

# 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 25 August 2019

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (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 25 August - 1 September 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 25 August</b> <i>21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i>	<b>10.30 am Baptism Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners, Tommie O'Donovan</i>	<b>(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Michael Wood</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Christopher John Murphy &amp; Family</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b> <b>4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group</b>
<b>Monday 26 August</b> <i>Blessed Dominic Barberi</i>		<b>No Prayer Group</b> <i>(Resumes 2 September)</i>
<b>Tuesday 27 August</b> <i>St Monica</i>	<b>11.30 am Exposition</b> <b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Pat Curley</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Brian White</i>
<b>Wednesday 28 August</b> <i>St Augustine</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Tony Berry</i>	
<b>Thursday 29 August</b> <i>The Passion of St John the Baptist</i>		<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Nadine Davies</i> <b>No Novena</b> <i>(Resumes 5 September)</i>
<b>Friday 30 August</b> <i>St Edmund Arrowsmith</i>	<b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>For Claire</i> <b>No Meditation</b>	
<b>Saturday 31 August</b>		<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Elizabeth O'Neill</i>
<b>Sunday 1 September</b> <i>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>Patsy Timoney</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b> <b>4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group</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

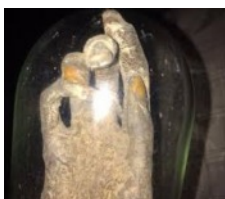
# WELCOME!

#### WELCOME!

A warm welcome to visitors, those who have come home for the summer, and guests of parishioners. This week, a greeting in Spanish: **“Una cálida bienvenida a nuestros visitantes españoles. Esperamos que tengas unas buenas vacaciones.”**

#### ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY HAND OF ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH

The Annual Pilgrimage to the Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith will take place at the Church of St Oswald and St Edmund Arrowsmith, Liverpool Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield, WN4 9NP today (Sunday 25 August). Fr Aidan Kelly will preside at Mass at 3.00 pm followed by the Blessing of the Sick and Veneration of the Holy Hand. Light refreshments will be available in the Hall afterwards.



#### PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

A group of parishioners from St Oswald's will be making a pilgrimage to Lourdes at the beginning of September. If you would like them to take any petitions to the Grotto, please place them in an envelope and put them in the basket at the back of St Oswald's Church or hand them to Fr Dave. **Please do not put money in with your petitions.**

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

#### FAMILY GROUPS

Enough parishioners have signed up for us to have two Family Groups. Please have a look at the list on the noticeboard. These groups are not set in stone and members may prefer to be in one group rather than the other. That's fine – just let Fr Dave know so that he can adjust the lists. Invitations will be going out this week to our first meeting which will be at St Benedict's on Sunday 15 September at

12.00 noon. The meeting will be preceded by a Children's Mass at 10.30 am. Please put the date in your diary. Many thanks.

#### MIKE ANDERSON MUSIC WORKSHOP

Sunday 15 September at 2.00 pm followed by Mass at 5.30 pm. Hosted by St William of York, Edge Lane, Thornton L23 4TG. Join us for an afternoon of liturgical music led by Mike Anderson. Musicians and singers of all abilities are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Off-road parking is available. Admission by ticket only £3 each. Please register on [mikeandersonworkshop15919@gmail.com](mailto:mikeandersonworkshop15919@gmail.com) or by calling 07939 738163 and pay on the day.

#### BLESSING OF ANIMALS

The annual **Service of Blessing and Prayer for Animals** will take place at 2.00 pm on Sunday 22 September at St Benedict's.



#### STRICTLY NUGENT 2019!

Nugent's fourth annual dance competition and gala fundraiser, Strictly Nugent 2019, will take place at Anfield Stadium, Liverpool, on Saturday 2 November 2019. Nugent are looking for new dancers to take part. For information on how you can get involved and support your local charity, Nugent, please visit: [www.wearenugent.org/news/be-part-of-strictly-2019](http://www.wearenugent.org/news/be-part-of-strictly-2019) or call Nugent's Fundraising Team on 0151 261 2000.

#### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

The REFOCUS Marriage Enrichment Inventory is designed to help a couple focus on key topic areas and enrich their marriage through the rediscovery of the depth of a couple's love and desire to continue to grow together.

Visit [www.focussinc.com/refocus-inventory.aspx](http://www.focussinc.com/refocus-inventory.aspx)

#### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Next Sunday, 1 September, is World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. According to Pope Francis, "The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as



#### 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."



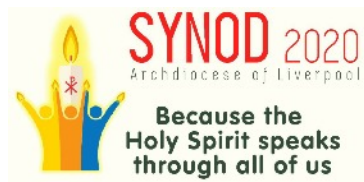
custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that he has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live." We will mark this special day of prayer during the Masses next weekend.

### JOB OPPORTUNITY

The prolife charity 'Life' is looking for enthusiastic church and community fundraisers in the diocese to help us grow our life-saving work with vulnerable mothers. We want you to help our volunteer fundraisers, manage local events, and develop relationships with community groups. We offer a competitive salary for a full or part-time position based at home. Contact [jobs@lifecharity.org.uk](mailto:jobs@lifecharity.org.uk) for more details.

