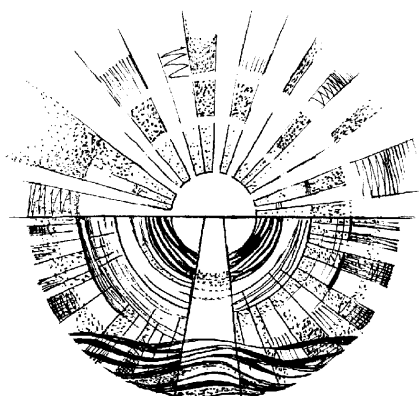


PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

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



Newsletter

**32 Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
6 November 2022**

My dear sisters and brothers,

Thank You

Thank you so much to all those who helped with Fr Gildea's Funeral Mass on Thursday and with the reception in the Parish Centre afterwards. More than 400 people gathered in St Oswald's and so many remarked on the welcome they received and the warmth of the liturgy. As many of us know personally, these moments in people's lives matter greatly and, working together, we were able to provide a fitting tribute to a wonderful priest.

Installation of Canons

The new Canons will be installed this Tuesday in the Cathedral by the Archbishop during Mass at 12.15 pm. The coach will depart from St Oswald's at 11.00 am and from St Benedict's at 11.10 pm. We expect to leave the Cathedral no later than 2.00 pm. The Mass will be livestreamed on YouTube at this address:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHKaokaz3LU

Warm Spaces

We offered our first 'warm space' last Wednesday at St Benedict's, and it went very well. About 15 people came along. Two things we learnt:

(1) It's better to finish before 4.00 pm because it gets darker earlier now that the clocks have gone back. So we'll continue to run the warm space from 12.00 noon on Wednesdays (with soup from 12.00 – 1.00 pm) but finish at 3.00 pm.

(2) We could do with some 'hosts' – volunteers to welcome those who come, show them where drinks are, etc. Three hosts per Wednesday, i.e. one per hour, would be ideal. If you could help, please contact Celia in the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Remembrance Sunday

Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. We will join churches and groups across the country by celebrating Masses of Remembrance, Peace and Hope over the weekend. We will also join the Acts of Remembrance at Bridgefoot and Bennetts Rec by keeping two minutes' silence at each Mass to remember those who gave their lives in war and armed conflict.

Advent Collections

The cost-of-living crisis is serious and is affecting most of us. So I've been wondering whether or not to have our usual Advent collections this year. Speaking with some of you, the opinion is to go ahead as usual because that's what we do as Christians – we share what we have. So I suggest three collections this year:

1) Warrington Foodbank

The Foodbank exists to provide emergency supplies when people are desperate. People have to be referred to access the Foodbank and, when they go, volunteers try to help them so that they don't have to continue to use the Foodbank. So, please buy an extra item when you're out shopping, bring it to church, and we'll take it to the Foodbank.

2) Parish Caritas Fund

If you wish, you could make a donation to our Parish Caritas Fund. We use this money to support those who are struggling through no fault of their own.

3) St Francis Collection

Food, treats and toys to help Warrington Animal Welfare care for the enormous number of animals that are tragically abandoned during the year, especially at present and over the Christmas period.

With my prayers,
Fr Dave

General Information

1) **Fr Dave** is available by phone (01925 630127) or by email frdave@rcaolp.co.uk Address: St Benedict's Priory, Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE.

2) The **Parish Office** is open Monday to Friday, 9.00 am – 5.00 pm. Tel: 01925 630127. Email address: blessedjamesbell@rcaolp.co.uk

3) **Parish Website** www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk

4) Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession is available on request or by appointment.

5) **St Benedict's Church** is open for private prayer: Monday to Friday, 9.30 am – **3.00 pm**. Our churches are also open 30 minutes before Mass.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

	St Benedict's	St Oswald's
Sunday 6 November 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	10.30 am Mass Patrick Timoney	(Sat) 4.30 pm Vigil Mass Kathleen Postlethwaite 8.30 am Mass The Parishioners
Monday 7 November		7.00 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 8 November		No Mass today <i>(Installation of Canons)</i>
Wednesday 9 November Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	11.00 am Mass Maureen Murray	1.00 pm Funeral Service Arthur John Peers
Thursday 10 November St Leo the Great		11.00 am Mass Private Intention (LISC) 7.00 pm Novena & Benediction
Friday 11 November St Martin of Tours	11.00 am Mass McGinly Family	
Saturday 12 November St Josaphat	2.00 pm Mass in Cantonese <i>(with Fr Gervais Baudry)</i>	4.30 pm Vigil Mass Rita Devine
Sunday 13 November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) <i>Remembrance Sunday and World Day of the Poor</i>	10.30 am Mass Those who died in war and armed conflict	8.30 am Mass The Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

30.10.22	£656.89	(£233.66 Gift Aid)
Standing Orders	£122.07	(£98.99 Gift Aid)
Digital Giving	£172.00	(£27.00 Gift Aid)
Total	£950.96	
Donations	£120.00	(Parish Caritas)
	£100.00	(Warm Spaces)

Thank you so much for your generosity.

MUSIC AT THE MET

Faure's Requiem and Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on a Theme of Thomas Tallis and Five Mystical Songs performed by Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Choir, Liverpool Mozart Orchestra with Baritone Damian O'Keeffe and Conductor Christopher McElroy. Saturday 12 November at 7.00 pm in the Cathedral. Tickets £10 (£5 u18, NUS, over 65) from www.ticketsource.co.uk/metcathedral

VACANCIES

Liverpool College is looking for a part time Chaplaincy Assistant. Closing date 7 November 2022.

www.liverpoolcollege.org.uk/vacancies

The Archdiocese is looking for a Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator. Closing date 23 November 2022. www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs

PARISH WEBSITE

There's lots going on across the Archdiocese and online. If you go to our Parish website, on the left-hand side of the front page you will find the weekly Pastoral Development Bulletin and the monthly newsletter from Irenaeus. Scroll down and there's lots more information which is updated regularly.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

(Divine Office – Psalter Week 4)

Today	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
<i>Readings</i>	2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3: 5 Luke 20: 27-38
Weekdays	Ordinary Time – Year 2, Week 32

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

St Benedict's & St Mary's

Luciano Bartolo, Vera Brindle, Hilda Creagan, Carol Feeney, Malcolm Hackwell, Jean Hendricks, Anne Hill, Mary Hinchliffe, Thomas Ireland, Susan Keating, Peter Milner, Trina Mouldsdale, Sandra Richardson, Kate Rigby, Pembolina Smith, Matilde Valentine, Paul Vernon, Dolores Woodall.

St Oswald's

Keith Bate, Louise Boughy, Catherine Carne, Peter Cox, Susan Disley, Betty & Tom Fiddler, Margaret Inkersol, Sam Johnson, Miriam Jones, Mike McCarrick, Jean Murphy, Sheila Pinnock, Jo Roberts, Cathy Spencer, Claire Taylor, Margaret Watts.

Other Parishes

Alan Brompton, Catherine Donaldson, Deacon John Trainer, John Hughes (Vietnam), June Fallon, Jean Jones, Margaret Mobbs, Pamela Watson (*nee* Park).

Those who have died recently, especially:

Arthur John Peers, Jack Skelland and Allan Leigh.

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