

The Parish of Blessed James Bell

Serving St Benedict's, St Mary's & St Oswald's, Warrington



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 15 September 2019

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)

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Our Benedictine Heritage

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 15 - 22 September 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 15 September <i>24th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> Home Mission Sunday	10.30 am Children's Mass <i>The Parishioners,</i> <i>Elizabeth Rigby</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Children's Vigil Mass <i>Andy Banks</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Margaret Jean Cripps</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass 4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group
Monday 16 September <i>Saints Cornelius & Cyprian</i>		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 17 September	11.30 am Exposition 12.15 pm Mass <i>James Malone</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Tommy O'Brien</i>
Wednesday 18 September	9.30 am Mass <i>Nora Buchanan</i>	
Thursday 19 September	11.00 am Mass at Ryfields Retirement Village	9.30 am Mass <i>Alan Taylor</i> 7.00 pm Novena
Friday 20 September <i>Saint Andrew Kim Taegon & Companions</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>Alek Sandras</i> No Meditation	
Saturday 21 September <i>Feast of St Matthew, Apostle</i>		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Fr Gerald Postlethwaite</i>
Sunday 22 September <i>25th Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> Day of Prayer in Thanksgiving for the Harvest	10.30 am Mass <i>Special Intention</i> 2.00 pm Blessing of Animals	8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass 4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group



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

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

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Today is 'Home Mission Sunday' when we pray especially for the spread of the Gospel in our own country. There will be a Second Collection to help fund the Home Mission Office and the work of evangelisation in England and Wales. For more information about the Home Mission Office or to donate online, please visit www.homemission.org.uk

FAMILY GROUPS

The first meeting of the new Family Groups takes place at St Benedict's today (Sunday) at 12.00 noon.

ST BRIDGET'S IS 30 YEARS OLD!

There will be a service to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church of the Resurrection and St Bridget in the form of a 'Songs of Praise' today (Sunday) at 3.00 pm, followed by afternoon tea at 4.00 pm. All are welcome.

RESTORED LIVES

Recovery from Divorce and Separation

The Restored Lives course is a series of six meetings starting this Thursday, 19 September. The course is for any person who has been impacted by the end of a serious relationship whether separated, currently going through a divorce or already divorced. Meetings are free, confidential, informative and affirming. For further details, please contact Maureen O'Brien on 07967 753371 or Jacqui Sellek on 07793 825815.

OPEN GARDEN AFTERNOON

'In Memory of Sarah'

Next Saturday, 21 September, St Oswald's Catholic Primary School will be holding an Open Garden Afternoon from 1.00 – 3.30 pm. Come along and enjoy a walk through our lovely gardens and take a look at the work of our young environmentalists and gardeners, many of whom will be available to act as your guides and tell you about their fantastic work. Refreshments will be served from the garden tea shed.

This event will be an opportunity for our school and parish community to come together to remember our late Chair of Governors, Mrs Sarah Boardman, who sadly died in June. Sarah loved the gardens, and the school will be dedicating them to Sarah's memory during this special afternoon.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

You are invited to bring your pet (or a photo of your pet) to a **Service of Blessing and Prayer for Animals** at St Benedict's next Sunday, 22 September, at 2.00 pm. If your pet has died, you might like to bring a photo of them so that we can display them and remember them. The service will be followed by refreshments. PLEASE ensure your pet is safe (i.e. in a carrier or on a lead). All are welcome.



THANK YOU

Samuel Jackson sends his thanks to the SVP for the wonderful present they gave him for his 98th Birthday. Happy belated birthday Samuel from the rest of us!

LUNCH CLUB

The Lunch Club takes place this Tuesday, 17 September, from 12.00 noon until 2.30 pm at St Benedict's Parish Centre. Tickets cost just £3.00. Next months tickets will be available at this event.

LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting this Thursday, 19 September, in the Parish Centre lounge at St Oswald's at 8.15 pm.

SEASON OF CREATION

Pope Francis often talks about society's throwaway culture. Here, in the West, one of the signs of a throwaway culture is the waste of food. Pope Francis says, "food that is thrown away might as well have been stolen from the table of the poor, the hungry" (5 June 2013). This week perhaps notice what you throw away, particularly food. If I'm throwing food away, is there a way I can prevent this?

Thank you for what you are trying to do to care for creation.



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

MASS OF ANOINTING

There will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick for parishioners on Sunday 29 September at 1.30 pm in St Oswald's Church, followed by refreshments in St Oswald's Parish Centre. *Please note:* this Mass fulfils the Sunday obligation.



What is the Sacrament of the Sick?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is no longer the Last Rites! Through the apostle James, Jesus commanded us: "Are there any sick among you? Let them send for the priests of the Church, and let the priests pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick persons, and the Lord will raise them up; and if they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven them" (cf. James 5: 14-16).

Who is the Sacrament for?

The sacrament is for those "whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age". In addition, "a sick person may be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery. Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present. Sick children may be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament" (cf. *Introduction to the Pastoral Care of the Sick, paragraphs 8-12*). I also think the sacrament is appropriate for those suffering with mental health issues (e.g. depression, dementia, etc), those with ongoing medical conditions, those trying to overcome addiction, and those suffering disability or trauma. If you are unsure, please have a word with me.

