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



Newsletter Sunday 16 July 2017 Fifteenth 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 16 - 23 July 2017				
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB		
Sunday 16 July 15 th Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)	10.30 am Mass Marion Naughton	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass The Parishioners 8.30 am Mass Pope Francis 3.30 pm Polish Mass		
Monday 17 July		7.30 pm Adoration & Healing Hour with Benediction		
Tuesday 18 July	12.15 pm Mass <i>Ron Monks</i>	9.15 am School Leaver's Mass Dorothy & Bernard Brown		
Wednesday 19 July	9.30 am Mass Robert Barker			
Thursday 20 July		8.00 am Lourdes Departure Mass Lourdes Pilgrims 7.30 pm Novena		
Friday 21 July	12.15 pm Mass Margaret & Harold, Aida & Alex Worsley 6.45 pm Meditation	10.30 am Funeral Mass <i>Alban Benedict Stirrup</i>		
Saturday 22 July Feast of St Mary Magdalene		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass Anne Williams		
Sunday 23 July 16 th Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)	10.30 am Baptism Mass Alma Finn	8.30 am Mass The Parishioners 3.30 pm Polish Mass		

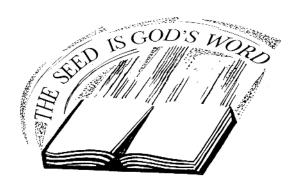
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

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

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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	Confessions	Adoration & Benediction	Holy Rosary	
Sunday	Everyday	Saturday	Sunday	
11.00 am & 6.00 pm	30 minutes before Mass	10.00 – 12.00 noon	5.30 pm	
Monday to Saturday	Saturday		Monday to Saturday	
12.10 pm	10.00 – 11.45 am		11.30 am	

THIS WEEK

DISABILITY AWARENESS DAY

Sunday 16 July 2017

Disability Awareness Day ("DAD") is the world's largest 'not for profit' voluntary-led disability exhibition, held annually in a huge tented village within the grounds of Walton Hall Gardens in Warrington. Visitors to the show will find over 250 exhibitors, equipment suppliers, transport, holidays, leisure, employment, support groups and services. PLUS a Sports Zone including Scuba diving, an Arts Marquee and family entertainment. The show opens at 10.00 am and finishes at 5.00 pm, and entry is FREE with a FREE programme. For more information, see flyers at the back of church or www.disabilityawarenessday.org.uk

ADORATION & HEALING HOUR WITH BENEDICTION

St Oswald's Church, Monday 17 July, 7.30 - 8.30 pm

Adoration led by Deacon Tony Kerrigan. Healing Ministry led by the Prayer Group and Rev. Canon Eric Fisher, Anglican Priest.

LUNCH CLUB The Lunch Club takes place this Tuesday, from 12 – 2.30 pm in the Parish Centre for parishioners aged 50+ and friends - with lunch, music, a game of bingo, live entertainment and great company. Price £3.00. Tickets for September's Lunch will be available to purchase this Tuesday from Mary Monks. (*Please note that the Lunch Club takes a break in August, however, there will be another event in it's place. See 'Afternoon Tea' under Forthcoming Events*).

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

This coming Friday, 21 July, pilgrims from across the Archdiocese will leave for the annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in the south of France.

- a) The young pilgrims from Warrington will depart a day earlier and will meet for Mass at St Oswald's on Thursday 20 July at **8.00 am**. You are most welcome to join them for this celebration prior to their journey.
- b) If you would like to join the pilgrims in prayer during the pilgrimage, there are copies of a Novena at the back of church which includes a prayer for each day of the pilgrimage.

c) Next weekend, we will join the pilgrimage in prayer by offering the Sunday Masses in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes

ART EXHIBITION

An exhibition of art inspired by the Syrian conflict is opening later this month in North West England, touring the region and moving to Scotland in late July. Artworks include 'The Destruction of Homs', a series of paintings by artist Farid Georges, chronicling the decimation of his beloved city. Alongside the artworks, the exhibition will include photographs from Aid to the Church in Need's extensive archives, revealing the faces and places devastated by the Syrian conflict. Exhibition dates: Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral - Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 July. Entrance is free and all are welcome.

