

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

Newsletter

Sunday 13 August 2017

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (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 13 - 20 August 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 13 August <i>19th Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Marion & Patrick Naughton</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Barbara Monks</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 14 August <i>St Maximillian Kolbe</i>	10.45 am Funeral Service <i>Terence Oswald Mannion</i>	No Prayer Group <i>(Resumes on 4 September)</i>
Tuesday 15 August <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>Michael Hawley</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Bill Moss</i> 7.00 pm Mass <i>The Parishioners</i>
Wednesday 16 August	No Mass today <i>(Funeral Mass in Boothstown)</i>	
Thursday 17 August		9.30 am Mass <i>Teresa Moss</i> 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 18 August	12.15 pm Mass <i>Stewart Morrison</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 19 August		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Holt Family</i>
Sunday 20 August <i>20th Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Thanksgiving</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners, Deacon James Foley</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



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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
<i>Sunday</i> 11.00 am & 6.00 pm	<i>Everyday</i> 30 minutes before Mass	<i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 12.00 noon	<i>Sunday</i> 5.30 pm
<i>Monday to Saturday</i> 12.10 pm	<i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 11.45 am		<i>Monday to Saturday</i> 11.30 am

Welcome

A warm welcome to visitors, those who have come home for the summer, and guests of parishioners. This week, a greeting in Polish: "Drodzy przyjaciele, powitanie i mamy nadzieję, że cieszyć się wakacjami tutaj z nami."

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Tuesday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary and is a holyday of obligation. Masses:

9.30 am Morning Mass at St Oswald's

12.15 pm Lunchtime Mass at St Benedict's

7.00 pm Evening Mass at St Oswald's

Masses at St Mary's Shrine: 7.00 am, 12.10 pm (Sung) & 7.00 pm

AFTERNOON TEA

An Afternoon Tea will be held in aid of the 'The Children of 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 are available from Brenda Grindley, Mary Monks or pay on the door.

COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

Clare Lancaster (St Oswald's) began the Channel Swim Challenge last week to help raise funds towards our £9000 target. The challenge involves swimming the equivalent of the English Channel (22 miles) or 1416 lengths in Woolston Pool. If you would like to sponsor Clare, there are some sponsorship forms at the back of church.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PILGRIMAGE IN HONOUR OF ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass in honour of St Edmund Arrowsmith will take place at the Church of St Oswald & St Edmund Arrowsmith, Ashton-in-Makerfield, on Sunday 27 August at 4.00 pm. After Mass, there will be the opportunity to venerate the Holy Hand of St Edmund Arrowsmith.

TRAINING COURSE FOR PRAYER GUIDES

Training programme for persons with some listening skills as prayer guides at the Cenacle Retreat House, Liverpool.

Dates: Sept 7, 21, Oct 5, 19, Nov 2, 16, 30, Dec 14. **Time:** 10.00 am - 4.00 pm with lunch & coffee breaks. **Cost:** £100. **Please contact:** Sr W. Morley, Cenavle, Tithebarn Grove, Lance Lane, L15 6TW or Tel 0151 722 2271.

"THE BUNDLE"

A performance by Journeymen Theatre commissioned by the Quaker Asylum Seeker and Refugee Network. "The Bundle" tells the story of one woman's bid for freedom, safety and hope. Based closely on the story of a real woman and her three children, "The Bundle" follows Adilah's domestic persecution and denial of human rights in Chechnya. Removed from her Russian homeland by her Chechen father, abducted into a forced marriage and then subjected to a life of servitude, she takes the ultimate risk in plotting her escape to the UK. Here she finds a home but also encounters the Home Office's 'hostile environment' with regard to asylum seekers and refugees. **Date:** Friday 15 September at 7.30 pm. **Venue:** Friends Meeting House, 1b Academy Place, Warrington WA1 2NR. **Cost:** Donations welcome on the night. **Age:** 16+

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 on 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.

*I can do ALL THINGS
through Christ
who STRENGTHENS me.*
—Philippians 4:13

WARRINGTON FOODBANK HELP NEEDED

Can you spare just over 2 hours?

Five volunteers for each time slot are needed for the next Supermarket Collection due to consistent high demand for emergency 3 day food parcels in Warrington. **Venue:** Tesco Extra, Winwick Road. **Times:** 8.45-11.00 am, 11-1.15 pm, 1.15 - 3.30 pm and 3.30-5.15 pm. More information is available from David at family@broster57.plus.com

PARENT AND CHILD

From "Last Thing At Night" by Fr Hugh Lavery

You may have heard of the little child who was kneeling at its prayers and at the end added a prayer of its own. It was this - O God, make the bad people good and the good people nice.

It is a very revealing prayer. The child knows who are the supposedly good people. But it finds them unattractive. Now why should 'officially' good people, church-goers perhaps, be unattractive, even unpleasant? Christ said there was only one acid test of real goodness, the end-product. By their fruits you shall know them. There is no other test than this - the end-product, kindness, tolerance, a controlled tongue, evenness of temper.

Bad temper is the virus that poisons many a home. A priest in his visiting sees many a family living lives of quiet desperation because of one bad tempered parent. I say parent, because tonight I am thinking of the children, most of them in bed now, some of them possibly anxious and fretful because of a blaze of temper, a row, or a domestic uproar one can only describe as fearful.

