

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

Newsletter

Sunday 20 August 2017

Twentieth 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 20 - 27 August 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 20 August <i>20th Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Thanksgiving</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Holt Family</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners, Deacon James Foley</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 21 August <i>St Pius X</i>		No Prayer Group <i>(Resumes on 4 September)</i>
Tuesday 22 August <i>The Queenship of Mary</i>	12.15 pm Mass <i>A Successful recovery</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Nadine Davies</i>
Wednesday 23 August	9.30 am Mass <i>Joe & Annis Ward</i>	
Thursday 24 August <i>Feast of St Bartholomew</i>		9.30 am Mass <i>Brian White</i> 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 25 August	12.15 pm Mass <i>Joan Yates (RIP)</i> 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 26 August <i>Blessed Dominic Barberi CP</i>		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Gary Newlove</i>
Sunday 27 August <i>21st Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners,</i> <i>Sally O'Connor</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Intention</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	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 Spanish: **“Una cálida bienvenida a nuestros visitantes españoles. Esperamos que tengas unas buenas vacaciones.”**

CHILDREN OF KENYA - THANKYOU

Sr Brenda would like to thank all those who supported the Afternoon Tea which took place last Tuesday, at St Benedict's Parish Centre, in aid of the Children of Kenya. £850.00 was raised.

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, next 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.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Pope Francis recently declared September 1 as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, as the Orthodox Church has done since 1989. According to Pope Francis, “The annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation offers to individual believers and to the community a precious opportunity to renew our personal participation in this vocation as custodians of creation, raising to God our thanks for the marvellous works that he has entrusted to our care, invoking his help for the protection of creation and his mercy for the sins committed against the world in which we live.”

CREATION TIME (1 September – 4 October)

CAFOD and the Liverpool Archdiocese Justice and Peace Commission have provided a resource to reflect on the Gospel readings for Creation Time in the light of Pope Francis' encyclical letter *Laudato Si'*. Pope Francis urges us to review how we live in the face of the damage being done to our planet, now and in the future, through climate change. He reminds us that the consequences of climate change will affect us all, but will be worst for those in the poorer parts of the world, who have done the least to cause the problem and benefited least from the changes which have caused it. It is hoped that the resource will help us to be “a little less ill-informed” and to use that knowledge to work, as Pope Francis urges us to, in combating climate change, its causes and its consequences. *More information next week.*

WARRINGTON FOODBANK HELP NEEDED

Can you spare 2 hours on Saturday 2 September?

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

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

You are invited to bring your pet (or a photo of your pet) to **A Service of Blessing and Prayer for Animals** at St Benedict's on Sunday 17 September at 2.00 pm. If your pet has died, please feel free to bring their name on a card or a photo so that we can display them and remember them. The service will be followed by refreshments. PLEASE ensure your pet is safe (i.e. in a carrier or on a lead). All are welcome.

MASS OF ANOINTING

There will be a Mass of Anointing of the Sick for parishioners of St Benedict's, St Mary's and St Oswald's on Sunday 24 September at 2.00 pm in St Benedict's Church, followed by refreshments in St Benedict's Parish Centre.

NIGHTSTOP

Nightstop Communities Northwest (CIC) is a unique non-for-profit company that provides emergency accommodation for vulnerable, single homeless young people, aged 16 to 25. We also provide a full mental health support service for the young people in our service including pre-tenancy

training, maintaining tenancy programme, employability and offer counselling, anger management and mediation.

We are looking for dedicated, compassionate volunteers who have a spare bedroom in their home to become Volunteer Hosts for single vulnerable young people in the community for our Nightstop emergency accommodation service. All our young people are fully risk assessed and police checked before being placed.

The hosts in our Nightstop service provide a bed for the night for young people who may need it, in a moment of crisis. Providing a safety net to those forced to flee/leave their home, NCNW places young people in a safe and warm home for the night, provided by a vetted and approved volunteer. It prevents young people from sleeping rough, "sofa surfing", or staying in unsuitable accommodation where they would be at risk of abuse. The use of spare rooms in a positive environment makes a huge difference to young people in crisis.

If you would be interested in becoming a volunteer host, please contact the Emergency Accommodation Team on 0151 345 6454.

THE DOORS ARE ALWAYS OPEN



"We all need to ask ourselves if those who encounter us perceive the warmth of faith in our lives, if they see in our faces the joy of having encountered Christ!

...The new evangelization is a renewed movement toward those who have lost the faith and a sense of the deep meaning

of life. This dynamism is part of Christ's great mission to bring life to the world, to bring the Father's love to humankind. The Son of God "went forth" from his divine condition and came to meet us. The Church abides within this movement; every Christian is called to go out to meet others, to dialogue with those who do not think as we do, with those who have another faith or who have no faith. To encounter all, because what we all share in common is that we were created in the image and likeness of God. We can go out to everyone without fear and without renouncing our membership in the Church.