FURNITURE APPEAL FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

If you know of anyone who has a freezer, microwave or wardrobe to donate, please contact the parish office. *Thank you.*

FOODBANK SHORTAGES

Warrington Foodbank are short of the following items: Tinned fruit, Tea Bags, Dried Pasta, UHT Milk, Breakfast Cereals. They have PLENTY of: Beans / Sugar. *Thank you*

GOING ON HOLIDAY?

If you are going away and would like to know the Sunday Mass times at the nearest Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office (630127).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

ST BENEDICT'S QUIZ NIGHT

Wednesday 26 July, 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre, Rhodes Street. Come enjoy an evening of family fun, light hearted quiz and a game of bingo. All funds go to the Bell & Font Restoration Fund. Entry to the Quiz £4.00 each.

STRAWBERRY FAIR AT ST BENEDICT'S

Sunday 6 August in the Priory garden.

Tickets £2.50 (includes strawberries and cream/gateau or scone and tea/coffee). There will

be a raffle, fresh fruit & veg stall with a produce from local farms, stalls for the kids too and more. Tickets available from Angela after Mass or Celia in the Parish Office during the week. AFTERNOON TEA

An Afternoon Tea will be held in aid of the 'The Children of Come over to me, all you who are restless, Kenya' at St Benedict's Parish Centre on Tuesday 15 August, 2.00 - 4.00 pm. Tickets £3.00 & £1.00 children.

Parents & Grandparents: There'll be a children's bring & buy stall and tombola, as well as cakes and other refreshments, so do bring the children along. Tickets will be available soon from Brenda Grindley or Mary Monks.

LIVING FULLY

...enabling every child and adult with a disability to encounter Jesus in the life of the Church today. A day of study, worship and workshops exploring how all life is a gift from God and how every person has a valuable and dignified place within the Body of Christ. Saturday 23 September, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm, at LACE with Cristina Gangemi (Disability Advisor to the Bishops' Conference). Cost £10 including lunch. RSVP to formation@rcaol.co.uk or 0151 522 1040.

REFLECTIONS

FAITHFULNESS TO OUR CALLING

All our life long Christ calls us. He first called us on the day of our baptism; but later on as well; whether we obey his voice or not, he calls us again and again in his merciful love. If we are not faithful to the promises of our baptism, he calls us to repent; if we try hard to achieve our vocation, he calls us further ahead from grace to grace, from holiness to holiness, as long as we are alive. A braham was called to leave his house and country, Peter his nets, Matthew his job, Elisha his farm, Nathanael his refuge; all of us are called continuously, from one thing to another, always, without any rest, but going to our eternal rest, and obeying one command to be ready to listen to another one. It would be good for us to understand this; but we are slow to understand that basic truth; that Christ is in a sense walking in the midst of us and with his hand, his eyes, his voice, he commands us to follow him. Blessed John Henry Newman

HIDDEN TREASURE

The prayer of silence and stillness is widely promoted as a cure for modern life's frenzy. And it may be that this is what first draws us to it. But as we grow to love this form of prayer, it is not for its side effects that we persevere. After a time we come to this prayer with only one desire - to come into the presence of the living God. We seek our still centre not to find inner peace for its own sake, but to find God.

We let go of ideas about what we are supposed to achieve. We rest in the Lord, stay quiet, so that we can be in his presence without seeking anything. We lay down our burdens, our problems. We let go, and let God carry us. At first this does not seem anything like prayer. Yet we are prepared to go along with it. We find after a time that we no longer seek God's gifts, his graces, no longer ask for anything, or expect anything. We leave self behind.

Our relationship with God changes, from wanting things from him to simply being with him, with no other motive.

> Benignus O'Rourke in 'Finding Your Hidden Treasure' (Darton, Longman & Todd, 2010)

and I will teach you how to be quiet, how to leave yourself alone.

