

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

Newsletter

Sunday 30 April 2017
Third Sunday of Easter (A)



Archdiocese of Liverpool



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)

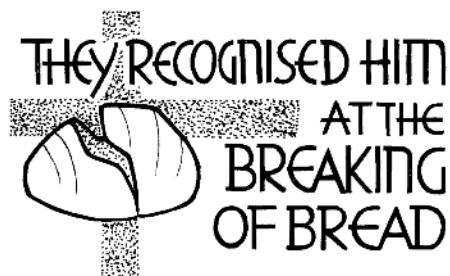
St Benedict's & St Oswald's Masses & Services 30 April - 7 May 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 30 April <i>3rd Sunday of Easter (A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Special Intention (FO)</i>	(Sat) 8.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners & Mona Donnelly</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>John Henry & Elizabeth Kinney</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 1 May <i>St Joseph the Worker</i>		No Prayer Group <i>(Recommences next week at 7.30 pm)</i>
Tuesday 2 May <i>St Athanasius</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Margaret Flint</i>
Wednesday 3 May <i>Feast of Ss Philip and James Apostles</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Doris Forster</i> 6.30 pm First Communion Service of Sorrow	
Thursday 4 May <i>Feast of the English Martyrs</i>		9.30 am Mass <i>Thomas & Ethel Shufflebotham</i> 6.30 pm First Communion Service of Sorrow 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 5 May	12.15 pm Mass <i>Isaac Webster</i> <i>(2.00 pm Year 6 Class Mass in School)</i> No Meditation	
Saturday 6 May		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Michael Donlan</i>
Sunday 7 May <i>4th Sunday of Easter (A)</i> World Day of Prayer for Vocations	10.30 am First Communion Mass (Group 1) <i>Doris Whittle</i> <i>Gerard Whittle</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> <i>Gilbert Cox</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

Weekdays	11.40 am - 12.05 pm	St Mary's Shrine
Tuesday	11.30 am - 12.05 pm	St Benedict's*
Saturday	10.00 am - 11.45 am	St Mary's Shrine*
	5.15 - 5.45 pm	St Oswald'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

Telephone: 01925 635664 Website: www.stmaryswarrington.org.uk

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

WELCOME FR AUSTIN!

I thought you might need a break from me, so Fr Austin has kindly offered to preside at the Masses this weekend. I hope he isn't too good! *Fr Dave*

PRAYER GROUP

There will be no Prayer Group meeting at St Oswald's on Monday 1 May. It will resume as usual next Monday evening at 7.30 pm.

LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting on Thursday 4 May at 8.15 pm in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre.

CHURCHES TOGETHER EXHIBITION

There will be an exhibition of Church Activities in North East Warrington at the Church of the Resurrection and St Bridget, Cinnamon Brow, on Saturday 6 May, 2.00 – 4.00 pm. Come and see what we are all about. Refreshments will be provided.

FIRST COMMUNION

Next Sunday, we will welcome the first group of children in Year 4 at St Benedict's who will celebrate their First Communion with us during the 10.30 am Mass. Although the first group of children is the largest of the three groups, there will be room for everyone in church and Mass won't be any longer than usual. We celebrate First Communion during Sunday Mass because it is about the children taking part fully in the Mass for the first time with the Parish Community. It is an opportunity for the Parish to welcome the children and their families. If you like, we all push up to make space for our young brothers and sisters at the Lord's Table. *Fr Dave*

SECOND COLLECTION

Next Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. There will be a Second Collection at the end of Mass for the Priests Training Fund. Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of church.

FURNITURE FOR REFUGEES

If you can help supply any of the following items, please call the Parish Office. *Items needed immediately:* freezer,

bedside cabinets, wardrobes, sideboard. *Other items:* dining room furniture, microwaves, TV, vacuum cleaners. Many thanks.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PRAYER GUIDANCE

From time to time, most of us feel the need for a little help with prayer. If you're feeling like that just now, you might appreciate one of the following workshops which will be led by Prayer Guides from The Cenacle: **Wednesday 17 May (1.00 – 3.00 pm)** or **Wednesday 24 May (7.00 – 9.00 pm)**. Both workshops will take place in the Holy Family Chapel at St Benedict's. Refreshments will be served 30 minutes beforehand.

SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS

All parishioners from the three parishes who have a DBS, and others who are interested, are invited to a Safeguarding Awareness evening in **St Benedict's Parish Centre on Wednesday 17 May, 7.00 – 9.00 pm**. It has been some years since parishioners have had some input on safeguarding, and I would ask you to make this meeting a priority as part of our commitment to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults. The meeting will be led by members of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Department. *Fr Dave*

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

MEMORIAL MASS FOR FR CANNING

A good number of parishioners weren't able to get to Fr Canning's Funeral Mass last Tuesday, so we will have a Memorial Mass for Fr Canning at St Oswald's on Thursday 25 May at 7.00 pm.

PRAYING WITH PEOPLE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA

A workshop to encourage those caring for or visiting people living with dementia: Tuesday 16 May at 7.30 pm with Fr Chris Thomas at St Patrick's Parish Centre, Marshside Road, Churchtown, Southport PR9 9TJ. For further information or to book a place, please contact: m.knight@rcaol.co.uk or phone 0151 522 1040/526 8033.

ST OSWALD'S PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of St Oswald's Parish Council will be on Wednesday 10 May at 7.00 pm in St Oswald's Parish Centre.

VINTAGE AFTERNOON TEA (Fundraiser)

All proceeds will go to the Lourdes Youth Fund 2017.

On Saturday 13 May at 2.00 pm in the Parish Centre Lounge at St Oswald's, there is to be a Vintage Afternoon Tea. Tickets are £7.50 pp (with Prosecco), £5.00 pp (without Prosecco) and £3.00 for children. There will be a selection of sandwiches and cakes, scones with jam and cream etc. Tickets are available before and after the weekend Masses. Reserved tables on request. **Ticket entry only due to restricted seats. For further information contact Jayne Woodward on 01925 815561.**

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who supported the Palm Sunday Coffee Morning & Easter Hamper Raffle. It raised £227.50 towards Lourdes Youth 2017. The winners were as below:

1st prize: E Cann 2nd prize: J Muir
3rd prize: T Kerrigan 4th prize: D Hughes

"I WILL NOT DESERT YOU"

Fr Chris Thomas will be exploring the Book of Joshua and its relevance to us today: Friday 19th - Sunday 21 May. If you live outside the Liverpool area, we have residential places or you can just come daily if living close by. If you have never been to the Irenaeus Project, we are in a great location, right near the coast. If you look at our website www.irenaeus.co.uk you will see more about us. You will find a booking form on the website or email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or phone 0151 949 1199.

SONGS WE REMEMBER

Are you living with dementia or caring for someone who is? Do you like singing? Would you like to meet new friends? Come and join our sing-a-long. All are welcome! St Thomas of Canterbury Parish Hall, Great Georges Road, Waterloo, L22 1RD. Fortnightly (from 25 January 2017) 11.00 am – 12.30 pm, followed by a free soup and roll. Further information available from Jenny at The Irenaeus Project: jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or 0151 949 1199.

GREEN PLANTS

Many thanks to those who loaned green plants for the Altar of Repose on Maundy Thursday. If you haven't already, please collect your plant from the Lady Chapel.

PETITIONS FOR LOURDES

Some parishioners will be making a pilgrimage to Lourdes during May. If you would like them to take any petitions to place in the Grotto, please write down your intentions on a piece of paper and place them in an envelope labelled 'Lourdes Petitions'. You can then either give your envelope to Fr Dave or leave it on the table at the back of St Oswald's by 15 May. **Please do not put any money in with your petitions.**

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE CATHEDRAL



This year, Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King is fifty years old. The Cathedral was consecrated on Pentecost Sunday – 14 May 1967. The Golden Jubilee will be marked by various events which will continue until the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday 26 November.

Canon Tony O'Brien, Dean of the Cathedral, said: "This will be a very special year in the life of our Cathedral as we mark this golden milestone of our history in a building that means so much to so many people. Although relatively young in Cathedral terms, we have so many wonderful memories to give thanks for and so many opportunities to look forward to. I hope as many people as possible will join us for many of the wonderful events that we have planned this year and help us make this a truly celebratory 50th anniversary."

