

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 14 July 2019

Fifteenth Sunday of Year (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 14 - 21 July 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 14 July <i>Feast of St Benedict</i> (Transferred from 11 July)	10.30 am Mass for the Feast of St Benedict <i>Deacons David, Mike & Tony</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Agnes & Laurence O'Connor</i> <i>Margaret Lomax</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 15 July <i>St Bonaventure</i>		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 16 July	11.30 am Exposition 12.15 pm Mass <i>Thanksgiving to Our Lady</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Fr Thomas Manly</i>
	7.30 pm Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots (at St Stephen's)	
Wednesday 17 July	No Mass today <i>(Mass at St Gregory's High School)</i>	
Thursday 18 July		9.15 am School End of Year Mass <i>Hollyann Prince</i> 7.00 pm Novena
Friday 19 July	12.15 pm Mass <i>Canon Aidan Prescott</i> 7.00 pm Mass of Thanksgiving <i>(Mr Liam Anderson)</i>	
Saturday 20 July	11.00 am - 6.00 pm Asian Christian Convention	10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i>
Sunday 21 July <i>16th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>McKay Family</i> <i>(Prayers Answered)</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Brenda Malone</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass



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



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

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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

FEAST OF ST BENEDICT

This weekend, we keep the Feast of St Benedict. While St Benedict's will be celebrating their Feast Day during the 10.30 am Mass, it's also a special feast for St Mary's and St Oswald's which were also founded by the Benedictines. In addition, we will be giving thanks for our Deacons – for Deacon David and Deacon Mike who have been Permanent Deacons for ten years, and for Deacon Tony who reaches fifteen years this month. After the 10.30 am Mass, there will be a buffet lunch in St Benedict's Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.

Prayer of St Benedict

Gracious and Holy Father,
give us the wisdom to discover you,
the intelligence to understand you,
the diligence to seek after you,
the patience to wait for you,
eyes to behold you,
a heart to meditate upon you,
and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the Spirit of Jesus, our Lord.
Amen.

SECOND COLLECTION

There is a Second Collection today to support our **Priests in Retirement**. This collection goes towards the cost of providing accommodation for those priests who retire at the age of 75. If you are able to Gift Aid your offering and don't use offertory envelopes, there are some Gift Aid envelopes at the back of church. Many thanks for your generosity.

SLOVAK MASS

For the last two years, Fr Marek Sitar has travelled from Leeds every Saturday to celebrate Mass for the Slovak Community in St Benedict's. From September, Fr Marek has been asked to be the Chaplain to the Slovak Community in Brussels. Therefore, this weekend's Slovak Mass will be the last for the time being.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY, UNTIER OF KNOTS

The Pastoral Area Novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots, concludes this Tuesday, 16 July, at 7.30 pm. This month, the Novena will be held at St Stephen's. *Theme:* Restoration of Hope and Harmony – the Peace the world cannot give.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN EAST WARRINGTON

There is a meeting for members of Churches Together in East Warrington at 7.30 pm this Wednesday, 17 July, at Padgate Methodist Church.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Mr Liam Anderson, our Headteacher at St Benedict's Catholic Primary School, will be moving on to a new school in September so that he can spend more time with his young family as they grow up. He has done so much for our school community in the last three years and we will miss him very much. We would like to pray for Liam and thank him for all he has given to St Benedict's in a Mass of Thanksgiving in church this Friday, 19 July, at 7.00 pm. As well as inviting parents and children from school, I would very much like to invite parishioners to join us as well. *Fr Dave*

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

This coming Friday, 19 July, pilgrims from across the Archdiocese will leave for the annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in the south of France.

- The Lourdes Departure Mass takes place today (Sunday) at 5.00 pm in the Cathedral.
- If you would like to join the pilgrims in prayer, there are copies of a Novena at the back of church which includes a prayer for each day of the pilgrimage.
- Next weekend, we will join the pilgrimage in prayer by offering the Sunday Masses in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes.

30 HOUR PROVISION NURSERY PLACES

Did you know that St Benedict's Catholic Primary School have free 30 hour childcare places for 3 and 4 year olds in September? For further information or a visit to the school, please phone 01925 234699. Please note: they also have free 15hr places available too.



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."



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SPIRITUAL CARE AT THE END OF LIFE WITH AFTERNOON STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA

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

FAMILY GROUPS



We delayed the beginning of the Family Groups because of the sudden death of Sarah Boardman who was going to be one of the coordinators of the groups. Given that the summer holidays are about to begin, we will set a date in September to launch the groups.