Sign Up!

At the back of each church, there is a sign-up sheet. Please write your name (initials will do) and indicate (a) if you wish to be anointed, (b) if you will be staying for refreshments, and (c) if you need transport by putting a ✓ or a X as appropriate.

Eucharistic Ministers and other Parish Visitors: PLEASE invite those you visit and sign the sheet on their behalf. Many thanks. *Fr Dave*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will take place on Wednesday 2 October at 7.00 pm in St Oswald's Parish Centre. This will be an open meeting and any parishioner is welcome to attend. If you would like an item considered for the agenda, please submit to Fr Dave or the Parish Office no later than 25 September 2019. Thank you.

SEE NOTICEBOARD FOR...

1) **New Lay Governance Roles for the Archdiocese** - the Archbishop wishes to appoint four additional lay trustees, and establish four committees to carry out detailed policy work on behalf of the Trustees and Archbishop's Council.

2) **National Mass for Altar Servers** at 2.00 pm on Saturday 21 September at the Cathedral.

3) **Liverpool Romero Lecture** on Wednesday 25 September at 6.45 pm in the 001 Theatre, Cornerstone Hope University (Everton Campus) Liverpool L3 8DR, preceded by Mass at nearby SFX Church at 5.45 pm.

4) **Vacancy for Parish Administrator** at St George's, Maghull.

5) **'Come & See'** Conference on 12 & 13 October at Christ the King High School, Southport.

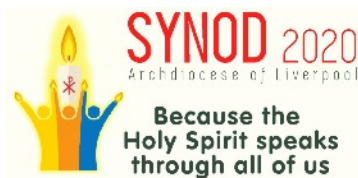
MARRIAGE PREPARATION FACILITATORS

Did you know that couples who marry in the Catholic Church require marriage preparation? We are looking to train single and married couples as part of a team to deliver our marriage preparation (1 day) course? Think you could help? Please contact Maureen O'Brien on 0151 522 1044 or m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk

EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION

It's 100 years since Pope Benedict XV's encyclical 'Maximum Illud' called on Catholics to bring the Good News to all peoples. To commemorate this anniversary, Pope Francis has declared October 2019 to be an Extraordinary Month of Mission. This special month of prayer and action calls us all to renew our missionary commitment: to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all peoples. For more information: www.missio.org.uk

SYNOD TALKS



As we move to the next phase of our Synod Journey, there will be a series of talks to help us to better understand some of the pressing concerns of the Church and society. The talks will take place in Liverpool Hope University Chapel. Tea and coffee from 7.00 pm, talk at 7.30 pm concluding at 8.45 pm. Optional Night Prayer at 9.00 pm.

The first talk will take place on **Monday 7 October**. **Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ** will speak on **The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis: A Synodal Catholic Church**.

The talk will address:

- Our context: the signs of the times in Church and Society.
- Synod as renewal of faith, reform of Church, missionary focus.
- Biblical, historical and ecumenical roots of Synodality.
- Pope Francis and Synodality - from an 'era of change' to a 'change of era'.
- How this might translate on the ground in parishes/dioceses.

All welcome!

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

What must one do to be a good Christian? The answer is simple: we have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus says in the Beatitudes.

(9 September)

Try to keep quiet a moment and let God love you. Try to silence all the inner voices, and rest for a second in His loving embrace.

(5 September)

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, 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, Deacon John Traynor

Those who have died recently, especially:

Other Parishes Elizabeth Rigby (aged 14)

This Week's Prayer Intentions:

- † For those who no longer come to church – may the Holy Spirit show us how we might lovingly reach out to them, especially to those who are close to us.
- † For those who will go to sleep tonight unfed and unwelcome, strangers in foreign lands, people who have fled for their lives and are far from their homes.
- † For the working poor – those who work hard but don't earn enough to support their families or themselves.
- † For politicians and all who make decisions that affect the future of the earth – may they safeguard our common home for future generations.
- † For those who have asked us to pray 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 or give him their name and number. Many thanks.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR
Sunday – 24th Sunday of Year (C)
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 24
Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
Amos 8: 4-7
1 Timothy 2: 1-8
Luke 16: 1-13

ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB WINNER
8 September - no. 41 Chris Ledden
Subscriptions now due..

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 & 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

PARISH FINANCE

Offertory Collection Sunday 8 September 2019

St Benedict's £337.89 (£191.50 GA)
St Oswald's £389.21 (£172.80 GA)
Standing Orders £70.15 (£65.54 GA)
PARISH TOTAL £797.25 (£429.84 GA)

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St Benedict's £111.80 (£68.50 GA)
St Oswald's £190.35 (£83.70 GA)
PARISH TOTAL £302.15 (£152.20 GA)

OTHER INCOME

Poor Box £48.88
Parish Caritas £100.00 (Anonymous Donation. Thank you)

Second Collection Today: Home Mission Sunday

Thank you so much for your wonderful generosity