### SEE NOTICEBOARDS FOR...

- a) **Pathways** – an evening get-together to explore different ways of praying on 9 September at 7.30 pm at the Church of the Resurrection & St Bridget, Cinnamon Brow.
- b) **Synod 2020** – a series of monthly talks hosted by Liverpool Hope University from October to April.
- c) **Spiritual Spa Day for Women** – Saturday 28 September at St Cuthbert's Old Convent, Wigton CA7 9HU. For more information: [www.coretlumenchristi.org](http://www.coretlumenchristi.org)
- d) **Adverts** for a Parish Administrator at Holy Name, Fazakerley, and Our Lady's, Gateacre. Advert for a Parish Hall Cleaner at Our Lady Immaculate, Ashton-in-Makerfield.



### SYNOD 2020 – REFLECTION

#### **Our God comes close to us**

Jesus went to his hometown and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary..." And they took offence at him (*cf. Mark 6: 1-3*).

#### **Reflection**

It can be hard to believe that God comes close to us. Those in the synagogue could not believe it.

#### **Questions to Ponder**

- How can God be speaking to me through someone I have known in my local community?
- Do I have a fixed view about where God is to be found in my life?
- How can I be more open to his presence?

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### **Concluding Prayer**

Forgive me, Lord, for the times I have not listened to people who speak words I do not wish to hear. Forgive me, Lord, for the times I have judged others by their outward appearance. Help me, Lord, to let go of my fixed views and to find you in the presence of those who walk along beside me, today and every day. Amen.

### **The Grail Prayer**

Lord Jesus, I give you my hands to do your work;  
I give you my feet to go your way;  
I give you my eyes to see as you do;  
I give you my tongue to speak your words;  
I give you my mind, Lord, that you may think in me;  
I give you my spirit that you may pray in me.  
Above all, Lord, I give you my heart,  
that you may love in me your Father and all humankind;  
I give you my whole self that you may grow in me,  
so that it is you, Lord Jesus,  
who live and work and pray in me.  
Amen.

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### ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Following a Religious Education Inspection last term, we learnt that "**St Benedict's Catholic Primary School is an outstanding school in providing Catholic Education**". The full report can be found at the back of St Benedict's Church. Below are some more excerpts from the report.

"The school is a bright, inviting and colourful environment which reflects its mission throughout. The world view display celebrates the commitment the school has to culture and diversity. There are dedicated prayer spaces throughout the school. An aesthetically pleasing hall with coloured glass and Stations of the Cross is an inviting environment for worship. Classroom displays reflect the worth given to children's work and are used well."

"The school is a supportive and joyful community. A staff member expressed, 'Our ethos is special and permeates all elements of school life. I am proud to be part of the St. Benedict's family and very grateful that this is where I get to work every day'."

"Staff promote high standards of behaviour and are outstanding role models of mutual respect and forgiveness for pupils. There is a commitment to Catholic Social Teaching, caring for their common home and the dignity of every human person."

"The headteacher, senior leaders and governors are deeply committed to the Church's mission in education. They are role models of Catholic leadership. They are energised by the task and are a source of inspiration for the whole community."

"The quality of teaching, learning and assessment in Religious Education is outstanding."

*More next week*

**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**

With God, the burdens of life rest not upon our shoulders alone: the Holy Spirit comes to give us strength, to encourage us, to bear our burdens.

*(17 August)*

Let us ask Our Lady to protect and sustain us; that we may have a strong, joyful and merciful faith; that she may help us to be saints, to meet her one day in Paradise.

*(16 August)*

**LET US HOLD IN PRAYER**



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

*St Benedict's* Orlaith Kane

**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, Ernie Roocroft

*St Mary's* Luciano Bartolo, Bill Turner

*St Oswald's* Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Jo Roberts, Sam Johnson, Margaret Watts (nee McGinty), Mike McCarrick, Doreen Thurston

*Other Parishes* Catherine Donaldson, Alan Brompton, Baby Arthur Hanvey, Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Jackson, Fr Cassian Dickie OSB

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

*Archdiocese* Fr David Elder

**This Week's Prayer Intentions:**

- † For young Greta Thunberg who is sailing from Plymouth to New York to raise awareness about climate change.
- † For those in our community who serve as police officers – may the Lord protect them and bring them safely home to their families.
- † For a loving acceptance and a deep respect for all those who feel excluded by the Church, especially those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning.
- † For the people and priests of St Mary's Shrine – both past and present – as they celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of St Mary's Church on Friday.
- † For those suffering with dementia and for their families, friends and all who care for them.

*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 their name and number. Many thanks.*

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**  
Sunday – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Year (C)  
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 21  
Divine Office – Psalter Week 1

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
Sirach 3: 19-21, 30-31  
Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24  
Luke 14: 1, 7-14

**ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB WINNER**  
18 August - No. 38 Ruth Ramsay

**THE TABLET MAGAZINE**

This week a Double Summer issue of The Tablet is on sale at St Benedict's. Price £4.00

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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

**PARISH FINANCE**

**Offertory Collection Sunday 18 August 2019**

*St Benedict's* £306.84 (£131.50 GA)  
*St Oswald's* £467.91 (£200.49 GA)  
Standing Orders £70.15 (£65.54 GA)  
**PARISH TOTAL** £844.90 (£397.53 GA)

**OTHER INCOME**

Poor Box £31.76

*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