

# PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

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



## Newsletter

**10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**  
**9 June 2024**

My dear sisters and brothers,

### Confirmation

A very warm welcome to the young people who are preparing for Confirmation, and their families, who are joining us for Mass this weekend. It's an opportunity for us to welcome these young parishioners of ours, encourage them and pray for them.

Next Saturday, the young people will visit our Cathedral in Liverpool. They will see the chapel where the Oil of Chrism is kept which Bishop Tom Neylon will use to anoint them when they are confirmed. Then on 30 June, they will gather for a BBQ at St Oswald's and a short rehearsal in church.

### Corpus Christi Procession

Thank you to all those who were able to come to last Sunday's Parish Corpus Christi Procession. It really was a lovely, prayerful celebration of Christ walking among his people. There were a lot more people in the town centre this year – they stopped and watched as we processed. Thank you to those who helped as marshals, to the First Communion children and to everyone who took part.

### Padgate & Woolston Walking Day

Churches Together in East Warrington, who have organised Walking Day for many years, are most grateful to Sue Emery and other local councillors, together with volunteers from the local community and Poulton with Fearnhead Parish Council, for stepping up so that Padgate & Woolston Walking Day can take place this year on Saturday 22 June. As one of the churches taking part, we need some volunteers to carry the

statues and the church banner. Please sign the list at the back of church if you can help. Many thanks.

### D-Day Anniversary

This week, veterans arrived in Normandy to commemorate the D-Day landings eighty years ago on 6 June 1944. It was the largest seaborne invasion in history. So many lost their young lives, but their sacrifice dramatically changed the course of the Second World War. We will remember them always.

### General Election

It is not the place of the Church to advise people how they should vote, but there are issues that are important to us as Catholics. Gospel values offer a different way of looking at politics, a way that puts the common good before self-interest. There are many issues of interest to Catholic voters. On the Bishops' Conference website, there are thoughts about these issues as well as questions to put to candidates. It's well worth reading: [www.cbcew.org.uk/election24](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24)

### Day for Life

Next Sunday is the annual 'Day for Life' – the day in the Church's calendar when we celebrate the gift of life from conception to natural death. There will be a Second Collection next weekend to support the Church's 'Day for Life' projects. For more information and resources: [www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life)

*With my prayers,  
Fr Dave*

## General Information

- 1) **Parish Priest:** Canon Dave Heywood. Tel: 01925 630127. Email: [frdave@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:frdave@rcaol.org.uk) Address: St Benedict's Priory, Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE.  
**Deacons:** Rev Tony Kerrigan & Rev David Boyle.
- 2) **Parish Office:** Mrs Bernie Griffin. Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 am – 2.30 pm. Tel: 01925 630127. Email address: [blessedjamesbell@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:blessedjamesbell@rcaol.org.uk)
- 3) **Parish Website** [www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk](http://www.blessedjamesbell.co.uk)
- 4) **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**  
Wednesdays: 10.15 – 10.45 am at St Benedict's  
Saturdays: After the 4.30 pm Mass at St Oswald's  
Confession is also available on request.
- 5) **St Benedict's Church** is open for private prayer: Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 am – 2.30 pm.
- 6) **Communion at Home** – If you are not able to come to Mass and would like to receive communion at home, please phone the Parish Office (630127).

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

	St Benedict's	St Oswald's
<b>Sunday 9 June</b> 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> Tom Barnard	<b>(Sat) 4.30 pm Vigil Mass</b> Wilfred Dolley <b>8.30 am Mass</b> The Parishioners
<b>Monday 10 June</b>	<b>12.15 pm Funeral Service</b> Stephen James McGowan	
<b>Tuesday 11 June</b> St Barnabas		<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Nadine Davies
<b>Wednesday 12 June</b>	<b>10.15 – 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>11.00 am Mass</b> Eileen Warburton	
<b>Thursday 13 June</b> St Anthony of Padua		<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Theresa & George Williams <b>7.00 pm Novena &amp; Benediction</b>
<b>Friday 14 June</b>	<b>No Mass today</b> <i>(Fr Dave interviewing at school)</i>	
<b>Saturday 15 June</b>		<b>4.30 pm Vigil Mass</b> Sarah Boardman
<b>Sunday 16 June</b> 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) <i>Day for Life</i>	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> Glenis Dewane	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> The Parishioners

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

02.06.24	£809.37	(£370.26 Gift Aid)
Standing Orders	£156.75	(£107.50 Gift Aid)
Digital Giving	£249.00	(£149.00 Gift Aid)
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1215.12</b>	
Fundraising	£37.50	(Hot dogs)

*Thank you so much for your generosity.*

### LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting this Thursday, 13 June, at 8.00 pm in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre. All ladies welcome.

### WARRINGTON WALKING DAY

Warrington Walking Day is due to take place on Friday 28 June. As usual, we need help carrying the statues and marshals for the procession. If you can help, please sign the list on the noticeboard. Many thanks.

### JOB VACANCY

An opportunity has arisen in the Pastoral Development Department for a dedicated training coordinator. If you know of anyone who may fit the role – ideally with a background in education and helping people to prepare for the sacraments – please do encourage them to apply. A job description along with recruitment pack can be found under 'careers' on the Archdiocesan website: [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk)

### LORETO GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Please see church noticeboard for Loreto Grammar School's Open Day for Entry to Year 7 in 2025 on Saturday 29 June (9.30 am – 1.00 pm), and for the School

Alumnae Tea and Cakes on Saturday 29 June (1.30 – 3.30 pm). Full details: [www.loretogrammar.co.uk](http://www.loretogrammar.co.uk)

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

*(Divine Office – Psalter Week 2)*

<b>Today</b>	<b>10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</b>
<i>Readings</i>	Genesis 3: 9-15 2 Corinthians 4: 13-5: 1 Mark 3: 20-35
<b>Weekdays</b>	Ordinary Time – Year 2, Week 10

### LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

**Those who are sick or homebound, especially:**

*St Benedict's & St Mary's*

Malcolm Hackwell, Jean Hendricks, Anne Hill, Mary Hinchliffe, Jim Hyland, Ged Hughes, Susan Keating, Sheila Mellor, Peter Milner, Trina Mouldsdale, Sandra Richardson, Kate Rigby, Pembolina Smith, Matilde Valentine, Peter Ward, Dolores Woodall.

*St Oswald's*

Keith Bate, Catherine Carne, Peter Cox, Dave Ferris, Betty Fiddler, Marguerite Jones, Clarry Knowles, Jo Roberts, Cathy Spencer, Claire Taylor, Margaret Watts, Margaret Whitlow.

*Other Parishes*

Marie Barnes, Catherine Donaldson, June Fallon, James Hutchison, Archbishop Patrick Kelly, Margaret Mobbs, Sr Maire Moms, Elizabeth Nash, Margaret Smith, Pamela Watson.

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

Stephen James McGowan, James Buckley.