

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 2 April 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent (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 2 - 9 April 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 2 April <i>5th Sunday of Lent (A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Brian Martin Curley</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>Ronnie Peers & Tommy McCarthy</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Margaret Flint</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 3 April		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 4 April	12.15 pm Mass <i>James Taylor</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Bill & Teresa Moss</i>
Wednesday 5 April	9.30 am Mass <i>Joe Ramsay</i>	
Thursday 6 April		9.30 am Mass <i>Vincent Hennessey</i> 7.30 pm Lenten Penance Service
Friday 7 April	9.15 am School Mass <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i> 11.45 am Stations of the Cross 12.15 pm Mass <i>Stephanie Casey</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 8 April		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>George & Doreen Cartes</i>
Sunday 9 April <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Harry Collins</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners & 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



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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



REFUGEE CRISIS

a) 50p Collection

You are invited to bring 50p every time you come to church during Lent. At the end of Lent, this money will be sent to help the many refugees from Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan who are living in makeshift camps in Greece.

b) Knitted or Crocheted Squares

The Prayer Group at St Oswald's are appealing for knitted or crocheted squares which they will stitch together to make shawls and blankets for those in the refugee camps. If you are able to make a square or two (approx 9" squared), it would really help. There's a box at the back of church.



ECUMENICAL LENT COURSE

The Ecumenical Lent Course concludes this Tuesday, 4 April, at 1.30 pm at Padgate Methodist Church. All welcome.

SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP

The series of meetings exploring the Lenten Sunday Gospels concludes this Wednesday, 5 April, 7.00 – 8.00 pm, in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. Refreshments available from 6.30 pm. All welcome.



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE
Service of Reconciliation at 7.30 pm
this Thursday, 6 April,
at St Oswald's.

LOURDES YOUTH

PALM SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING & RAFFLE

Raffle tickets are on sale for the Easter Hampers before and after each Mass up to and including Palm Sunday. The Draw will take place at the Coffee Morning in St Oswald's Parish Centre after the 8.30 am Mass on Palm Sunday. All proceeds to Lourdes Youth.

LADIES GROUP MEETING

The Ladies group will be meeting at St Oswald's Parish Centre lounge on Thursday 6 April at 8.15 pm.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CAFOD'S EAST AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL

The United Nations has warned that the world faces the largest humanitarian crisis in more than 70 years. Severe drought, lack of food and civil war mean that over 16 million people across East Africa are facing starvation. Some parishioners have asked how we might help. I think the best way to help is to support the work CAFOD is already doing in the region. So there will be an opportunity to support CAFOD's emergency appeal for East Africa after the Masses next Sunday, 9 April. For more information: www.cafod.org.uk/eastafrica

THE JOY OF LOVE

Fr Chris Thomas will offer an introduction to *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on marriage and the family, as an aid to reflection, dialogue and pastoral practice through the lens of the home, parish and school partnership: Wednesday 20 April at LACE, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm including lunch. There is no charge for the day, but booking is essential: please contact Maureen O'Brien 0151 522 1044 or m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk

MEGA YOUTH POLL – YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

In 2018, Pope Francis will invite Bishops and others to Rome to talk about Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. At this gathering, they will discuss how the Catholic Church can accompany young people in their faith and help them to hear God's call. If you are aged between 13-29 years old, the Catholic Church in England and Wales would like to hear from you. We want to hear what life is like, your thoughts on faith and how you connect with the Catholic Church. **To help you tell us, we have created a Youth Poll which is accessible using this link:** <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll>

If you're not in this age group but would like to help, please encourage the young people you know to respond to this poll by giving them the link.

NOW OPEN - YMCA CHARITY SHOP - POACHERS LANE, LATCHFORD (NEAR LIDL) Open Wednesday - Sunday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm. Homemade Crafts, up cycled furniture available and more.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

5th Sunday of Lent A
Weekdays – 5th Week of Lent
Divine Office – Psalter Week 1

Monday	Dan 13: 41c - 62
	Jn 8: 1-11
Tuesday	Num 21: 4-9
	Jn 8: 21-30
Wednesday	Dan 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
	Jn 8: 31-42
Thursday	Gen 17: 3-9
	Jn 8: 51-59
Friday	Jer 20: 10-13
	Jn 10: 31-42
Saturday	Ezek 37: 21-28
	Jn 11: 45-56
Sunday	Is 50: 4-7
	Phil 2: 6-11
	Mt 26: 14–27:66

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Rite of Welcome

This weekend, we welcome Matthew & Sophie O'Garra, Luca Christopher Gabica, Thomas Daniel O'Connor and Archie Clements who will be baptised this month.

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, Dorothy McCarthy, Vera Brindle, George Smith, Lol McGann
<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

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For Carly, Jacqueline and all those who will be received into the Church at Easter.
- † For the children preparing for First Communion, and for their parents and families.
- † For our Christian brothers and sisters who are suffering persecution for their faith - may we be united with them (*Pope Francis*).
- † That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life (*Pope Francis*).
- † For those who are sick – at home or in hospital, for their relatives who are worried about them, and for all who lovingly serve them as nurses, doctors or carers.

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.

ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

26 March Winner:

No. 134 Albert Austin £50

(Subs next week please)

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

"Fasting is fruitful when accompanied by concrete expressions of love towards our neighbours, especially those in difficulty."

24 March

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Parish Newsletter items - please ensure the office receives them by **Wednesday**

Tel. 630127 or email

stbenedicts.warrington@rcaolp.co.uk

HELP AT HOME

If you need a little help at home with cleaning, windows, skirtings, shopping etc. Please call Zeta Higgins on 07943 948512



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
	7.45 pm	Bingo
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Drama Group
Thursday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing

Contact Steve on Tel. 633920 after 7pm for bookings

Parish Finance – Thank you so much for your offerings on Sunday 26 March

ST BENEDICT'S	£460.82 (£219.55 Gift Aid), Refugees £133.50, Grotto £113.50 (Donations £23.50, Quiz £90.00) Piety Shop (March) £56.70
ST MARY'S	£961.47 (£255.00 Gift Aid + £344.42 Weekday)
ST OSWALD'S	£682.70 (£370.61 Gift Aid), Refugees £88.90