

# 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 6 October 2019

27<sup>th</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 6 - 13 October 2019

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 6 October</b> <i>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> Rosary Sunday	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i>	<b>(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Vincent Hennessey</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Jordan &amp; Walsh Families</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b> <b>4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group</b>
<b>Monday 7 October</b> <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>		<b>7.30 pm Prayer Group</b>
<b>Tuesday 8 October</b>	<b>11.30 am Exposition</b> <b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Brian Hughes</i>
<b>Wednesday 9 October</b>	<b>9.30 pm Mass</b> <i>Ruth Webster</i>	
<b>Thursday 10 October</b>		<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Charles O'Malley</i> <b>2.30 pm Service or Welcome</b> <b>with Reception</b> <b>7.00 pm Novena</b>
<b>Friday 11 October</b> <i>Pope St John XXIII</i>	<b>12.00 noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's</b>	
<b>Saturday 12 October</b>	<b>4.30 pm Wedding Service</b> <i>(Tracy Marie Gresty &amp; Garry Whittacker)</i>	<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Stanislaw &amp; Genowefa Matkowski</i>
<b>Sunday 13 October</b> <i>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)</i> Synod Sunday	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>&amp; Kathryn Bradshaw</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Agnes &amp; Gerard Dolan</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b> <b>4.30 pm Polish Prayer Group</b>

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

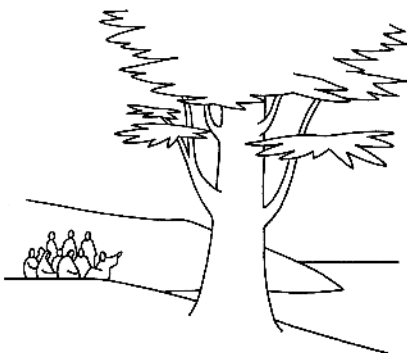
Tuesdays 11.30 am - 12.05 pm St Benedict's

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**

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Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

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**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**

**ROSARY SUNDAY**

Today, the first Sunday in October, is a Day of Prayer for Nugent (formerly 'Nugent Care').



Nugent continues the kind and essential work started by Father James Nugent in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, helping the most vulnerable people in our communities. "Our ideal is that everyone is able to live comfortably and in dignity. Unfortunately, for many people this is not the case in their lives, or for some part of their life, and Nugent aspires to be there for them. It is essential that through our service provision, we aim to be dignified and outstanding in all that we do."

Nugent strives to do this in three ways:

- To care, educate, protect and inspire those in need.
- To be an employer of choice.
- To be an advocate: A voice for the voiceless.

Check out Nugent's website: [www.wearenugent.org](http://www.wearenugent.org)

**O Lord, we bring before you  
the distress and dangers of peoples and nations,  
the pleas of the imprisoned and the captive,  
the sorrows of the grief-stricken,  
the needs of the refugee,  
the helplessness of the weak,  
the weariness of the despondent,  
and the diminishment of the ageing.  
O Lord, stay close to all of them.  
Amen.**

*(St Anselm of Canterbury, 1033-1109)*

**OCTOBER DEVOTIONS**

During the month of October, Fr Dave will lead the Rosary each week. This week, the Rosary will be prayed after the 9.30 am Mass on Tuesday at St Oswald's.

**EXTRAORDINARY MONTH OF MISSION**

During October, Pope Francis has asked us to join him in praying the following prayer at midday each Friday:

God our Father,  
when your Son Jesus Christ rose from the dead,  
he commissioned his followers  
to 'go and make disciples of all nations'.

Through our Baptism you send us out  
to continue this mission among all peoples.

Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit  
to be courageous and enthusiastic  
in bearing witness to the Gospel,  
so that the mission entrusted to us,  
which is still far from completion,  
may bring life and light to the world.

May all peoples experience the saving love  
and generous mercy of Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, forever and ever.  
Amen.

**SYNOD SUNDAY**

Next weekend, we will begin the next stage of our Synod journey as Synod Sunday is celebrated across the Archdiocese. In preparation, you might like to take one of the 'Thank you' cards from the back of church, fill it in and bring back next weekend.

**MASS OF ANOINTING**

Many, many thanks to John Lawless and the SVP for helping with the Mass of Anointing last Sunday, to Fr Austin and Deacon Tony for assisting me, and to everyone else who helped, whether it was making tea and coffee, greeting people as they arrived or being on hand simply to help. Thank you to all those who came and to those who assisted with transport. It was a beautiful celebration of God's care and his closeness to those bearing the cross of sickness, suffering and old age. *Fr Dave*

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)**

Many thanks to those who were able to attend the PPC last Wednesday. Items discussed included:



**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."



Synod 2020, the Grotto at St Benedict's, the church roof at St Oswald's, the Season of Creation, Remembrance during November and other forthcoming events. Minutes will be available in the folder at the back of church from next week-end. Next meeting: Wednesday 20 November at 7.00 pm at St Benedict's.

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

#### **FAMILY GROUPS**

The next meeting will be on Saturday 9 November, 2.00 – 4.00 pm, in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre. Please bring along your favourite game to share – board games, cards, dominoes, etc., or you could try your hand at the Chinese game Mah-Jong (Clare's choice). Tea, coffee and juice will be provided – cake contributions most welcome.

#### **LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE**

**23 July - 1 August 2020**

Application forms for next year's Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes are available to download from the Animate website [www.animateyouth.org](http://www.animateyouth.org) Young people from parishes in Warrington and Widnes, aged between 15 and 22 at the time of travel, are invited to travel with Coach 6. Deposit is £50. Email Dan Antonio, Coach Leader, for more information: [lourdescoach6@gmail.com](mailto:lourdescoach6@gmail.com) and follow the coach on Facebook, Twitter (@lourdescoach6) and Instagram (coach6lourdes).