RETREAT - ST JOSEPH'S PRAYER CENTRE, FORMBY

A preached retreat by Bishop John Crowley will be taking place at St Joseph's Prayer Centre, Formby L37 1PH. The retreat commences on the morning of 19 August and finishes on the evening of 22 August. The theme will be "Bidden or not Bidden, God is Present." For further information, please contact St Joseph's Prayer Centre on 01704 875850, email: the.prayercentre.stj@gmail.com or visit their website: www.stjosephsprayercentre.com

SYNOD 2020



SYNOD REFLECTIONS

A New Serenity Prayer

God, grant me the serenity
to accept the people I cannot change,
which is pretty much everyone,
since I'm clearly not you, God.
At least not the last time I checked.



And while you're at it, God,
please give me the courage
to change what I need to change about myself,
which is frankly a lot, since, once again,
I'm not you, which means I'm not perfect.
It's better for me to focus on changing myself
than to worry about changing other people,
who, as you'll no doubt remember me saying,
I can't change anyway.

Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up
whenever I think that I'm clearly smarter
than everyone else in the room,
that no one knows what they're talking about except me,
or that I alone have all the answers.

Basically, God, grant me the wisdom
to remember that I'm not you.

Amen.

(Fr James Martin SJ)

I aspire to be as calm as this cat when
things are falling apart around me



It's Christ's Church – not ours!

"Remember, it's Christ's Church, not ours. Jesus founded the Church, died for the Church, sent his Spirit to the Church, and will someday return for his Church. As the owner of the Church, he has already established the purposes, and they're not negotiable. Our duty is to understand the purposes Christ has for the Church and to implement them." *(Rick Warren in 'The Purpose Driven Church' © 1995 Rick Warren)*

In his biography of St Francis of Assisi, St Bonaventure tells the story of Francis entering the little dilapidated chapel of San Damiano. As he prayed before the crucifix, he heard a voice say: "Francis, rebuild my church, which has fallen into disrepair." At first, Francis took this literally, physically restoring the ruined chapel. Later, he came to understand his mission in a more spiritual sense: to recall the Church to the radical simplicity of the Gospel and to the image of Christ in the poor.

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

We pray for the sick who are abandoned and left to die. A society is human if it protects life, every life, from its beginning to its natural end, without choosing who is worthy to live or who is not. Doctors should serve life, not take it away.

(9 July)

“This is not just about migrants”, in the twofold sense that migrants are first of all human persons, and that they are the symbol of all those rejected by today’s globalized society.

(8 July)

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Oswald’s Benjamin Leather

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

St Benedict’s Paul Vernon, Jean Molphy, Anne Hill, Susan Keating, Ann Brown, Peter Milner, Thomas Ireland, Vera Brindle, Matilde Valentine, Brenda Snelson, Syd Bradshaw, Sandra Richardson, Kate Rigby, Margaret Russell-Cruise, Barbara Edmondson, Stan Holbrook, Mary Hinchliffe, Pat Curley, Mary Monks, Ernie Roocroft

St Mary’s Luciano Bartolo, Bill Turner

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, Alan Brompton, Baby Arthur Hanvey, Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Jackson

This Week’s Prayer Intentions:

- As we celebrate the Feast of St Benedict this weekend, let us pray for:
- † The Benedictine priests and brothers who served St Alban’s, St Mary’s, St Benedict’s and St Oswald’s over the years.
 - † The Sisters of the Cross & Passion who came to Warrington at the invitation of the Benedictine’s.
 - † Those who prayed in our churches, studied in our schools and supported the mission of the Church in this area and are now with our Lord in heaven.
 - † Those who give their time and energy today, enabling our churches and schools to function and serve the local community.
 - † Those who look to us for hope, a warm welcome and a helping hand.

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 their name and number. Many thanks.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR
Sunday – 15th Sunday of Year (C)
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 15
Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS
Genesis 18: 1-10;
Colossians 1: 24-28;
Luke 10: 38-42

ST BENEDICT’S
200 CLUB WINNERS
30th June: no. 3 Stephen Hines (£100)
7th July: no. 171 Mark 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 7 July 2019

St Benedict’s	£407.25	(£245.80 GA)
St Oswald’s	£490.14	(£240.50 GA)
Standing Orders	£70.15	(£65.54 GA)
PARISH TOTAL	£967.54	(£551.84 GA)

OTHER INCOME

‘R Charity’ Liv. Royal	£70.05	(Sarah’s Funeral Donations)
Leukaemia UK	£281.13	“ “
(SO) Gardening Fund	£273.15	“ “
Poor Box	£57.07	
Grotto Benches	£6.00	(Donations)

Second Collection Today: Priests in Retirement

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

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