

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

Newsletter

Sunday 3 September 2017

Twenty-Second 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 3 - 10 September 2017		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 3 September <i>22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Alfred & May Holt</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 4 September		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 5 September	12.15 pm Mass <i>Eileen Lawton</i>	9.30 am Mass <i>Kevin McNamara</i>
Wednesday 6 September	9.30 am Mass <i>Ann Wilson</i> 12 noon Funeral Service <i>Yvonne Josephine Sutcliffe</i>	
Thursday 7 September		9.30 am Mass <i>Geoff Molyneaux</i> 7.30 pm Novena
Friday 8 September <i>Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.15 am School Welcome Mass <i>(At St Benedict's School)</i>	
	12 Noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's	
	6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 9 September		10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Victims of the Floods</i>
Sunday 10 September <i>23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time(A)</i> Education Sunday	10.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Peter & Mary Pittilla</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



"If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me."

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

EDUCATION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is 'Education Sunday' when we pray especially for our Catholic Schools. Did you know... the Catholic Church is the second largest provider of education in England? We have 2230 schools educating 852,321 pupils, we employ 50,353 teachers, we have the most ethnically diverse schools in the country, as well as 4 universities educating 17,000 students! There will be a **Second Collection** after Mass next weekend to support the excellent work of our Catholic schools and the diocesan education services which support them.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

You are invited to bring your pet (or a photo of your pet) to **A Service of Blessing and Prayers for Animals** at St Benedict's on Sunday 17 September at 2.00 pm.



The service will be led by Fr Dave and the Rev Mavis McDonnell (from St Ann's, Orford). If your pet has died, you might like 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.

TEA & TOAST

Carly and Jackie, who were received into the Church at Easter, have kindly offered to make tea and toast after the 8.30 am Mass on the first Sunday of the month at St Oswald's. We'll try this at the back of church today (Sunday). It's a good opportunity to spend a little time with each other and get to know those faces we see each week. Many thanks to Carly and Jackie for offering to do this. *Fr Dave*

SVP MEETING

The SVP Group will be meeting this Tuesday, 5 September, at 7.00 pm in the Parish Centre lounge at St Oswald's.

ST BENEDICT'S MUSIC & DRAMA GROUP PRESENT... "COWBOYS & COCKNEYS"

The Drama Group's next production takes place this Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 September at St Benedict's Parish Centre starting at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £3.50 each and are available from Miriam Lawton after Mass at St Benedict's. (Pay on the door also available).

LADIES GROUP MEETING

There will be a Ladies Group Open Meeting this Thursday, 7 September, (*not 14 September as previously thought*), at 8.15 pm in the Parish Centre lounge at St Oswald's.

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.

BEING A CATECHIST

An Introduction to the Ministry of Catechesis

This training course is for new catechists and those wanting an opportunity to refresh and/or reflect on their ministry. Mondays 18 & 25 September at LACE **or** Mondays 9 & 16 October at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Wroughton, 7.15 – 9.00 pm. See brochures at the back of church. To book a place, please contact the Parish Office (630127).

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.



DIVORCED AND/OR SEPARATED?

The next series of support meetings for the Divorced and Separated start in September. The course is for those who are separated, those who are currently going through a divorce, or those who are already divorced, whether recently or at any time in the past. The small groups are informative, affirming, free & confidential. To book a place on the Aintree course: contact Maureen O'Brien 07967 753 371. To book a place on the South Liverpool course: contact Frances Trotman 0151 727 2195. See noticeboard for further details.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COORDINATOR

The Archdiocese of Liverpool are seeking to recruit a Marriage Preparation Coordinator in the Pastoral Formation Department at LACE. This is a newly created post. To apply, contact Human Resources 0151 522 1073. Closing Date: 12 noon, Thursday 7 September. For more information, see the notice board at the back of church.

SCHOOL REUNION

From 7.30 pm on Wednesday 27 September, past pupils of St Alban's Junior and Senior Schools, King Street, will gather at The Rodney, Winwick Road, to meet up with long lost school friends. Further info. from Frank Hawley 07714 108933 or Angela Horrigan on 07974 679799.

CREATION TIME (1 September – 4 October)

Week 1 – 'Less is more'

There was once an important chieftain who lived in the splendour that great wealth makes possible. He looked around the enormous long house in which he lived and gloried in the rows and rows of highly decorated wooden columns that stretched off into the distance. He gazed at the tapestries that depicted triumphant episodes from his life. As he looked up at the intricately woven thatched roof he felt a rush of pride when he saw the coloured representations of stars that were woven into it. "Surely," he thought, "no other chief has ever lived in such magnificence. No other chieftain has lived the good life in all its glory. I will put on a feast and invite all my friends and even my enemies so that they can see the magnificence in which I live."