#### **CANONISATION OF JOHN HENRY NEWMAN**

Pope Francis will canonise John Henry Newman next Sunday, 13 October. In preparation for this event, we are invited to take part in a Novena of Prayer from 4 to 12 October. Copies of the Novena are available at the back of church and on the Parish website.

#### **SEE NOTICEBOARD FOR...**

- 1) 'Come & See' Conference on 12 & 13 October at Christ the King High School, Southport.
- 2) **Annual Healing Service** at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral on Saturday 19 October, 3.00 – 7.00 pm.
- 2) **Liverpool Hope University Lecture** - 'Christian Faith in the City over 175 years. Is it 'Better Together' or getting worse?' by Bishop Tom Williams on Tuesday 22 October at 5.30 pm.

#### **SYNOD TALK**

*"The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis: A Synodal Catholic Church"*

Former Irish Provincial, Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ, will examine Pope's Francis' focus on a renewed Church with a missionary focus and how this can be translated on the ground in parishes. He will review the opportunities, barriers and fruits of being a more Synodal Church and how this demands a change of role for bishops, the ordained and all the baptised in the world today.

The talk marks the twelve-month countdown to Synod 2020 and is a key to the whole synodal process that the



Archdiocese has embarked upon. Monday 7 October in Liverpool Hope University Chapel L16 8ND. Tea and coffee from 7.00 pm, talk at 7.30 pm concluding at 8.45 pm. Optional Night Prayer at 9.00 pm. All are welcome!

#### **Next Steps**

At the end of September, all the Synod Members gathered at 'The Edge' in Wigan to receive the report from the listening stage of our Synod journey, and to hear the announcement of the four themes that have emerged from all the listening that has taken place from February to July.

Over 20,000 people took part in the listening – in parishes, schools, online and in focus groups. All this information was read and sent to Hope University and, under the guidance of Father Peter McGrail, was presented to the Synod working party in August. You can read the full report (130 pages) on the Synod website: [www.synod2020.co.uk](http://www.synod2020.co.uk) (under 'News'). During a three-day retreat, the Working Party prayed, read, shared, discerned and eventually four themes emerged.

These four themes will give us all the opportunity to listen some more, reflect, and eventually make proposals for action to the Synod, which will be voted on and guide the Archbishop in writing a Pastoral Plan for the Archdiocese.

The four themes are:

- All called and gifted by God
- Sharing the mission of Jesus
- How we pray together
- Building community, nurturing belonging

#### **Synod Sunday 2019**

Next Sunday, 13 October, has been designated as the 2nd Synod Sunday. This is also the day on which Pope Francis will declare Blessed John Henry Newman a saint of the Church. This seems hardly a co-incidence. Cardinal Newman was a great scholar but also a great pastor. He brought his many and varied gifts to the service of the Church in this country – first to the Church of England, and then to the Roman Catholic Church.

Father Andrew Unsworth wrote this about Cardinal Newman: 'He is often portrayed as a great defender of the role of conscience in the Christian life and so he was, especially as conscience guides conduct. However, conscience must also be understood in the context of Christian obedience to the teachings of Revelation and the interpretations and judgments of the Church's Magisterium. Cardinal Newman is often quoted as saying in connection with the need to consult the people of God: "I sought to hear the voice of God and climbed the topmost steeple, but God declared: "Go down again - I dwell among the people."'

It seems right and fitting that this next part of our Synod journey, which will involve more listening and discerning, should be under the intercession of the soon to be Saint John Henry Newman.

**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**

Through our small steps of love, God does great things. He accomplishes the salvation of the world. Let us entrust to St Therese of the Child Jesus, our faithful friend, the Extraordinary Missionary Month.  
*(1 October)*

The true face of love is mercy. By practicing it, we become a disciple of Jesus and the heart of the Father shows itself.  
*(27 September)*

**LET US HOLD IN PRAYER**



**Rite of Welcome:**

Today we welcome Tobias Ralphson and Alyssa Hempson who will be baptised this month.

**Those who will be married next weekend:**

*St Benedict's* Tracy Marie Gresty & Garry Whittacker

**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:**

*St Benedict's* James 'Alan' Brown

**This Week's Prayer Intentions:**

† For all those who work for Nugent – in the spirit of Fr James Nugent, may they have the wisdom and encouragement they need as they seek to serve the poor and vulnerable.

† For the Synod of Bishops from the Amazon meeting in Rome – that all the participants will be guided by the Holy Spirit.

† That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church (*Pope Francis*).

† For the volunteer Street Pastors from our local churches who patrol the streets of Warrington town centre on Friday and Saturday nights.

† Prayer for Extraordinary Month of Mission (see page 2)

***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 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year (C)  
Weekdays – Year 1, Week 27  
Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**  
2 Kings 5: 14-17  
2 Timothy 2: 8-13  
Luke 17: 11-19

**ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB WINNER**  
22 & 29 September  
To Be Confirmed

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

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

**PARISH FINANCE**

**Offertory Collection Sunday 29 September 2019**

St Benedict's	£289.77	(£123.00 GA)
St Oswald's	£488.86	(£248.55 GA)
Standing Orders	£70.15	(£65.54 GA)
<b>PARISH TOTAL</b>	<b>£848.78</b>	<b>(£437.09 GA)</b>

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Home Missions £5.00

**OTHER INCOME**

Poor Box £20.20

**Second Collection Today: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day**

*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
	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