

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 26 March 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent (A)

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Our Benedictine Heritage

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 26 March - 2 April 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 26 March <i>4th Sunday of Lent (A)</i> Laetare Sunday	10.30 am First Communion Preparation Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>Rita & Dermott Lappin</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm First Communion Preparation Mass <i>Anne-Marie Donlan & Tony Johnson</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Christopher, Beryl & Max Wordsworth</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 27 March		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 28 March	12.15 pm Mass <i>Eileen Lawton</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Jo Roberts (70th Birthday)</i>
Wednesday 29 March	9.30 am Mass <i>Deceased of the Risley Family</i> <i>(1.30 pm Stations of the Cross</i> <i>with Year 2)</i>	
Thursday 30 March		9.30 am Mass <i>Vincent Hennessey</i> 7.30 pm Stations of the Cross
Friday 31 March	11.45 am Stations of the Cross 12.15 pm Mass <i>Bernard Farrington & John Berry</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	<i>(2.30 pm Year 5 Class Mass</i> <i>In School)</i>
Saturday 1 April		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>Ronnie Peers & Tommy McCarthy</i>
Sunday 2 April <i>5th Sunday of Lent (A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Brian Martin Curley</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Margaret Flint</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 continues this Tuesday, 28 March, at 1.30 pm at Padgate Methodist Church. All are welcome.

SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP

The series of meetings exploring the Lenten Sunday Gospels continues this Wednesday, 29 March, 7.00 – 8.00 pm, in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. Refreshments available from 6.30 pm. All welcome.

LENTEN CAFE FOR PARENTS

The final of the three part series entitled, "You, your children and their Catholic Faith", takes place this Wednesday, 29 March, 7.00 – 8.00 pm, at St Benedict's Church.

FIRST COMMUNION

Final Meeting for Children this week:

St Benedict's

Tuesday 28 March, 3.15 – 4.15 pm, in church.

St Oswald's

Thursday 30 March, 3.45 – 4.45 pm in church.



LOURDES YOUTH 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.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Service of Reconciliation at 7.30 pm on Thursday 6 April at St Oswald's.

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 on Palm 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.

REMEMBER - THE MONTHLY FUNDRAISING QUIZ
This Wednesday at St Benedict's Parish Centre. 7.30 pm for 7.45 pm start . Entry £4.00. Funds towards the Grotto.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

4th Sunday of Lent A
Weekdays – 4th Week of Lent
Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

Monday	Is 65: 17-21 Jn 4: 43-54
Tuesday	Ez 47: 1-9, 12 Jn 5: 1-16
Wednesday	Is 49: 8-15 Jn 5: 17-30
Thursday	Ex 32: 7-14 Jn 5: 31-47
Friday	Wis 2: 1a, 12-22 Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday	Jer 11: 18-20 Jn 7: 40-53
Sunday	Ez 37: 12-14 Rom 8: 8-11 Jn 11: 1-45

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's Kevin & Ciara Hargreaves
St Oswald's Elizabeth Barrett

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, Dorothy McCarthy, Vera Brindle, George Smith, Lol McGann
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), Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Higham

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For the children preparing for First Communion, and for their parents and families.
- † For Carly, Jacqueline and all those who will be received into the Church at Easter.
- † For the victims, their families and all affected by the terrible attack in Westminster on Wednesday.
- † For those who responded so bravely to the incident, and for all who put their lives on the line each day so that we can live in peace.
- † For the millions of women, men and children facing starvation in East Africa and the many aid agencies trying to help them.

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

19 March Winner:
No. 4 Jonathan Berry

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

"I invite you not to build walls but bridges, to conquer evil with good, offence with forgiveness, to live in peace with everyone."
18 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

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
	7.30 pm	**Quiz Night - For the Grotto**
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 19 March

ST BENEDICT'S	£395.77 (£215.99 Gift Aid), Refugee 50p Collection £49.16, £10 Donation to Easter Flowers
ST MARY'S	£895.00 (£322.00 Gift Aid + £305.64 Weekday)
ST OSWALD'S	£443.33 (£219.68 Gift Aid), CAFOD £15.00, Refugees £121.85, Lenten Alms £15.00