

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 17 February 2019

6th 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 17 - 24 February 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 17 February <i>6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> Racial Justice Sunday	10.30 am First Communion Preparation Mass (4) <i>Joseph Manfredi</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm First Communion Preparation Mass (4) <i>The Parishioners</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>John Gorman</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 18 February		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 19 February	11.30 am Exposition 12.15 pm Mass <i>Alan Lloyd</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Nadine Davies</i>
	7.30 pm Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots (At St Paul of the Cross, Burtonwood)	
Wednesday 20 February	9.30 am Mass <i>Pat Buist</i>	
Thursday 21 February		9.30 am Mass <i>Teresa Abbott</i> 4.00 pm Novena
Friday 22 February <i>Feast of the See of St Peter the Apostle</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>Joseph & Patricia Manfredi</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 23 February <i>St Polycarp</i>	4.00 pm Slovak Mass	10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Ged Snelson</i>
Sunday 24 February <i>7th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>John Gorman</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass



Hope in the Lord

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



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

WELCOME!

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



RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Today is Racial Justice Sunday - a day which focuses us on the experiences of ethnic communities in England and Wales. It is a day on which we all called to earnestly pray for an end to racism and racial inequality in our country. The theme this year is "Dignity for all workers" - recognising the problems faced by people because of racism and ethnic discrimination in the workplace.

In a world steeped in violence, conflict and discrimination, the Gospel demands that we acknowledge the dignity of the human person, the necessity of building peace, prosperity and justice for all. In *Octogesima Adveniens* and *Gaudium et Spes*, Pope Paul VI teaches that "all people have a right to work ... to lead a worthy life on the material, social, cultural and spiritual level". We are, therefore, called to ensure people are not exploited while they work, and to open our hearts to those who face this hatred. Remember the words of Jesus: "As you did this to the one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me..."

In our task as disciples of Christ, our responsibility is to make sure people are treated with dignity at work and are not exploited. Migrant communities and those suffering from racial abuse are particularly vulnerable to being drawn into unjust working conditions and labour exploitation.

A prayer for those facing exploitation

O good and gracious God,
from your abundance all gifts and skills are bestowed,
making us participants in your work of creation.
By the word of your Son,
confront our greed,
challenge us when we treat people as means of profit,
or discriminate unjustly against our fellow human beings.
Raise us up to new life in your service,
that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you

we may glorify your holy name.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS

The Pastoral Area Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots, continues this Tuesday, 19 February, at 7.30 pm. This month, the Novena will be held at St Paul of the Cross, Burtonwood. *Theme:* Undoing the Knots of Inequality, Poverty and Injustice.



ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

This year's Annual Mission Appeal will take place during the Masses next weekend, 23/24 February. Brother John McAlister from the Society of Mary (Marist Fathers and Brothers) will be making the appeal.

LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting for a 'Cheese and Wine Evening' on Thursday 21 February at 8.15 pm in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre.

HELP FOR NEW MUMS

Can you donate items for Newborn Baby Bumper Packs? i.e. nappies, wipes, soap, bath wash, towels, face cloths or new baby clothes for a boy or girl. St Benedict's have a number of girl/boy gift bags that they would like to fill to donate to St Joseph's Family Centre and/or to the Schools.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH GATHERING

Churches Together in Merseyside are giving you the opportunity to come and meet with youth from denominations across Merseyside. **When?** Monday 11 March, 6.30 – 8.30 pm (soft drinks and nibbles included). **Where?** Quaker Meeting House, 22 School Lane, Liverpool ONE 3BT. To book a place, please email office@ctmr.org.uk or phone 0151 709 0125. Feel free to bring your friends.

LENT 2019

Padgate Methodist Church invite you to explore the Mystery of God on Tuesdays during Lent at 7.30 pm: 12 March – 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."

Mystery of Good & Evil, 19 March – The Mystery of God's Glory, 26 March – The Mystery of Sin, Suffering & Hope, 2 April – The Mystery of Parenthood & Adoption, 9 April – The Mystery of Love & Sacrifice. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Rev Mark Coles (01925 266537).

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

Archbishop Malcolm will be leading the annual Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 19 to 26 July 2019 by air from Liverpool. Enquiries: Please contact Joe Walsh Tours (0151 909 2871), Assisted Pilgrims should contact the Pilgrimage Office (07484 911623). See noticeboard for further details.

