

# PARISH OF BLESSED JAMES BELL

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



## Newsletter

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)  
7 July 2024

My dear sisters and brothers,

### Warrington Walking Day

A huge thanks to all those who took part in this year's Warrington Walking Day. A special thanks to Clem Lawton and Chris Jones for all their hard work in preparing for the day and keeping us all together during the walk; to those who acted as marshals, carried the statues, the church banner and the Cross; to Margo and Mary for decorating the statues; to Mr Forde, the staff and children of St Benedict's Catholic Primary School together with parents and parishioners who either walked or lined the roads; to the Northenden Pipe Band for accompanying us; and to Adam and the Staff in the Parish Centre.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

This weekend, it is our joy to host the sacrament of Confirmation for all the parishes in Warrington. Ninety young people will gather at St Oswald's with their families and friends in two celebrations. Bishop Tom Neylon, Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool, will preside at the celebrations. Please keep the young people and their families in your prayers.

### Feast of St Benedict

This year's Feast of St Benedict falls on Thursday 11 July. St Benedict's Catholic Primary School will celebrate the day on Thursday with Mass at 9.15 am in school and various activities during the day. We will celebrate the feast in church during the Masses next weekend.

### Ordinations

Next Saturday, 13 July, four deacons will be ordained to the priesthood in the Cathedral at 12.00 noon. They are: James Finnegan, Martin Fyles, Peter Ross and Lister Tonge. Please keep them in your prayers.

### Deanery News

Today, members of the Deanery Synodal Council will be speaking at all the Masses in the Deanery to give us an update about the work they've been doing in recent months. Many thanks to our reps for doing this.

As you know, our Deanery now includes Widnes as well as Warrington. Widnes will be experiencing some changes this summer. Bishop John Rawsthorne and Fr Bill Murphy will be retiring after many happy years serving as part of the team of priests in Widnes. Fr Thomas Clarke will be going to Louvain in Belgium to continue his studies in Canon Law. This leaves Fr Mark Moran serving Widnes. Fortunately, he will be joined by Peter Ross who will be ordained next Saturday. Still, from four priests, Widnes will now have to adjust to having two priests from September.

Here in Warrington, we're very fortunate to still have six priests, but there are likely to be changes in the next twelve to eighteen months. That means we may have to adjust to where and when we have Sunday Masses as the people of Widnes are having to do this summer.

### 'Fun in the Sun'

There will be an event especially for children after the 10.30 am Mass at St Benedict's next Sunday, 14 July. Games, food and fun, criss-cross, juggling, skipping, musical chairs, free food boxes and drinks. Adults £2, Children free. All are welcome.

*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:** Miss 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 7 July</b> 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> Mary Mannion & Family	<b>(Sat) 4.30 pm Vigil Mass</b> Maureen Fisher <b>8.30 am Mass</b> The Parishioners <b>2.00 pm Confirmations</b>
<b>Monday 8 July</b>		
<b>Tuesday 9 July</b>	<i>(7.00 pm Confirmations in Widnes)</i>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Garry O'Donnell
<b>Wednesday 10 July</b>	<b>10.15 – 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>11.00 am Mass</b> Sue Boyle	<b>1.15 pm Funeral Mass</b> Robert Victor Tann
<b>Thursday 11 July</b> Feast of St Benedict, Abbot <i>(Transferred to Sunday 14 July)</i>	<b>9.15 am Mass at St Benedict's School</b> 2.00 pm Funeral for Iris Price at Walton Lea	<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Mark Kelly <b>6.00 pm Medley Music Concert</b> <i>(No Novena &amp; Benediction)</i>
<b>Friday 12 July</b>	<b>11.00 am Mass</b> Holy Souls	
<b>Saturday 13 July</b>		<b>4.30 pm Vigil Mass</b> Philomena McCarron
<b>Sunday 14 July</b> <i>Sea Sunday</i> Feast of St Benedict, Abbot 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> Jaqueline Massey	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> The Parishioners

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

30.06.24	£643.05	(£208.35 Gift Aid)
Standing Orders	£156.75	(£107.50 Gift Aid)
Digital Giving	£303.00	(£161.00 Gift Aid)
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1102.80</b>	
Fundraising	£255.00	(200 Club)
	£37.10	(Hot Dogs)
Walking Days	£102.20	(Children of Gaza)

*Thank you so much for your generosity.*

### ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

**June Winners:** £50 – Man Man, £25 – John Molphy, £15 Rollover to July, £10 – Mary McMillan. Many thanks everyone.

### LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting this Thursday, 11 July, at 8.00 pm in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre.

### LOURDES DEPARTURE MASS

The Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Departure Mass will take place with Archbishop Malcolm in the Cathedral today (Sunday) at 5.00 pm. All are welcome.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASS

Did you know that we run an English language class for anyone for whom English is not their first language? The class takes place at St Oswald's Parish Centre every Tuesday, 10.00 – 11.30 am. It's free, friendly, informal and all are welcome.

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

*(Divine Office – Psalter Week 2)*

<b>Today</b>	<b>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</b>
<i>Readings</i>	Ezekiel 2: 2-5 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10 Mark 6: 1-6
<b>Weekdays</b>	Ordinary Time – Year 2, Week 14

### 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 Mouldsdales, Christine Murphy, 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, Jo Roberts, Cathy Spencer, Claire Taylor, Margaret Watts, Wilf Whelan, 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:**

Robert Victor Tann ('Vic'), Iris Price.