

# 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 12 May 2019

Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)

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

### St Benedict's & St Oswald's Masses & Services 12 - 19 May 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 12 May</b> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (C)</i> Day of Prayer for Vocations	<b>10.30 am First Communion Mass (2)</b> <i>David Schorah</i>	<b>(Sat)6.00 pm First Communion Mass (2)</b> <i>Nora Buchanan</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 13 May</b> <i>Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral</i>		<b>7.30 pm Prayer Group</b>
<b>Tuesday 14 May</b> <i>Feast of St Matthias</i>	<b>11.30 am Exposition</b> <b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>George Pow</i>
<b>Wednesday 15 May</b>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Pope Francis</i>	<b>10.00 am Funeral Service</b> <i>David McEllin</i>
<b>Thursday 16 May</b>		<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Nadine Davies</i> <b>7.00 pm Novena</b>
<b>Friday 17 May</b>	<b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Ron Monks</i> <b>6.45 pm Meditation</b>	
<b>Saturday 18 May</b>	<b>4.00 pm Slovak Mass</b>	<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i>
<b>Sunday 19 May</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (C)</i>	<b>10.30 am First Communion Mass (3)</b> <i>Bob Nash</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Nora Buchanan</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 - 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**

**FIRST COMMUNION**

A very warm welcome to the children, and their parents and families, who will be celebrating their First Communion with us this weekend:



**St Benedict's**

Jessica Banner, Callum Chadwick, Chibulke Matteo Chuks, Onyebuchi Daniel Chuks, Amelia Friedrich, Dylan Lingley, Jaycee Morrison, Imogen Ralphson and Faith Venables.

**St Oswald's**

Lucas Bamford, Stephen Bridle, Edward Burke, Madison Edmonds, William Hillen, Lily-Rose Hughes, Alexander Hulse, Kaitlyn Lavin, Amelia Mazurowska, Lucas McKillop, Maria Parkin, Thomas Walsh and Jacob Wooding.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is the 56<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations. There is lots of information at the following websites: [www.ukvocation.org](http://www.ukvocation.org) [www.ukpriest.org](http://www.ukpriest.org) [www.ukreligiouslife.org](http://www.ukreligiouslife.org) and [www.diaconate.org.uk](http://www.diaconate.org.uk) or download the GodCalls app at [www.godcalls.co.uk](http://www.godcalls.co.uk)

There is a **Second Collection** today which is the annual collection for the Priests' Training Fund. This fund is the chief source of income that enables the Archdiocese to train our future priests. It takes six or seven years to train a priest and costs approximately £100,000. If you don't already Gift Aid your offerings, there are some special Gift Aid envelopes for the collection at the back of church.

Please pray for those who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood or the religious life.

**Loving Father,**

**you call us to help you build a better world.**

**As we journey through life**

**listening to the voice of the Risen Lord,**

**make our hearts burn within us,**

**as we hear your Word in Scripture,**

and share in the Holy Eucharist.

**Pour out on us your Holy Spirit,**

**that we might have wisdom and understanding.**

**Guide us in the footsteps**

**of holy men and women of every age**

**so that we may be transformed into**

**the living image of Jesus your Son,**

**who lived at the service of all.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

There's a group for those thinking about the priesthood or religious life which meets each month to pray, chat and learn more. For further information, please contact Fr James Preston on 0151 727 2493 or [frjamespreston@gmail.com](mailto:frjamespreston@gmail.com)

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN EAST WARRINGTON**

There is a meeting for members of Churches Together in East Warrington this Thursday, 16 May, at 7.30 pm at the Church of the Resurrection and St Bridget, Cinnamon Brow.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Many thanks to all those parishioners who came to the meeting on Wednesday to discuss setting up a Parish Council for our new Parish of Blessed James Bell. In summary, it was agreed that:

- 1) The council will be known as the **Parish Pastoral Council** or **PPC** – a consultative body convened by the parish priest so that he can seek advice and counsel on parish matters.
- 2) Meetings will be open, so any parishioner can attend.
- 3) At the first meeting, a Chair, a Vice Chair and a Secretary will be elected – one from each church community who will rotate positions over a three-year period.
- 4) There will be six meetings a year – two per term.
- 5) Parishioners can propose items for the agenda by contacting the Parish Office no less than seven days prior to the next meeting.
- 6) Minutes of meetings will be posted in a file at the back of each church.
- 7) Sub-groups will be set up as and when they are needed.
- 8) The personal aim of the present parish priest is to nurture collaborative leadership and shared responsibility by utilising the gifts of parishioners *in the mission* of the parish.



**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."

**GIVE  
THANKS  
WHATEVER  
HAPPENS**  
1 THESS. 5:17

## NO SOUP LUNCH ON TUESDAY

Apologies to all. Prayers please that Angela's leg gets better soon. If anyone would like to be a stand in soup maker please let Angela or the Parish Office know. Thank you.

## LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will meet on Thursday 16 May at 8.15 pm in the Parish Centre lounge at St Oswald's. Kevin Holt will be giving a talk on his experience of working at a Manchester Newspaper.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### NOVENA TO OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS

The Pastoral Area Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots, continues on Tuesday 21 May at 7.30 pm. This month, the Novena will be held at Ss Peter & Michael, Woolston. *Theme:* Undoing the Knots of exploitation and abuse of the Environment and our common home.

### ANNUAL AFTERNOON TEA

The Annual Afternoon Tea will take place at St Oswald's Parish Centre on Saturday 1 June at 2.00 pm. It is a ticket only event. Tickets are £6.00 or £8.50 with a glass of Prosecco, child's ticket £4.00. Tickets will be on sale at each Mass at St Oswald's over the next 3 weeks (reserved seating on request). Alternatively, contact Jayne Woodward on 01925 815561. Proceeds will be split between St Joseph's Family Centre and the Parish.

