

# 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 3 February 2019

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (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 3 - 10 February 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 3 February</b> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i>	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>Colin Cooper</i>	<b>(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners &amp; Tony Edwards</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Maria Maguire</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 4 February</b>		<b>7.30 pm Prayer Group</b>
<b>Tuesday 5 February</b> <i>St Agatha</i>	<b>11.30 am Exposition</b> <b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>
<b>Wednesday 6 February</b> <i>St Paul Miki &amp; Companions</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Colin Cooper</i>	
<b>Thursday 7 February</b>		<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>John Morris</i> <b>4.00 pm Novena</b>
<b>Friday 8 February</b> <i>Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking</i>	<b>12.00 noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's</b>	
	<b>2.00 pm Wedding Mass</b> <i>Maxine Tempest &amp; Michael Naughton</i> <b>6.45 pm Meditation</b>	
<b>Saturday 9 February</b>	<b>4.00 pm Slovak Mass</b>	<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>12.30 pm Wedding Service</b> <i>Leanne Fitton &amp; Mark Tyrer</i> <b>6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Carole Lawless</i>
<b>Sunday 10 February</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i>	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners &amp; Pat Buist</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Tom &amp; Mary Metcalfe</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>



### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Tuesdays 11.30 am - 12.05 pm St Benedict's

Saturdays 5.15 pm - 5.45 pm St Oswald's

(Confession is also available by appointment or on request)

Parish Website: [www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk](http://www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk)



**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)

Assistant: Fr Ian Verrier FSSP [iverrier@fssp.org](mailto:iverrier@fssp.org)

**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**

**SYNOD OPENING CEREMONY**

Today, Sunday 3 February, Archbishop Malcolm will formally convoke the Archdiocesan Synod during a special service in the Cathedral at 3.00 pm. During the service, the 500 Synod Members (Parish, Pastoral Area and others) will be mandated to undertake their task, and we will all be invited to pray with and for them and for the working of the Synod.

**For those who have signed up, a minibus will leave St Oswald's at 1.45 pm and St Benedict's at 1.55 pm. We expect to depart the Cathedral between 4.15 – 4.30 pm.**



**Together on the Road: Our Synod 2020 Hymn**

Today's service will conclude with a hymn written for the Synod by Mike Anderson (author of the 'Clap Clap' Gloria). We'll listen to the hymn during the Masses this weekend.

1. They were together on the road with the Lord,  
but they didn't understand.  
But they walked with their Lord as he spoke of love;  
abundant love they couldn't comprehend.  
And as he broke the bread, he fed their hungry hearts.

**Together on the road with the Lord,  
together on the road with the Lord,  
Together on the road to build a world where everyone is  
free. Together on the road with the Lord,  
together on the road with the Lord,  
Together on the road to be the Church he founded us to be.**

2. They were together on the road with the Lord,  
but they didn't understand.  
But their hearts burned within as he spoke of death;  
a sacrifice they couldn't comprehend.

But as he broke the bread, they recognised their Lord.

3. We are together on the road with the Lord,  
and we may not understand.  
But he walks with us now and he calls us, too;  
to be the Church he founded us to be!  
And in a still small voice, he whispers words of love!

4. And we will listen, and we will learn,  
and we will pray, we will discern!  
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**Our Synod Prayer**

Father, we thank you  
for the love you have shown us  
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.  
We thank you for the gift of the Church,  
through which you show us  
that you are always with us  
and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020  
help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.  
May your Holy Spirit be powerfully  
at work among us.  
Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope  
and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond  
to the challenges of our times in new ways  
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.  
We make this prayer  
through Jesus Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.

**ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA DAY**

Thursday 8 February is the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita – the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. On this day, Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human

**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."

trafficking, and the people that volunteer and work to eradicate this crime. This year, the particular focus is on those who are caught up in forced labour and labour exploitation both in the UK and beyond.

Labour exploitation currently makes up the greatest percentage of modern slavery cases in the UK. Victims of forced labour are made to work long hours, often in tough conditions without the training and safety measures in place. The majority, if not all, of wages are taken by the traffickers. This is often accompanied by threats and violence. Cases of labour exploitation have been widely reported in car washes and nail bars, however victims have also been found in the manufacturing, entertainment, hospitality, agriculture and construction industries.

The eradication of modern slavery and the pastoral care of victims is a priority for the Catholic Church. Pope Francis continually draws the attention of the Church and the wider world to the moral and human crisis evident in this widespread exploitation:

“Faced with the tragic reality of rising contemporary slavery, no one can wash their hands of it without being, in some way, an accomplice to this crime against humanity. This immense task, which requires courage, patience and perseverance, demands a joint and global effort on the part of the different actors that make up society” (*Pope Francis to the participants of the 2nd International Forum on Modern Slavery, May 2018*).

For more information: [www.santamartagroup.com](http://www.santamartagroup.com)

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

#### **MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES**



The Liverpool Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Association will be gathering to celebrate Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes at Christ the King, Queens Drive, Liverpool L15 6YQ on Monday 11 February at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

#### **JUST CHAT**

##### **Parishes talking to Refugees & Asylum Seekers**

A short workshop to help parishes engage with refugees and asylum seekers at a very simple but very important level. Saturday 16 February, 10.00 – 1.00 pm, at St Benedict's. This workshop will be particularly useful for those parishioners looking forward to supporting the Syrian Refugee Family coming to live in the parish in the near future. To book a place, please call the Parish Office on 01925 630127.