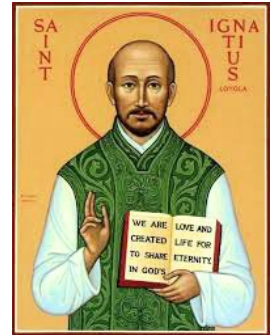
No one is excluded from life's hope, from God's love. The Church is sent to reawaken this hope everywhere, especially where it has been suffocated by difficult and oftentimes inhuman living conditions; where hope cannot breathe, it suffocates. We need the fresh air of the Gospel, the breath of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, to rekindle it in people's hearts. The Church is the home where the doors are always open, not only because everyone finds a welcome and is able to breathe in love and hope, but also because we can go out

bearing this love and this hope. The Holy Spirit urges us to go beyond our own narrow confines, and he guides us to the outskirts of humanity."

(From 'Walking with Jesus' by Pope Francis)

PEOPLE FOR OTHERS

St. Ignatius Loyola understood that, even when we strive to do glorious deeds, often the motivation is selfish. Or at least it's self-focused. In his early years, he trained to be a soldier and a knight. He wanted to sacrifice himself for country and for some beautiful lady he could defend and honour. But years later, as he meditated, prayed, and discovered God, who created and loved him, Ignatius dismantled old ways of thinking. Rather than becoming proud and worried about making a good show, a person must develop humility. Rather than focusing on himself and his dreams of glory, he must follow Jesus' example and move outward, looking at what other people needed and dreamed for.



Being "people for others" means that we are willing to shift focus and actually notice others and care about them. What does that look like on a typical day? Here are just a few ideas:

- 1) When I'm around someone who is behaving badly, rather than think of how their behaviour irritates or upsets me, I wonder what might be triggering that person to act like this. A child in the hospital? Job loss? Relationship problems? A string of faulty decisions?
- 2) While working with other people on a project, I resist worrying about how my input is received or how much I am noticed and concentrate on helping each person on the team do his or her best.
- 3) I pray as much—probably more—for others than for myself.
- 4) Rather than turn away and distract myself from others' suffering, I make some move to help.
- 5) My decisions about time, money, and other resources always factor in how generous I can be, and I come up with concrete plans for sharing.

Being a person for others will always be a challenge, because we are conditioned from an early age to focus on "me and mine." We might be encouraged to see the world as a dangerous place, to see many people as too different and therefore "other", and to believe that there is never enough of anything to go around. Jesus requires that we resist this way of being in the world. He asks that, rather than growing fearful, we make an effort to be open. Rather than grasping and hoarding, we are to be grateful and generous. Jesus asks that, rather than operating in a judgmental and self-protective way, we extend to others God's love and make room at the table for those we might call strangers.

(Vinita Hampton Wright, *Ignation Spirituality*, Loyola Press)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

20th Sunday of the Year (A)
Weekdays - Year 1, Week 20
Divine Office – Psalter Week 4

Monday	Judges 2: 11-19 Mt 19: 16-22
Tuesday	Is 9: 1-6 Lk 1: 26-38
Wednesday	Judges 9: 6-15 Mt 20: 1-16a
Thursday	Apoc 21:9b-14 Jn 1: 45-51
Friday	Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16,22 Mt 22: 34-40
Saturday	Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17 Mt 23: 1-12
Sunday	Is 22: 19-23 Rom 11: 33-36 Mt 16: 13-20

ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

**13 August Winner:
To be Confirmed**

POPE FRANCIS' TWEET

“Hope is the virtue of a heart that doesn't lock itself into darkness, that doesn't dwell on the past, but is able to see a tomorrow.”

6 August

ST BENEDICT'S MUSIC & DRAMA GROUP

Presents

COWBOYS & COCKNEYS

Weds 6 & Thurs 7 September

7 pm for 7.30 pm start

Tickets £3.50 from Miriam Lawton

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
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Drama Group - Rainbow Room
Thursday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing

Contact Steve on Tel. 633920 after 7pm for bookings

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who will be baptised this weekend:

St Benedict's	Oliver Lawton
St Oswald's	Isabel Kerr



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, Bill Hampson, Marney Hampson, Peter Milner, James Malone, Vera Brindle, Thomas Ireland, Michael Mullin, Matilde Valentine,
St Mary's	Harrison Cruikshank (aged 9), Luciano Bartolo, Dorothy Parry
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), Fr Ron McGivern

Those who have died recently:

St Benedict's	James Lamb, Ann Wilson
Archdiocese	Fr Gerald Hurst

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For the thousands who are missing after the mudslides in Sierra Leone.
- † That love will overcome the evil of racism, white supremacy and neo-nazism.
- † That we may never forget that all are welcome in God's house.
- † For the young people who will be receiving their GCSE examination results on Thursday.
- † For those who have asked us to pray for them.
- † For those killed and injured in the terror attacks in Barcelona.

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.

Parish Finance – Thank you so much for your offerings on Sunday 13 August

ST BENEDICT'S £349.91 (£163.68 Gift Aid), £68.64 General Donations, £19.85 Poor Box from Coffees

ST MARY'S 6 Aug £916.81 (£299.70 Gift Aid + £294.43 Week day offertories)
13 Aug £786.78 (£255.00 Gift Aid + £267.23 Week day offertories)

ST OSWALD'S £444.62 (£180.50 Gift Aid)