FAMILY GROUP

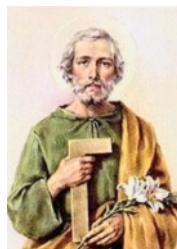
A Family Group is a parish friendship group drawn from the Catholic community open to any parishioner irrespective of age or personal circumstances. A Family Group is made up of young, mature, single, widowed, married, separated and divorced parishioners who commit to spending time together once a month for low cost activities. The group is linked by a common faith bond but is not exclusive to Catholics. Many group members bring along their non-Catholic partners who are integral to the group's success. There are a few basic rules to help guide the group: enthusiastic leaders; low cost gatherings and a commitment to know, support and love each other as brothers and sisters in Christ.

The concept of Family Groups is simple. Groups meet every four to six weeks for a variety of activities decided by their members. These include quizzes, film nights, games, parties and anniversary celebrations, walks, music, themed events, fundraising, house Masses and lots of shared meals. The groups can become a valuable source of parish outreach as well as offering invaluable support and fellowship to their own members.

The Archdiocese has just appointed Sue Faulkner as Family Group Coordinator to support the setting up of Family Groups in parishes. Is this something parishioners would be interested in? If so, please let Fr Dave know and he will invite Sue to the parish to help us to set up a Family Group. *See noticeboard for further information.*

NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH

The National Novena to St Joseph will take place from 10 – 18 March 2019 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead and at Herbert House, Freshfield, Liverpool. Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society and the missionary outreach of the Church, as well as for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions (forms at the back of church) and/or request a Novena booklet to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily Novena prayer.



Please write to Fr Brian Oswald MHM, St Joseph's Missionary Society, 58 Cookham Road, Maidenhead SL6 7HT or email novenamhm@gmail.com

SYNOD 2020

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.

200 CLUB - 2018

Thank you to the supporters of the 200 Club. Last year, the 200 Club at St Benedict's managed to raise £690.60 to boost parish funds. Prizes currently range from £10.00, £50.00 or £100.00. If you would like a chance of winning a prize, please see Sue Boyle. Subscriptions currently cost either £1.20 per month which are due on the first Sunday of each month, or £14.40 for a year.

APF MILL HILL (St Mary's)

Thank you for the continued generosity and support of all APF Missio contributors. We are happy to confirm that a total of £1,500 was collected on behalf of the St Mary's area of the Parish of Blessed James Bell.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 2019

There is to be a fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on 13th May 2019. It will cost £649.00 per person sharing. The price includes flights, transfer to hotel accommodation, four nights in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast and a four course dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours are included. Wheelchair accessible rooms available. For more information, contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557. Alternatively, email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613. Information is available on the poster on the noticeboard.

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 QUOTATIONS

“Love of God and love of neighbour are inseparable. They are two sides of the same coin: lived together they are the true strength of believers!”

(9 February)

“If we practice seeing with the eyes of Jesus, we will always be able to recognize those who need our help.”

(10 February)

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

St Benedict's Paul Vernon, Jean Molphy, Anne Hill, Susan Keating, Ann Brown, Peter Milner, James Malone, Thomas Ireland, Vera Brindle, 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 Bill Hampson

Prayer Intentions for this week:

- † For the children preparing for First Communion and for their families.
- † For all trapped in work which compromises their human dignity - may they come to know liberty and justice.
- † For legislators and law enforcement agencies - may they strengthen and protect the rights of workers.
- † That we may treasure and respect the animals God has given to us, and care enough to stand up against the cruelty inflicted on so many.
- † That those tasked with making decisions about Brexit may weigh their words carefully and find a unity that brings our communities together in the task of serving the common good.

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.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR
Sunday – 6th in Ordinary Time (C)
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 6
Divine Office – Psalter Week 2

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
1 Sam 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;
1 Cor 15: 45-49; Lk 6: 27-38

ST BENEDICT'S - 200 CLUB WINNER
10 February
To be confirmed next week

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

PARISH FINANCE

Total Offertory Collection for 10 February 2019

St Benedict's	£326.80	(£184.50 GA)
St Oswald's	£480.76	(£231.60 GA)
Standing Orders	£75.92	(£72.46 GA)
PARISH TOTAL:	£883.48	(£488.56 GA)

OTHER INCOME

Poor Box	£25.92
Hymn Book Fund	£59.00 (from the Soup Lunch)
Church Maintenance Fund	£108.50 (From the Parish Quiz)

2nd Collection Next Week: Annual Mission Appeal

Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity

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

The Week Ahead

Sunday	9.00 pm	Quiz & Bingo
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		

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	12.00 noon - 2.30 pm	Lunch Club
Thursday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing
For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920		