### CELEBRATE THE CHILD

The Annual Archdiocesan Children Mass continues its pilgrimage around the diocese. This year, it will be held at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic College, Highfield Road, Widnes WA8 7DW on Sunday 30 June at 3.00 pm. Fun activities will start at 1.00 pm in which children can participate in the preparations leading up to the Mass.

### SPIRITUAL CARE AT THE END OF LIFE

Dr Karen Groves, Medical Director of Queens Court Hospice in Southport, will speak about this topic at a Strawberry Cream Tea Afternoon, 2.00 - 4.00 pm on Wednesday 17 July at LACE. Karen's sensitive and faith-filled presentation will be of interest to Funeral Ministers, Bereavement Team Members, Hospital Visitors, Eucharistic Ministers and anyone who has experienced caring for those nearing the end of life. To book your place, please contact Pastoral Formation on 0151 522 1040 or [formation@rcaol.co.uk](mailto:formation@rcaol.co.uk)

### STOP PRESS

On Thursday, Pope Francis issued sweeping new laws for the Catholic Church on the investigation of abuse in the Church, mandating reporting for the first time and creating a structure to investigate claims against bishops and instances of cover up. In effect, this marks the development of a global system of accountability for the handling of abuse reports. You can read the full document on the Vati-

can website under 'Motu Proprio'. There are also copies of a three-page summary at the back of church.



## THEOLOGICAL TALKS ON THE NATURE OF CHURCH

Tuesday 14 May - The Mission of All the Baptised  
*Fergal Martin*

Tuesday 21 May - Going out to the Peripheries  
*Mary Ebbasi*

Tuesday 28 May - The Church as Leaven in our Culture  
*Monsignor Peter Fleetwood*

All the talks begin at 7.00 pm and will take place in the church at St Charles, Aigburth Road, Liverpool L17 9PG, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall.

### LISTENING & DISCERNMENT

Over the next two months, there will be the opportunity for you to contribute to the Synod. You are invited to do this by responding to the following questions:

- 1) **Where in your everyday life do you experience love, truth, goodness, hope, and joy?**
- 2) **When you reflect on your life now, and as you look to the future, what causes you concern or worry?**
- 3) **What is the purpose of the Catholic Church in the world today?**
- 4) **Having reflected on these things, what are the topics you would like to see on the agenda of Synod 2020?**

The Parish and Pastoral Area Synod Representatives are now organising meetings in the Parish and across the Pastoral Area to allow parishioners to share their responses to these questions. In our own parish, we will be inviting all the parish groups to meet and share; there will be opportunities after Sunday and weekday Masses; Eucharistic Ministers and SVP Visitors will be invited to seek responses from those they visit; and there will be opportunities for our children, young people and their parents to share in our schools.

But how do we hear from those who no longer come to church or who have given up on their Catholic faith? Perhaps you can help here – gently seeking responses to the questions from family members and friends and noting down their replies so that their input is included as well.

You can also respond to the questions online: [www.synod2020.co.uk/resources/survey](http://www.synod2020.co.uk/resources/survey)

**SAFEGUARDING IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF US ALL!**

**Parish Safeguarding Reps:**  
Celia Baxter, Doreane Child,  
Claire Fraser & Clare 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**

Mother Teresa, we ask you to intercede with Jesus, that we too may obtain the grace to be attentive to the cry of the poor, the sick, the outcast and the least of our brothers and sisters.

*(7 May)*

Every morning, God comes to find us where we are. He summons us to rise at his word, to look up and to realize that we were made for heaven.

*(5 May)*

**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, Stan Holbrook, Nicola Quinn
- 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* Catherine Donaldson, Laurence Finn, Alan Brompton, Rebekah Stone (age 12), Baby Arthur Hanvey, Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Jackson

**Those who have died:**

- St Benedict's* Bill Whitlow, Barbara Preston
- St Oswald's* David McEllin, Daniel Davies
- Archdiocese* Fr Barrie O'Toole CSsR



**This Week's Prayer Intentions**

- ✦ For the children celebrating their First Communion with us this weekend, and for their parents and families.
- ✦ For vocations to the priesthood and the religious life.
- ✦ For all the children who will be taking their SATs this week.
- ✦ For those recently released from prison and are trying to make a new start in life.
- ✦ For children who are suffering in our communities because of abuse, neglect or mental health issues.

*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 their name and number. Many thanks.*

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**  
Sunday – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (C)  
Weekdays – 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter  
Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
Acts 14: 21-27;  
Rev 21: 1-5;  
Jn 13: 31-33, 34-35

**ST BENEDICT'S**  
**200 CLUB WINNER**  
5 May no. 78 Gabrielle Atkinson

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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

**PARISH FINANCE**

**Offertory Collection Sunday 5 May 2019**

St Benedict's	£466.42	(£184.80 GA)
St Oswald's	£635.95	(£234.20 GA)
Standing Orders	£70.15	(£65.54 GA)
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,172.52</b>	<b>(£484.54 GA)</b>

**OTHER INCOME**

British Legion	£36.21	
Poor Box	£139.52	(Inc. £76.47 from Srs of Signador & £63.05 from coffees & Poor Box)
Walking Day	£467.10	(Parish total so far)

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY - Priest Training Fund**

*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
<b>For Bookings call 07932 404364 before 7 pm, or 812266</b>		

**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 Group
Thursday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing
<b>For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920</b>		