

# The Parish of Blessed James Bell

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool



Our Benedictine Heritage

## Newsletter

Sunday 9 December 2018

Second Sunday of Advent (C)

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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 9 - 16 December 2018

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 9 December</b> <i>Second Sunday of Advent (C)</i> Bible Sunday	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i>	<b>(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Kathleen Postlethwaite</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Peter King</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 10 December</b>		<b>7.30 pm Prayer Group</b>
<b>Tuesday 11 December</b>	<b>11.30 am Exposition</b> <b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Julie Spriggs</i>	<i>(No 9.30 am Mass)</i> <b>9.30 am Infant Christmas Production</b> <b>2.00 pm Junior Christmas Production</b>
<b>Wednesday 12 December</b>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Peter Dewane</i>	<b>2.00 pm Infant Christmas Production</b> <b>6.00 pm Junior Christmas Production</b>
<b>Thursday 13 December</b> <i>St Lucy</i>	<b>2.00 pm Mass at Ryfields</b>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Jo &amp; Barry Thompson</i> <b>7.30 pm Novena</b>
<b>Friday 14 December</b> <i>St John of the Cross</i>		<b>10.00 am Funeral Service</b> <i>(John Glanville)</i>
	<b>12 noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's</b>	
	<b>6.45 pm Meditation</b>	
<b>Saturday 15 December</b>	<b>4.00 pm Slovak Mass</b>	<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>6.00 pm First Communion</b> <b>Preparation Mass (2)</b> <i>The Parishioners</i>
<b>Sunday 16 December</b> <i>Third Sunday of Advent (C)</i> Gaudete Sunday	<b>10.30 am First Communion</b> <b>Preparation Mass (2)</b> <i>Rosalee Bostock</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Fr Nicholas Hird</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b> <b>6.30 pm Youth Alive Mass</b>



### 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](http://www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk)

St Mary's: [www.fssp.co.uk/warrington](http://www.fssp.co.uk/warrington)



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

Telephone: 01925 635664 Website: [www.fssp.co.uk/warrington](http://www.fssp.co.uk/warrington)

Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

Rector: Fr de Malleray FSSP [malleray@fssp.org](mailto:malleray@fssp.org) Assistant: Fr Konrad Loewenstein FSSP [padrek@libero.it](mailto:padrek@libero.it)

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**LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM (with translations)**

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

**GATHERING SONG**

Word of justice, Alleluia, come to dwell here. Maranatha!

Word of mercy, Alleluia, live among us. Maranatha!

Word of power, Alleluia, live within us. Maranatha!

Word of freedom, Alleluia, save your people. Maranatha!

Word of healing, Alleluia, heal our sorrow. Maranatha!

Word of comfort, Alleluia, bring us hope now. Maranatha!

Word of gladness, Alleluia, fill our hearts now. Maranatha!

Word of wisdom, Alleluia, come renew us. Maranatha!

Word we long for, Alleluia, Word we thirst for, Maranatha!

Key of David, Alleluia, Son of Mary, Maranatha!

Promised Saviour, Alleluia, true Messiah, Maranatha!

Cry of prophets, Alleluia, hope of ages, Maranatha!

Light of nations, Alleluia, light in darkness, Maranatha!

Risen Saviour, Alleluia, Lord of glory, Maranatha!

You we long for, Alleluia, you we thirst for, Maranatha!

Here among us, Alleluia, living in us, Maranatha!

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**READERS**

Today is 'Bible Sunday'. It's a good opportunity to invite Readers to renew their commitment to proclaiming the Word of God at Mass. So, at each of the Masses this weekend, Readers will be invited to come forward after the Homily to renew their commitment. This little ceremony also gives us an opportunity to pray for our Readers and to thank them for the important ministry they share with us.



**SVP CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

The annual SVP Christmas Collection will take place this weekend. All monies collected by the SVP go to help those who are most in need in our communities.

**SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Parish SVP are hosting a Christmas Party for Senior Citizens today (Sunday), 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.