COME TO ME

Come over to me, all you who are anxious, even if I don't take your anxiety away, I will change it into fresh currency, as you turn your cares into greater belief in my caring.

Come over to me, all you who are lonely. I was lonely too, and could find no place to lay my head.

Come over to me, all you who worry what others really think about you. It doesn't matter. They misunderstood me, no matter what I did.

Come over to me, all you who are always talking and pleading and explaining yourselves to others. I know you inside out. I know the worst. So you can come to me without any explanations.

Come over to me,

all you whose great plans for yourself have failed. You don't know how lucky you are. And others too.

Come over to me, all you who can't stand yourselves. I touched lepers, and once I called a man out of a tomb who had been stinking there for four days. So come over to me -I can stand just about anything.

Come over to me, all you who can't stand other people. I know what is behind their misery. I know the worst in them as I know it in you. And I embrace you both.

Come over to me, all you who fret about the past. I was there, I was part of your past, and I have forgotten all about it. So be like me and forget it too.

Come over to me,

all you who can't live peacefully in the present. Come to me now, without reserve. That is the way to live peacefully in the present.

Come over to me, all you who fear the future.

Do not fear. I am your future.

Fr Thomas Dominic Rover, O.P.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

15th Sunday of the Year (A) Weekdays - Year 1, Week 15 Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

Monday Ex 1: 8-14, 22

Mt 10: 34-11:1

Tuesday Ex 2: 1-15a

Mt 11: 20-24

Wednesday Ex 3: 1-6, 9-12

Mt 11: 25-27

Thursday Ex 3: 13-20

Mt 11: 28-30

Friday Ex 11: 10–12:14

Mt 12:1-8

Saturday Cant 3: 1-4

Jn 20: 1-2, 11-18

Sunday Wis 12: 13, 16-19

Rom 8: 26-27

Mt 13: 24-43 (or 13: 24-30)

ST BENEDICT'S
200 CLUB
9 July Winner:
No 99 Martin Davis

POPE FRANCIS' TWEET

"Migrants are our brothers and sisters in search of a better life, far away from poverty, hunger, and war."

8 July

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's Rossalie Jakimow-Rogers & Samuel Franica-Shaw

St Oswald's Mia Cripps

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, Vera Brindle, Thomas Ireland, Michael Mullin, Matilde Valentine,

St Mary's Mary Wright, Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9), Luciano Bartolo,

Dorothy Parry

St Oswald's Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne,

Sarah Boardman , Sophie Jones, Henry Harrison, Sam Johnstone

Other Parishes Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 9), Jo Busby

Fr Tom Kennedy, Fr Ron McGivern, Fr Michael Gaine, Fr Pat Harnett

Those who have died recently, especially:

St Oswald's Alban Stirrup

This Week's Prayer Intentions

† That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith may, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life (*Pope Francis*).

† For those in our community and parish, among our family and friends, who suffer from dementia. In their confusion and forgetfulness, may they always have the comfort of their faith in the Lord who holds their hand.

† For the pilgrims from all over the Archdiocese who will be travelling to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes this week.

† For Pope Francis, who despite opposing voices within the Church, is trying to lead us in the way of the Gospel.

† For those who are nearing the end of their life on earth, for their families and friends keeping vigil at their bedside, and for doctors, nurses and carers who minister to them all.

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 - URGENT

Donations of anything alcoholic, chocolates, unwanted gifts etc. needed Tombola prizes & other fundraising activities

Please & Thank you!

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

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

Tuesday 12 noon - 2.30 pm Lunch Club

Wednesday 7.00 pm Drama Group - Rainbow Room

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 9 July

ST BENEDICT'S £420.09 (£209.46 Gift Aid), £109.56 Apostleship of the Sea, £18.41 Poor Box (Coffees), £73.41 Bell/Font

Fund (Inc. £63 from Soup Lunch & £10.41 from the donations tin)

ST MARY'S £905.00 (£281.20 Gift Aid + £276.45 Week day)

ST OSWALD'S £457.75 (£206.20 Gift Aid), £185.55 Apostleship of the Sea