

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 12 February 2017
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)



Our Benedictine Heritage

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St Benedict's Church is open Monday - Friday 9.00 am – 4.30 pm for Private Prayer (Exc. Bank Holidays)

St Benedict's & St Oswald's Masses & Services 12 - 19 February 2017

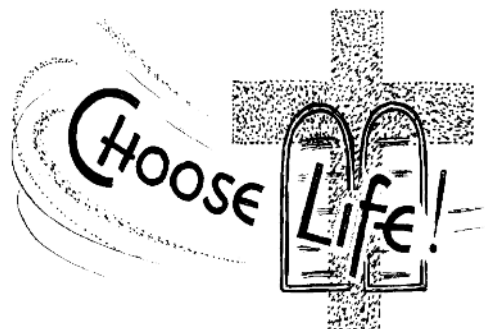
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 12 February <i>6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)</i> Racial Justice Day	10.30 am Baptism Mass <i>Wedding Anniversary</i> <i>(Kath & Syd Bradshaw)</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Eileen Lawton</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners, Carole Lawless</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 13 February		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 14 February <i>Feast of Saints Cyril & Methodius</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Robert Crook</i>
Wednesday 15 February	9.30 am Mass <i>Nadine Davies</i>	
Thursday 16 February		9.30 am Mass <i>Win & Ken Haddock</i> 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 17 February	10.00 am Funeral Service <i>Deborah Jayne Preston</i> 12.15 pm Mass <i>R & I Casey</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 18 February		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>Ged Snelson</i>
Sunday 19 February <i>7th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)</i>	10.30 am First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>The Parishioners, Patrick Cullen</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Anne Williams</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Saturdays 10.00 am – 11.45 am St Mary's*
5.15 pm – 5.45 pm St Oswald's
Weekdays 11.40 am – 12.05 pm St Mary's
Tuesdays 11.30 am – 12.05 pm St Benedict's*

*With Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

WEBSITES Parish: stmarysandstbenedictswarrington.co.uk
St Mary's: www.stmaryswarrington.org.uk



St Mary's Shrine, Buttermarket Street, Warrington WA1 2NS

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Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

Rector: Fr de Malleray FSSP malleray@fssp.org Assistant: Fr Mawdsley FSSP james.mawdsley@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

RACIAL JUSTICE DAY

Today, the Catholic Church in England and Wales celebrates Racial Justice Day, to raise awareness of our responsibility to eradicate racial discrimination in all its forms within the Church and wider society. Racial justice is a gospel imperative since Christ called us not just to welcome all who we meet, but to treat people with dignity and respect in every aspect of our private and public lives.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDER

New DBS checks for parishioners at St Benedict's TODAY (Sunday), 1.00 – 2.30 pm, at St Benedict's Priory. Remember to bring your ID documents and information for references. Many thanks. *Fr Dave*

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK (7 – 14 February)

National Marriage Week celebrates its 20th anniversary this year. The week's aim is to draw attention to the value of marriage, for individuals, family life and civil society. Why not have a look at the Marriage and Family Life section on the Archdiocesan website: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk (click on 'Formation' on the left-hand side of the home page).

FIRST COMMUNION 2017

First Meeting for Children

St Benedict's

Tuesday 14 February, 3.15 – 4.15 pm, in church

St Oswald's

Thursday 16 February, 3.45 – 4.45 pm, in church

First Communion Preparation Mass (1)

St Oswald's – Saturday 18 February at 6.00 pm

St Benedict's – Sunday 19 February at 10.30 am

"BELIEVE – REFLECTIONS ON THE CREED"

The fifth in a six-part series exploring the treasures of our faith, as expressed in the Creed we say at Sunday Mass, takes place this Wednesday, 15 February, 7.30 – 9.00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. Everyone welcome.

SOUP LUNCH AT ST BENEDICT'S

Tuesday 14th February, 1.00 pm in the Sacristy. Home made soup and a traditional pudding. Just the ticket for these cold days. £2.50.

RECOVERING AND MOVING ON AFTER DIVORCE

For Catholics and other Christians who are divorced or separated (recently or in the past) or who are experiencing the breakdown of a marriage or a long term relationship. Small confidential groups; no charge, but booking is essential.

Meetings include:

Prayer

Reflection and discussion

Support from other Catholics in a similar situation

Information about practical matters and sources of help

Information about annulment and reassurance about the position of divorced Catholics in the Church

To book a place on the South Liverpool course please call Maureen Trotman on 0151 727 2195.

To book a place on the Ormskirk course please call Maureen O'Brien on 07967 753371.

General enquiries may be directed to Maureen O'Brien, Marriage and Family Life Coordinator, LACE, 0151 522 1044. m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk.

VALENTINES QUIZ EVENING

This Wednesday, 15th February, (a week earlier, due to the Panto), St Benedict's will hold a special Valentines Quiz Night to raise those final funds for the Grotto. (£4.50)

ST BENEDICT'S DRAMA GROUP PRESENTS

'SNOW WHITE & THE SEVEN DWARVES' "As a special Thanks to Miriam Lawton"

**At St Benedict's Parish Centre
Rhodes Street**

Wed 22 Feb - £2.50 ticket

Thurs 23 Feb - £3.00 ticket

Fri 24 Feb - £3.50 ticket

**Doors will open at 7.00 pm
for 7.30 pm start**

Tickets are available from Miriam or
pay on the door.

Enquiries to Angela Tattersall on
07758 656510. Please text her for a call back.

MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear friends,

February 11 is World Day of Prayer for the Sick. It was started by Saint John Paul II as a way for the church to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses and coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

This weekend, people around the world take time to pray for the sick and for those who work tirelessly to alleviate suffering. Charitable organizations mark this day by providing the sick with medicines, food, and spiritual guidance.

Throughout the archdiocese in our hospitals, care homes, hospices, family homes and chaplaincies we have wonderful people dedicated to caring for our sick, and I'd like to begin this message by acknowledging with deep gratitude the incredible care they provide.

Due to the fact that the world day of prayer coincides with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, I wanted to draw your attention to our diocesan pilgrimage each July. Ever since the 1920s, when our first pilgrims left Liverpool for Lourdes, it has been an important way in which we have tried to help those who are ill to realise a goal of visiting the shrine. Over the years countless numbers of sick pilgrims have been able to offer their own prayers at the grotto, not least because of the dedicated support of medical professionals and volunteers - hospitalité and youth alike. Nationally we are one of the largest diocesan pilgrimages to Lourdes - last year we were over 1,200 pilgrims - and as you can imagine the planning is detailed and time consuming. In fact preparations have been well underway since the autumn by our dedicated team of volunteers.

Lourdes holds a special place in my own heart and is a highlight of my year. Being able to spend time together as a diocesan family both in prayer and socially in the streets and cafés, not least with our assisted pilgrims, deepens the bonds that we have with each other and renews our faith and following of Christ.

This weekend every parish, care home, hospice and hospital are being given posters and leaflets about our pilgrimage to remind us it is possible for people of all physical needs, ages and dependencies to be able make a pilgrimage to Lourdes. Through our wonderful healthcare team, our generous hospitalité volunteers who provide the expertise and backbone support to our journey and time in Lourdes, along with our wonderful young people who facilitate the safe passage of our assisted pilgrims to services, our pilgrimage is a wonderful and life-changing event. I would like to encourage each one of you to consider becoming a new member of our pilgrimage team. Please pick up a leaflet as you leave church today and find out how to become part of our pilgrimage to Lourdes. By doing so you will not only have a terrific experience yourself but you will also make it possible for those who are poorly to enjoy the same encounter with God's love, at the grotto, supported with the powerful prayer of Our Lady and St Bernadette.

Therefore, as we continue to pray for those who suffer from various physical illnesses, and those suffering from mental illness and dementia, let us equally give thanks to all those who are dedicated to caring for them throughout the year. In addition, let us renew our commitment to serving them in whatever way we can and making it possible for them to experience the gift and prayer of Lourdes. Our aim is simple... to make it possible.

With every candle lighted by you for loved ones this weekend I promise my prayers too, along with prayers of gratitude to all those who give their lives in caring for them. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

+ Malcolm McMahon OP
Archbishop of Liverpool

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

15 - 19 MAY 2017

£499.00 + Insurance

There are limited places available, so you will need to act quickly. If you are interested or for more information, please contact Jean Bluck on 01925 813506.

Deadline Wednesday 22 February

CONFIRMATIONS AT ST MARY'S SHRINE

Archbishop McMahon will celebrate Confirmations in the Extraordinary Form at St Mary's Shrine on Saturday 20 May at 3.00 pm. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the Confirmations, ending with refreshments at 4pm. Anyone wishing to be confirmed on this occasion should contact Fr James Mawdsley, FSSP (james.mawdsley@fssp.org) as soon as possible. Candidates must be at least 13 years of age, though adults too may apply.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Weekdays – Year 1, Week 6

Divine Office – Psalter Week 2

Monday	Gen 4: 1-15, 25
	Mk 8: 11-13
Tuesday	Acts 13: 46-49
	Lk 10: 1-9
Wednesday	Gen 6: 5-8; 7: 1-5,10
	Mk 8: 14-21
Thursday	Gen 9: 1-13
	Mk 8: 27-33
Friday	Gen 11: 1-9
	Mk 8: 34 – 9:1
Saturday	Heb 11: 1-7
	Mk 9: 2-13
Sunday	Lev 19: 1-2, 17-18
	1 Cor 3: 16-23
	Mt 5: 38-48

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those to be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's Angelo Philip Berry

St Oswald's Sophia Rose Bishop & Matilda Violet Cousins

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

St Benedict's Paul Vernon, Brenda Snelson, Jean Molphy, Beryl Campbell, Anne Hill, Susan Keating, Alan Brown, Ann Wilson, Bill Hampson, Marney Hampson, Peter Milner, James Malone, Sally O'Connor

St Mary's Geoff Barlow, Peppina Vella, Mary Wright, Luciano Bartolo, Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9)

St Oswald's Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah Boardman, James Keenan, Michael Donlan, Fr Charles Canning

Other Parishes Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 9), Fr Bernard Higham
Canon Gerry Wharton

Those who have died recently, especially:

St Benedict's Deborah Jayne Preston

St Mary's Kathleen Green

St Oswald's Agostino D'Anza

Archdiocese Fr Kevin Snape

Prayer for Racial Justice

Father, you created each one of us in your own image. Yet yours is a world made glorious by its rich diversity. This we sometimes misunderstand, sometimes fear. Give us the patience to build on what unites us, to celebrate our differences and to learn from them. Grant us the wisdom to recognise your Church, beyond the walls of a building, reaching out across all communities, countries and cultures.

Give us the courage to offer refuge to those in need, to challenge prejudice and seek justice for all. Help us see that you created us in your image. Neighbour or stranger, always our brother or sister. Amen.

(The Catholic Association for Racial Justice)

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 a note of their name and phone number. Thanks

Prayer for National Marriage Week

Lord of life and love, we pray for all who are preparing for marriage; for those who are already married and for those who find their marriages difficult. Be with them all; in their joy and sadness, their hopes and their expectations, and above all, help them to understand that you hold them in love each moment of their lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

“Let us never forget to pray for one another.

Prayer is our greatest strength.”

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ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

5 Feb. Winner:

No. 18 Michael Hines

Please keep subscriptions up to date to ensure entry weekly.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

For items to be included in the parish Newsletter, please ensure the office receives them by **Wednesday**

Tel. 630127 or email stbenedicts.warrington@rcaolp.co.uk

ST OSWALD'S PARISH CENTRE

The Week Ahead

Sunday	9.00 pm	Quiz – Concert Room
Monday	2.00 pm	Sequence Dancing
	7.30 pm	Line Dancing
Wednesday	8.00 pm	Bingo

Contact Lynne Tel. 812266 for bookings

ST BENEDICT'S PARISH CENTRE

The Week Ahead

Sunday	8.30 pm	Cabaret Night
Monday	6.00 pm	Rainbows Group
	7.45 pm	Bingo
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Valentine Quiz Night - (Grotto)
Thursday	7.00 pm	Line Dancing

Contact Steve on Tel. 633920 after 7pm for bookings

Parish Finance – Thank you so much for your offerings on Sunday 5 February

ST BENEDICT'S £323.16 (£162.65 Gift Aid), £10.00 CAFOD

ST MARY'S £1,068.49 (£442.50 Gift Aid + £252.15 Weekday)

ST OSWALD'S £509.96 (£267.00 Gift Aid)