The intervening decades have witnessed many significant events, not least the visit of Pope John Paul II in May 1982, and the installations of three Archbishops – Archbishop Derek Worlock in 1976, Archbishop Patrick Kelly in 1996 and Archbishop Malcolm McMahon in 2014. There was a visit from Queen Elizabeth II in 1977. In 2003 the new Visitor Centre and Cathedral steps were opened. In 2009 over 17,000 people came to visit the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux at the Cathedral.

On Saturday 13 May there will be a performance of 'The Liverpool Mass' by French composer and electronic-music pioneer, Pierre Henry. Henry was commissioned to compose the music for the Cathedral's inaugural Mass in 1967, but it was not completed and another work took its place. In a collaboration with the Bluecoat – the Liverpool arts hub – the piece, structured as a traditional Catholic Mass, will be staged in full at the Cathedral.

The Feast of Pentecost will include a Golden Jubilee Dinner, which will take place in the Lutyens Crypt on Saturday 3 June, with a limited number of tickets available to the general public, followed on Sunday 4 June by a Mass of Thanksgiving at 11.00 am. Open to all, this will be attended by the Crosby-born Cardinal Vincent Nichols and celebrated by Archbishop McMahon. A free event titled 'Cathedral Life: A Floral Tribute' will run right across the weekend (from 2–5 June) and will see the Cathedral transformed by florists into an oasis of colour and calm.

A summary of all the events scheduled for the Golden Jubilee can be found on the Cathedral website: www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/event-calendar There are also posters at the back of church.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

3rd Sunday of Easter (A)

Weekdays – 3rd Week of Easter

Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

Monday	Gen 1: 26–2:3 Mt 13: 54-58
Tuesday	Acts 7: 51–8:1a Jn 6: 30-35
Wednesday	1 Cor 15: 1-8 Jn 14: 6-14
Thursday	Acts 7: 55-60 Mt 10: 17-20
Friday	Acts 9: 1-20 Jn 6: 52-59
Saturday	Acts 9: 31-42 Jn 6: 60-69
Sunday	Acts 2: 36-41 1 Pt 2: 20b-25 Jn 10:1-10

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Those who are to be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's Archie Clements
St Oswald's Luca Christopher Gabica & Thomas Daniel O'Connor

Those who will be married this weekend:

St Benedict's Lauren Marie Stamp & Kylie Stephen Longmore

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, Thomas Ireland Peppina Vella, Mary Wright, Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9), Luciano Bartolo

St Mary's

St Oswald's Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah Boardman, James Keenan

Other Parishes Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 9), Jo Busby, Fr Bernard Higham, Deacon Terence Alcock

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For the children preparing to celebrate their First Communion with us over the next few weeks, and for their parents and families.
- † For the Governors who serve St Benedict's Catholic Primary School and St Oswald's Catholic Primary School.
- † For Warrington YMCA which serves so many people who are disadvantaged in our community.
- † For too many animals who suffer abandonment or abuse.
- † That we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction (*Pope Francis*).

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

Winner

23 April

No 84 Joan Traynor

POPE FRANCIS' TWEET

Please pray for my journey tomorrow as a pilgrim of peace to Egypt.

27 April

“Jesus became what we are that he might make us what he is.”

“Christians, instead of arming themselves with swords, extend their hands in prayer.”

St Athanasius (Memorial - 2 May)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please ensure the Parish Office receives items for the Newsletter by Wednesday at the latest.

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
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 23 April

ST BENEDICT'S	16 April £557.19 (£266.05 Gift Aid), Holy Places £113.70 23 April £350.00 (£181.15 Gift Aid), CAFOD £20.00
ST MARY'S	£1005.34 (£369.10 Gift Aid & £303.38 Week day)
ST OSWALD'S	16 April £962.20 (£427.54 Gift Aid), Holy Places £379.16 23 April £510.45 (£278.01 Gift Aid), Lenten Alms £35.00

**SECOND COLLECTION
NEXT WEEK
PRIEST TRAINING FUND
Gift Aid Envelopes available**