Fear is the source of bad temper, some turmoil deep in the heart of father or mother. The child can sense this. And the child differs from us in being helpless, insecure. It seeks that security from father and mother. They stand for stability, for confidence for those strong qualities we call 'adult'. They insure the child against fear. They are the child's foundation, its footing.

A display of bad temper suddenly shatters this firm footing. The child realises that father — or mother — is afraid, is insecure. And this great big world is a fearful place. It is no longer a cosy, snug world, not a place of love and kindness any more. The beginnings of fear are already in the child. And fear drives out love. There is never any peaceful co-existence of the two. Fear will always drive out love. Fear also drives out God.

I wonder how you imagine God. As kind or as frightening? The answer is simple. You imagine God in the same way as you saw your parents as a child. The child takes its picture of God from father and mother. If they are loving then God is love. If they are uneven, unpredictable, bad tempered, then God is likewise, a figure of fear, unapproachable and, in consequence, unapproached.

Parents carry a great responsibility - the life-long happiness of their children is theirs. Their goodness, their godliness, their life is in your hands. Good temper builds. Bad temper destroys. The parent is the image of God for every child.

Can we alter the child's prayer just a little and say - O God make the bad people good, and the good people good-tempered. For that's what the frightened child means by 'nice'. Just that. But it means such a lot.

REFLECTIONS

I have a dogmatic certainty: God is in every person's life. God is in everyone's life. Even if the life of a person has been a disaster, even if it is destroyed by vices, drugs or anything else – God is in this person's life. You can – you must – try to seek God in every human life.

Pope Francis

The movement in our relationship to God is always from God to us. Always. We cannot through our piety or goodness move closer to God. God is always coming nearer to us most especially in the Eucharist and in the stranger.

Nadia Bolz-Weber

Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu

A PRAYER BY DIETRICH BONHOEFFER

Lord, you mark when I walk or lie down;
all my ways lie open to you.

When I cease activity,
calm my mind.

When I am by myself,
be my companion and friend.

When I am weary and heavily laden,
may your Spirit renew me.

When I lie down, may it be in peace
for sleep to heal and refresh me,

for you alone, Lord,
make me dwell in safety.

Watch my sleeping,
guard my waking,
be always near.



PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

A fully escorted 5 night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 15th October 2017. £699.00 p.p sharing. Price includes flight with 15 kg checked in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights in Knock House Hotel with full Irish breakfast and 4 course dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. There will also be visits to Ballintubber Abbey, Westport and Foxford Woollen Mills.

Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £60. Groups and individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557. Email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS

19th Sunday of the Year (A)
Weekdays - Year 1, Week 19
Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

Monday	Deut 10: 12-22 Mt 17: 22-27
Tuesday	Rev 11:19a,12:1-6a,10ab 1 Cor 15: 20-27a Lk 1: 39-56
Wednesday	Deut 34: 1-12 Mt 18: 15-20
Thursday	Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17 Mt 18: 21-19:1
Friday	Jos 24: 1-13 Mt 9: 3-12
Saturday	Jos 24: 14-29 Mt 19: 13-15
Sunday	Is 56: 1, 6-7 Rom 11: 13-15, 29-32 Mt 15: 21-28

**ST BENEDICT'S
200 CLUB
6 August Winner:
217 Kath Bradshaw**

POPE FRANCIS' TWEET

“Other people are gifts to be received with respect, especially if they are weak and frail, because Christ comes to meet us in them.”

5 August

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's Alexa Myers & Tilly Butler

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 Brown, Ann Wilson, Bill Hampson, Marney Hampson, Peter Milner, James Malone, Vera Brindle, Thomas Ireland, Michael Mullin, Matilde Valentine, Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9), Luciano Bartolo, Dorothy Parry
St Mary's
St Oswald's Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah Boardman, Sophie Jones, Sam Johnstone, John Gorman
Other Parishes Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 9), Jo Busby Grace Fernandapolle (aged 15)

Those who have died recently:

St Benedict's Terence Mannion

This Week's Prayer Intentions

† For the gift of prayer, especially when we've got out of the habit or have become disheartened and tempted to give up.

† For the young people who will be receiving their A-Level examination results on Thursday.

† For artists of our time – through their ingenuity, may they help everyone discover the beauty of creation (*Pope Francis*).

† For all who are sick – may they be embraced with compassion in the gentle arms of the Good Shepherd.

† For those who have asked us to pray for 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 - 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	7.45 pm	Bingo
Tuesday	2 - 4.00 pm	Afternoon Tea - Fundraiser
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 6 August

ST BENEDICT'S	30 July £346.65 (£165.46 Gift Aid), £21 Poor Box-Coffees. 6 Aug £353.45 (£209.76 Gift Aid), £193.30 Bell/Font Fund from Quiz & Soup Lunch, £247.02 Strawberry Fair, £46.25 Piety Shop.
ST MARY'S	30 July £1029.91 (£291.11 Gift Aid + £287.22 Weekday Collections). 6 Aug To be confirmed
ST OSWALD'S	6 Aug £454.27 (£220.00 Gift Aid)