co.uk/warrington

Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

Rector: Fr de Malleray FSSP malleray@fssp.org Assistant: Fr Konrad Loewenstein FSSP padrek@libero.it

Assistant: Fr Ian Verrier FSSP iverrier@fssp.org

LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM (with translations)

Holy Mass <i>Sunday</i> 11.00 am & 6.00 pm <i>Monday to Saturday</i> 12.10 pm	Confessions <i>Everyday</i> 30 minutes before Mass <i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 11.45 am	Adoration & Benediction <i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 12.00 noon	Holy Rosary <i>Sunday</i> 5.30 pm <i>Monday to Saturday</i> 11.30 am
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THIS WEEK

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

In his apostolic letter to close the Year of Mercy in 2016, Pope Francis suggested the Catholic Church set aside one day each year when communities can “reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel.” He designated this day as the “World Day of the Poor” to be celebrated on the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time each year. Today (Sunday) is the second World Day of the Poor.



**Loving God,
open our ears to hear you
in the cry of those living in poverty.
Open our eyes to see you
in the lives of the oppressed.
Open our hearts to meet you in others
and to respond with mercy and compassion.
Pour out on us your grace,
so that we may grow as your faithful people,
always seeking your kingdom of truth,
justice and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

FIRST COMMUNION



A very warm welcome to the children in Year 4, and their parents and families, who are joining us for Mass this weekend as they begin their preparation for First Communion.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS

The Pastoral Area Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots, continues this Tuesday, 20 November, at 7.30 pm. This month, the Novena will be at St Alban's.

Theme: Undoing the Knots of Ill-Health.



COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

The second orientation evening for all those who have offered to help with the resettlement of a refugee family from Syria will take place this Wednesday, 21 November, at 7.00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. At the meeting, two refugees will share their experience of coming to the UK and there will be a presentation on what life is like in Syria. If you have not signed up to help but would be interested in attending the meeting, you will be very welcome. *Fr Dave*

NEW PARISH BANK ACCOUNT

The three former parish bank accounts have now merged into one new parish bank account. So, from now on, any cheques should be made payable to **Blessed James Bell**.

If you had a **standing order** with one of the previous accounts and would like to continue making donations by standing order, you will need to complete a new standing order mandate if you have not already done so. Simply contact Celia in the Parish Office and she will give you a new mandate to complete. Many thanks. *Fr Dave*

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WHY WE NEED MORE DEACONS

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will host an evening for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as deacons and what the formation involves. Wives, priests and deacons are also welcome. Tuesday 20 November, 7.30 – 9.00 pm, at St Mary's Parish Centre, Broadfield Drive, Leyland PR25 1PD. Refreshments available from 7.00 pm.

MASS TO REMEMBER CHILDREN

The Annual Mass to Remember Children who died before or during birth, or anytime afterwards will take place on Tuesday 4 December at 7.00 pm in St Benedict's. The Mass will be a gentle celebration for all the children we miss so much. During the Mass, there will be an opportunity to light a candle for the baby, child or teenager you may be remembering and for their names to be read out during the Eucharist. If you know someone who might appreciate an invitation, please let them know about the Mass. Thank you.

WEBSITE ADDRESS

The Parish website has a new address:
www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk For the time being, you can still reach the

Archdiocesan Mission Statement

“Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world to proclaim the Good News to the whole of creation.”

CAFOD FUN RUN

Want to do something special after Christmas? Please come with family and friends to the 35th CAFOD Fun Run on Thursday 27 December at Wavertree Athletics Centre and Park, Liverpool L15 4LE to run, or walk (or toddle or walk the dog!) for those who are in most need. Distances 6km or 3km run or 2km walk. Registration from 12.00 noon and the fun starts at 1.00 pm! Full details and sponsorship form from Colette and Ged at liverpool@cafod.org.uk or 0151 228 4028.

ADVENT 2018

ADVENT COLLECTIONS

This year's Advent Collections begin today and will run for four weeks:

a) A **'Caritas' Collection** – *'Caritas' is the Latin word for 'charity'*. We are appealing for donations of money or tokens to be used to help those most in need in our community, i.e. providing the basics we take for granted for individuals and families who are struggling financially or in debt (e.g. food, clothing, bus fares for a month, Christmas presents for children, etc).

b) A **'St Francis' Collection** – Dog and puppy, cat and kitten food, treats and toys to help Warrington Animal Welfare care for the enormous number of animals that are tragically abandoned over the Christmas period. Thank you so much for your kindness. *Fr Dave*



SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Parish SVP are hosting a Christmas Party for Senior Citizens on Sunday 9 December, 1.00 – 4.00 pm, in St Oswald's Parish Centre. The afternoon will include good food, a game of bingo, a Banjo Band and lots more. If you would like to come along, please sign the sheet at the back of church (or ask someone to sign it for you). If you need transport, please contact John Lawless (07765 496957). Many thanks.

CHRISTMAS FAIR'S

St Oswald's Catholic Primary School
Sunday 2 December, 11.00 am – 3.00 pm

St Benedict's Catholic Primary School
Tuesday 4 December, 3.00 – 5.00 pm



CHRISTMAS DINNER

This year, we are providing a 'Christmas Dinner' on Christmas Day for those who would like a little company, individuals and families who are struggling, and anyone who would simply appreciate a hot meal on Christmas Day. The meal will be in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Benedict's, 12.00 – 2.00 pm. If you would like to come or if you are able to help in any way, please phone Celia in the Parish Office. Thank you.

SYNOD 2020

Open Meetings

– Sharing the vision of Synod 2020

Over the last two weeks, Open Meetings have been held across the Archdiocese



so that parishioners can learn more about the Archdiocesan Synod.

Those present at these lively events heard something of the vision that inspires our Synod journey of prayer, listening, discerning and planning. Archbishop Malcolm recognises that the Holy Spirit is at work in the people, deacons, religious, priests and bishops of the Archdiocese and that is why he has called a Synod. It is by listening to everyone, and all of us playing our part, that we will hear the call of God guiding us and walking with us on our journey to become the Church we are called to be.

The journey to 2020 was outlined too. The focus this year is on Listening and Discernment. Next year, all this listening will be digested into themes and proposals that will go forward to be voted on in October 2020.

Matt, the Synod Co-ordinator, explained a little about how Synod Membership is established and the efforts that are being made to ensure that the Membership reflects the rich diversity of the people of our Archdiocese.

Other questions explored issues as varied as ensuring the process is fully accessible, the particular questions that may be asked during the listening, how people will be kept informed about progress, and how issues that are beyond the remit of the Synod will be dealt with.

To find out more about the Synod, check out the website:

www.synod2020.co.uk

Nominating our Parish Synod Member

Each parish in the Archdiocese has been asked to choose one member of the parish community to be their Synod Member. This person will coordinate local listening and discernment, will keep the parish informed about the progress of the Synod, will be a local point of contact for parishioners, and will attend the Synod and all the preparatory meetings leading up to October 2020.

If you would like to nominate someone to be the Synod Member for our Parish of Blessed James Bell, please check with the person first and then complete one of the nomination forms which can be found at the back of church. There is also a sheet outlining the role and expectations of a Synod Member. **Deadline for nominations: 30 November 2018.**

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Ruth Ramsay and Team for the hours they spent decorating the sanctuary at St Benedict's so beautifully for last Sunday's historic Remembrance Day, and for the 'Peace Party' in the Parish Centre afterwards. So many people have said how much they enjoyed the party and were deeply moved by the displays in church. Thank you all so much. *Fr Dave*

NEWS IN BRIEF

See noticeboards for:

Executive Assistant to the Chief Operating Office at LACE
'Preparing for Christmas' – Advent Course at Blessed John Henry Newman Church

Warrington Regeneration Project

SAFEGUARDING IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF US ALL!