#### **ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE**

Archbishop Malcolm invites you to join him in celebrating the Annual Marriage and Family Life Mass at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral on Sunday 17 February at 11.00 am.

The Mass will include the renewal of marriage vows and a special blessing for those celebrating significant anniversaries. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gibberd Room. All are welcome.



#### **RESTORED LIVES**

##### **Recovery from Divorce and Separation**

The Archdiocesan Marriage and Family Life Department hold meetings twice a year in February and September for those who are going through, or who have gone through, a relationship breakdown. The meetings are in small groups and are free, confidential, informative and affirming. Topics cover: facing the effects of what's happened, communication and conflict resolution, letting go, managing other relationships, legal matters, being single and moving forward. For details of times and venues, contact Maureen O'Brien (07967 753371) or Jacqui Selleck (07793 825815).

#### **FOLLOW YOUR HEART**

##### **Discernment and Vocation**

A weekend retreat for young women, reflecting on the vocation to religious life: 15 - 17 February at the Faithful Companions of Jesus Community in Liverpool. For further information, please see the noticeboard at the back of church or contact Sr Lynne FCJ by email: [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com)

#### **ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTORY**

If you would like a copy of the 2019 Directory for the Archdiocese of Liverpool (£3.50), please ask Fr Dave or contact the Parish Office.

#### **ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY CENTRE VACANCY**

The Trustees of St Joseph's Family Centre are seeking to appoint two temporary posts as follows: Centre Support Worker working 5 days per week (inc. Saturdays as needed). The second post is for a Family Advocacy Worker for 3 days per week. Both are fixed term contracts for 12 months.

Trustees are seeking candidates with administrative experience and ideally, experience in Social Care related fields. Application packs can be requested by phoning 01925 635448 or email: [contact@saintjosephsfamilycentre.org.uk](mailto:contact@saintjosephsfamilycentre.org.uk)

#### **FREE NHS CHECKS AVAILABLE - GOLDEN SQUARE**

If you are aged between 40-74 years, an NHS Health check is available free of charge. This Health Check can help identify if you are at risk of developing type 2 diabetes, heart disease, stroke, kidney disease and certain types of dementia, and help you lower that risk.

The health improvement bus will be situated in the Old Marketplace (near Cafe Nero) for health workers to carry out NHS Health checks between 10 am - 4 pm on the following dates:

- Saturday 9 February
- Saturday 16 February

**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.*

**POPE FRANCIS**

**During his visit to Panama for World Youth Day last weekend, Pope Francis said:**

“I worry that compassion has lost its central place in the Church, in Catholic groups. Or is being lost, to put it less pessimistically”. He went on: “Even in Catholic media the compassion isn’t there. Schism, condemnation, furious accusation, self-regard, condemnations of heresy – they are there ... Let compassion not be lost in our Church”.

**LET US HOLD IN PRAYER**



**Rite of Welcome**

This weekend, we welcome Molly Unsworth and Ellis and Patrick Clarke who will be baptised this month.

**Those who will be married next weekend:**

*St Benedict's* Maxine Tempest & Michael Naughton  
*St Oswald's* Leanne Fitton & Mark Tyrer

**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, Thomas Ireland, Matilde Valentine, Brenda Snelson, Syd Bradshaw, Sandra Richardson, Kate Rigby, 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, Alan Brompton, Rebekah Stone (age 12)

**Those who have died recently:**

*St Benedict's* Ged Wallace, Pat Buist

*St Oswald's* Rachel Thompson, Margaret (Jean) Shaw

**Prayers for the Victims of Human Trafficking**

† We pray for the victims of human trafficking, that they may be helped to rebuild their lives after the traumatic experiences they have gone through.

† We pray that we, as the Church, will continue to defend the victims of human trafficking.

† We pray for our governments, that they may make and implement laws that will protect victims of modern day slavery.

† We pray for those organisations dedicated to eradicating modern day slavery, that they will be courageous in the face of challenges.

† We pray for those caring for the victims of human trafficking, that their efforts to help the vulnerable and traumatised may not go unrewarded.

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**  
Sunday – 4<sup>th</sup> in Ordinary Time (C)  
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 4  
Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
Is 6: 1-2, 3-8;  
1 Cor 15: 1-11; Lk 5: 1-11

**ST BENEDICT'S - 200 CLUB WINNER**  
27 January  
*To be Confirmed next week*

**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

For Bookings call 07932 404364 before 7 pm, or 812266

**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  
Thursday 7.30 pm Line Dancing

For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920

**PARISH FINANCE**

**Total Offertory Collection for 27 January 2019**

St Benedict's	£422.20	(£221.50 GA)
St Oswald's	£481.26	(£220.82 GA)
Standing Orders	£73.61	(£66.69 GA)

**PARISH TOTAL: £977.07 (£509.01 GA)**

**OTHER INCOME**

Poor Box £87.05

*Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity*