

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 19 February 2017

Seventh 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 19 - 26 February 2017

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 19 February <i>7th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)</i>	10.30 am First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>The Parishioners,</i> <i>Patrick Cullen</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm First Communion Preparation Mass (1) <i>Ged Snelson</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Anne Williams</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 20 February		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 21 February	12.15 pm Mass <i>Kitty Dolley</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Vincent Hennessey</i>
Wednesday 22 February <i>Feast of the See of St Peter the Apostle</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Mabel Ross</i>	10.00 am Funeral Service <i>Agostino D'Anza</i>
Thursday 23 February <i>St Polycarp</i>	9.30 am Funeral Mass at St Mary's Shrine <i>Kathleen Green</i>	
		7.30 pm Novena
Friday 24 February	12.15 pm Mass <i>Ruth & Andy</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 25 February		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>Michael Donlan</i>
Sunday 26 February <i>8th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)</i> Day of Prayer for the Unemployed	10.30 am Mass <i>Fr Augustine Measures OSB</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>The Holt Family</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

FIRST COMMUNION 2017

A warm welcome to the children in Year 4, and their parents, who will be joining us for Mass this weekend.

RESTORATION OF THE GROTTA

After 12 months of fundraising - quizzes, soup lunches, raffles, cake sales and donations, etc - we have reached the grand total of £5066.00. Thank you so much for your incredible generosity. Works will begin in March. *Fr Dave*

"BELIEVE – REFLECTIONS ON THE CREED"

The series exploring the treasures of our faith, as expressed in the Creed we say at Sunday Mass, concludes this Wednesday, 22 February, 7.30 – 9.00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. Everyone welcome.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

"The responsibility for the ministry of consolation rests with the believing community... The community's principal involvement in the ministry of consolation is expressed in its active participation in the celebration of the funeral rites... The faith of the Christian community in the resurrection of the dead brings support and strength to those who suffer the loss of those whom they love" (Introduction to the *Order of Christian Funerals*, paragraph 9).

Many thanks to those who have offered to help with Funeral Masses when they can – either by singing and joining in the Mass responses, or by helping to get the church ready, etc. We could do with a few more volunteers. Please think about it and, if you think you could help out sometimes, please sign the sheet at the back of church. *Fr Dave*

LENTEN MEDITATION AT ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY CENTRE

9 Museum Street, Warrington WA1 1JA

The Lenten Meditation Course begins at 7.30 pm on Monday 27th February, and runs for six consecutive Mondays.

ST JOSEPH'S PRAYER CENTRE FORMBY

Saturday 25th February, 10.00 - 4.00 pm

'The Woman at the Well' led by Donna Worthington and Sandra McGrath (£20 inc. Lunch). Please call 01704 875850 for more information.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT (27 February – 12 March)

The food on our tables, the tea and coffee in our mugs, all comes from farmers who toil, sweat and slog. But, however hard they work to provide the things we depend on, millions of farmers in developing countries aren't paid what they deserve. The Fairtrade movement tries to raise awareness about the way farmers are being exploited. It does this by helping shoppers to make choices that can change the lives of farmers and workers. Buying products with the FAIRTRADE Mark means we support farmers as they work to improve their lives and their communities. More information can be found at www.fairtrade.org.uk



In addition to a Fairtrade Stall at the back of church after each Mass next weekend, **I would like to invite all parish groups to begin using Fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar for all parish events and meetings** (once present stocks are used up). You can obtain supplies either free from the Parish Office at St Benedict's, or purchase them from the Fairtrade Stall at the back of church (which will become a regular feature), the market or from local supermarkets. Many thanks. *Fr Dave*

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.

FR AUGUSTINE MEASURES OSB

Last weekend, we received the sad news that Fr Augustine Measures OSB died peacefully on 9 February at the age of 89. Fr Augustine served St Benedict's (1982 – 1986) and St Mary's (1986 – 1997). His Funeral Mass took place at Ampleforth Abbey on Friday.



Fr Augustine was born in Wembley in November 1927 and educated in Welbury and at Ampleforth College. From 1946-1948 he was an Army (Tanks) Radio Instructor, before joining the monastic community at Ampleforth Abbey in September 1948. Fr Augustine studied at St Benet's Hall in the University of Oxford from 1951-1955,

and a year after being ordained priest in July 1958, he joined the monastic community at St Louis in Missouri, which had been founded from Ampleforth Abbey in 1955. Fr Augustine returned to North Yorkshire in 1964 and became Senior Classics Master in Ampleforth College, before moving to parish ministry in Bamber Bridge in 1968. For nearly forty years, Fr Augustine continued to serve on the parish missions in Cardiff, Warrington and Brindle, before returning to St Benedict's Monastery at Bamber Bridge in 1999.

One of Fr Augustine's great passions was the radio and in the late 1960s he qualified and obtained a Radio Amateur Licence. In 2006, he began sending out daily audio homilies to more than 250 listeners and websites around the world.

Poor health led to Fr Augustine's return to Ampleforth Abbey in June 2014, where he resided in the monastery infirmary until his death.

TEN IDEAS FOR LENT

Five this week – and five next week!

1) Ecumenical Lent Course

Padgate Methodist Church – Tuesday 7, 14, 21, 28 March & 4 April at 1.30 pm. All are welcome. For more information, see noticeboard or contact Rev Mark Coles (266537).

2) Scripture Study Group

A series of five meetings to read and explore the Sunday Gospels during Lent, using images and discussion to help our reflections: Wednesday 8, 15, 22, 29 March & 5 April, 7.00 – 8.00 pm (with refreshments from 6.30 pm), at St Benedict's.

3) Lenten Cafe for Parents

"You, your children and their Catholic Faith" – three enjoyable and engaging DVD talks by David Wells with plenty of stories and humour: Wednesday 15, 22 & 29 March, 7.00 – 8.00 pm, at St Oswald's Parish Centre.

4) 50p Collection for Refugees

Following the success of last year's collection, you are invited to bring 50p every time you come to church during Lent. Last year, this money provided hot drinks and food to those living in the refugee camps in Greece. Sadly, the camps are still there and the need is as great as it was last year.

5) Thought for the Day

There will be a thought, prayer or reflection posted on the parish website each day during Lent.

ST OSWALD'S LADIES GROUP

On Thursday 23 February, the Ladies Group will be meeting in the Lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre at 8.15 pm for a Hot Pot Supper. Please remember to bring your plates, knives and spoons etc.

DID YOU ATTEND ST ALBAN'S JUNIOR AND SENIOR SCHOOL, KING STREET, WARRINGTON?

A King Street School Re-union is being planned for later in the year and if you would like more details, or if you are not on Facebook but have photographs which you would like to share, please contact Frank Hawley on 07714 108933 or Angela Horrigan on 07974 679799.

JOB VACANCIES

St Benedict's Parish Centre (Tel. 633920)

Part time Bar Person required. Contact Steve on the number above after 7.00 pm.

St Oswald's Parish Centre (Tel. 07939 574790)

Two part time Cleaners required. Contact Lynne on the number above.

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 4 pm. 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

7th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Weekdays – Year 1, Week 7

Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

Monday	Sir 1: 1-10
	Mk 9: 14-29
Tuesday	Sir 2: 1-11
	Mk 9: 30-37
Wednesday	1 Pt 5: 1-4
	Mt 16: 13-19
Thursday	Sir 5: 1-8
	Mk 9: 41-50
Friday	Sir 6: 5-17
	Mk 10: 1-12
Saturday	Sir 17: 1-15
	Mk 10: 13-16
Sunday	Is 49: 14-15
	1 Cor 4: 1-5
	Mt 6: 24-34

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those to be baptised this weekend:

<i>St Benedict's</i>	Annabella Wainwright
<i>St Oswald's</i>	Esme Rose Embury

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

<i>St Benedict's</i>	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
<i>St Mary's</i>	Geoff Barlow, Peppina Vella, Mary Wright, Luciano Bartolo, Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9)
<i>St Oswald's</i>	Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah Boardman, James Keenan, Michael Donlan, Fr Charles Canning
<i>Other Parishes</i>	Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 9), Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Higham

Those who have died recently, especially:

<i>St Oswald's</i>	Agostino D'Anza
<i>St Mary's</i>	Kathleen Green & Fr Augustine Measures OSB
<i>Archdiocese</i>	Fr Kevin Snape & Canon Gerry Wharton

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For the children beginning their preparation for First Communion, and for their parents and families.
- † For Carly Stubbins, Jacqui and all those preparing to be received into the Church at Easter.
- † For the pupils and staff of St Gregory's Catholic High School.
- † For the children who are in danger of the interruption of pregnancy, as well as for persons who are at the end of life — every life is sacred! — so that no one is left alone and that love may defend the meaning of life (*Pope Francis*).
- † That we may treasure and respect the animals God has given to us, and care enough to stand up against the cruelty inflicted on so many.

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. Many thanks.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

“I invite you to join in the fight against poverty, both material and spiritual. Together let's build peace and bridges of friendship.”

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ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

12 Feb. Winner:

No. 23 Mary Naughton

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**

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
Thursday	8.15 pm	Ladies Group - Lounge

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
Tuesday	12 noon - 2.30 pm	Lunch Club
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Snow White Production
Thursday	7.30 pm	Snow White “
Friday	7.30 pm	Snow White “

Contact Steve on Tel. 633920 after 7pm for bookings

Parish Finance – Thank you so much for your offerings on Sunday 12 February

ST BENEDICT'S £520.47 (£196.15 Gift Aid), £199.70 Grotto Restoration (Total now £5066, target reached!) Inc. £79.70 from Soup Lunch, £20 donation in memory of Kitty Dolley & £101.00 from the Valentines Quiz.

ST MARY'S £990.05 (£441.50 Gift Aid + £213.88 Weekday)

ST OSWALD'S £598.56 (£337.00 Gift Aid)