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Celia Baxter, Doreane Child,
Clare Fraser & Claire Lancaster

Telephone (01925) 630127

If you believe that a child or vulnerable adult has suffered or is in immediate risk of suffering significant harm, for example, physical or sexual assault or theft of their property, then you should

QUOTES FROM POPE FRANCIS

“Sunday is a holy day for us, sanctified by the celebration of the Eucharist, which is the living presence of the Lord among us and for us.”

11 November

“The first step to knowing Jesus Christ is to recognise our own poverty and our need to be saved.”

13 November

PARISH LUNCH CLUB

The Lunch Club takes place Tuesday, 20 November, from 12 – 2.30 pm at St Benedict’s Parish Centre for parishioners and friends - with lunch, music, bingo. Tickets for December’s Christmas Lunch are available for £5.00 at Tuesday’s Lunch. *Tuesday price £3.00.*

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict’s Ethan O’Riordan
St Oswald’s Amelia Webb

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

St Benedict’s Paul Vernon, Jean Molphy, Anne Hill, Susan Keating, Ann Brown, Bill Hampson, Peter Milner, James Malone, Vera Brindle, Pat Buist, Thomas Ireland, Matilde Valentine, Brenda Snelson, Syd Bradshaw, Sandra Richardson, Kate Rigby, Ged Wallace, Margaret Russell-Cruise, Barbara Edmondson

St Mary’s Luciano Bartolo

St Oswald’s Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Jo Roberts, Sam Johnson, Betty Mannion, Margaret Watts (nee McGinty), Mike McCarrick, Doreen Thurston

Other Parishes Margaret Fay, Catherine Donaldson, Laurence Finn, Fr John Gildea, Fr Malcolm Prince, Alan Brompton, Mgr Austin Hunt, Steven Brandl, Rebekah Stone (age 12)

Those who have died recently, especially:

St Oswald’s Olive Jones



This Week’s Prayer Intentions

- † As Christ’s Church, may we hear the cry of the poor, be attentive to their needs and embrace them as brothers and sisters.
- † For the migrants travelling through Mexico and the many Rohingya afraid to return to Myanmar.
- † For all who have been killed or injured on our roads, for their loved ones, and for the emergency services who deal with horrific incidents everyday.
- † For those who are sick or suffering – may they know the healing touch of God’s love.
- † For our beloved dead, especially those on the Pious Lists.

If you would like to add a parishioner to the prayer list, please check with them first and then email Fr Dave on frdave@rcaolp.co.uk or give him a note of their name and phone number. Many thanks.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)
Weekdays - Year 2, Week 33
Divine Office - Psalter Week 1

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

Dan 7: 13-14; Apoc 1: 5-8;
Jn 18: 33-37

ST BENEDICT’S - 200 CLUB WINNER
11 November: No. 25 Mary Hinchliffe

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please ensure the Parish Office receives items for the Newsletter by Wednesday at the latest. Tel: 630127

ST OSWALD’S PARISH CENTRE
Padgate Lane, Warrington, WA1 3LB

The Week Ahead

Sunday 9.00 pm Quiz – Concert Room
Monday 2.00 pm Sequence Dancing
Wednesday 8.00 pm Bingo

For Bookings call 07932 404364 before 7 pm, or 812266

PARISH FINANCE

Total Offertory Collection for 11 November 2018

St Benedict’s £489.17 (£303.00 GA)
St Oswald’s £558.74 (£248.60 GA)
Standing Orders £220.92 (£214.00 GA)
PARISH TOTAL: £1268.83 (£765.60 GA)

OTHER INCOME

Poor Box: £121.01
Priest Training Fund £177.63
(from Pious Lists so far)

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK
Animate Youth Ministries

ST BENEDICT’S PARISH CENTRE
Rhodes Street, Warrington, WA2 7QE

The Week Ahead

Sunday 8.30 pm Cabaret
Monday 6.00 pm Rainbows
7.45 pm Bingo
Tuesday 12 - 2.30 pm Parish Lunch Club
Wednesday 7.00 pm Drama - Rainbow room
Thursday 7.30 pm Line Dancing

For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920