**SOUP LUNCH**

The Soup Lunch takes place this Tuesday at 1.00 pm in the Sacristy at St Benedict's. Come and enjoy some homemade soup followed by a traditional pudding and a cuppa for only £2.50. To order a takeaway, call 01925 630127 by 11.00 am on Tuesday.

**APPEAL FOR FUNDRAISING PRIZES**

Do you have anything you could spare i.e. Smellies, Chocolates, Wine etc. to donate to help raise funds for Parish projects? Any donations would be gratefully received by Mike and Angela Birchall or the parish office. *Thank you.*

**LADIES GROUP**

The Ladies Group will meet on Thursday 13 December at 8.15 pm in the Lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre for a **Christmas evening**. (*Don't forget your cards and gifts.*)

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY**

Each year, on the third Sunday of Advent, children and adults bring their Baby Jesus figures from their Crib at home to St Peter's Square where the Pope blesses the figurines during the Angelus. Next weekend, we will celebrate this tradition known as 'Bambinelli Sunday'. So you are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figure to Mass next weekend and Fr Dave will bless them.

**FIRST COMMUNION**

Children in Year 4, who are preparing to celebrate First Communion next year, are invited to come to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Preparation Mass with their parents/carers next weekend:



**St Oswald's – Saturday 15 December at 6.00 pm**

**St Benedict's – Sunday 16 December at 10.30 am**

Parents: If you cannot attend one of the Masses next weekend, you must contact Fr Dave directly this week. Thank you.

**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."



**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 contact the Police immediately.*

**QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS**

“There is no such thing as the perfect family. Only by the daily exercise of forgiveness can a family grow.”

1 December

**PEER TALK SUPPORT GROUP**

Warrington’s peer support group for anyone facing depression or a related mental health condition runs weekly at The Gateway, 89 Sankey Street, Warrington, every Monday evening at 7.00 pm. It’s free and offers a safe space to offload, **to be heard and to receive support to help work through difficult times. No need to book or be referred.** For more information visit: [www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/supprt-groups](http://www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/supprt-groups)

**LET US HOLD IN PRAYER**



**Those who will be Baptised this weekend:**

St Oswald’s Monika Opara

**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, Rebekah Stone (age 12)

**Those who have died recently, especially:**

St Oswald’s John Glanville, Irene Price

St Benedict’s Baby Hana Sadkowska (3 months old)



**A Prayer before sending Christmas Cards**

Blest are you, Lord, our God and Father.  
You have graced our lives with friends and relatives near and far.  
May these Christmas cards arrive at their destinations as signs of affection and as tokens of peace.  
Send your Son to reign in glory among us.  
He will lead us all to glad reunion in your holy city, where we will sing your praise for ever and ever.  
Amen.



*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](mailto:frdave@rcaolp.co.uk) or give him a note of their name and phone number. Many thanks.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Sunday - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (C)  
Weekdays - Week 2 of Advent  
Divine Office - Psalter Week 2

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS**

Is 61: 1-2, 10-11; 1 Thess 5: 16-24  
Jn 1: 6-8, 19-28

**ST BENEDICT’S - 200 CLUB WINNER**

18 Nov: (93) J Hackwell;  
25 Nov: (20) J Morris; 2 Dec: (18) M Hines

**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
	7.00 pm	Line Dancing
Wednesday	8.00 pm	Bingo
Thursday	8.15 pm	Ladies Group - Lounge

For Bookings call 07932 404364 before 7 pm, or 812266

**PARISH FINANCE**

**Total Offertory Collection for 2 December 2018**

St Benedict’s	£391.19	(£209.00 GA)
St Oswald’s	£481.53	(£232.00 GA)
Standing Orders	£56.88	(£49.96 GA)
<b>PARISH TOTAL:</b>	<b>£929.60</b>	<b>(£490.96 GA)</b>

**OTHER INCOME**

Advent Caritas	£1407.07 so far
<i>(Donations can be given until 16 Dec)</i>	
Poor Box	£60.03

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

This Week: SVP Christmas Collection  
Animate Youth £21.00

*Thank you so much for your generosity*

**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
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Drama - Rainbow room
Thursday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing

For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920