The invitations duly went out and everyone was eager to find out the truth of the stories they had heard about the fabulous splendour. On the night of the feast all agreed that the stories were indeed true. There was pomp, ceremony, splendour, music, entertainment and seemingly inexhaustible supplies of good things to eat and drink. An enormous fire blazed, tables groaned under the weight of food, and wine and beer flowed like rivers. A fabulous party was underway and the hall echoed with song and laughter.

After hours and hours of feasting, one of the servants approached the chieftain and whispered to him that the supplies of food were growing low. The chieftain ordered that they went to the stores and brought out whatever was there. By now more than a little drunk, he shouted out "Tomorrow will look after itself." A while later, another servant approached and whispered to the chieftain that wood for the fire would soon be exhausted. "Nothing will stop this party!" exclaimed the chieftain. "Cut down the pillars at the back of the hall and add them to the fire. We will party till the morning comes."

This went on until one of the guest looked up in wonderment at the stars in the ceiling. "They are amazing!" he said to his neighbour. "They look like fire." "They are fire!" screamed the other person and shouted to the servants that the stars in the thatch had started to burn. A cry of alarm went up but by the time anyone could do anything, the back of the hall was burning fiercely and the fire was racing and roaring towards the partygoers...

Laudato Si' #222: We need to take up an ancient lesson, found in different religious traditions and also in the Bible. It is the conviction that "less is more". A constant flood of new consumer goods can baffle the heart and prevent us from cherishing each thing and each moment.

BLANKETS & BABY JUMPERS

The Craft Group ladies have been busy of late both making and joining together all the knitted and crocheted squares that we have happily been inundated with. The blankets are for beds at refugee centres and, as you can see, the finished article is very cosy looking. The other little knitting project that we have been busy with is making little jumpers and hats for the 'chip shop' babies in Kenya - they are so called because the people are so poor that often the babies are wrapped in newspaper to help keep them warm. So far, we have sent a couple of dozen little sets, which have been immediately put to good use. More are being knitted. The Craft Group meet up most Wednesday mornings in St Benedict's Sacristy, 10 am 'til 12 noon. Come and join us if you're free!



JIMMY CRICKET LAUGHTER SHOW

Thursday 12 October , 7.30 pm



At Blessed John Henry Newman
Church, Knutsford Road

An evening of Laughter and entertainment.
Tickets are £10.00 and include light refreshments and are available from Mary Monks (tel. 572864).

PROCEEDS TO ST FRANCIS HOUSE HOSPICE,
MANCHESTER & ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY CENTRE,
WARRINGTON.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

22nd Sunday of the Year (A)
Weekdays - Year 1, Week 22
Divine Office – Psalter Week 2

Monday	1 Thes 4: 13-18 Lk 4: 16-30
Tuesday	1 Thes 5: 1-6, 9-11 Lk 4: 31-37
Wednesday	Col 1: 1-8 Lk 4: 38-44
Thursday	Col 1: 9-14 Lk 5: 1-11
Friday	Micah 5: 1-4a Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23
Saturday	Col 1: 21-23 Lk 6: 1-5
Sunday	Ezek 33: 7-9 Rom 13: 8-10 Mt 18: 15-20

ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB

27 August Winner:
no. 14 Hannah Boyle

POPE FRANCIS' TWEET
“Today how many mothers shed tears, like St Monica, so that their children will return to Christ! Do not lose hope in God’s grace!”
27 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
Tuesday	7.00 pm	SVP Meeting - Lounge
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	7.45 pm	Bingo
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Cowboys & Cockneys Show
Thursday	7.30 pm	Cowboys & Cockneys Show

Contact Steve on Tel. 633920 after 7pm for bookings

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Rite of Welcome

This weekend, we welcome Elsie Moriarty, Darcey Joyce, Anna Boughy, Charlotte Dickinson and Evie Tyler who will be baptised this month.

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 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 10), Jo Busby Grace Fernandapolle, Fr Ron McGivern, Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor

Those who have died recently:

St Benedict's Ann Wilson, Yvonne Sutcliffe, Winifred Chadwick,

St Oswald's Shirley Lang

This Week's Prayer Intentions

† For the thousand who have died and the millions who have been affected by severe flooding in Bangladesh, India and Nepal.

† For the people of Texas who have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey, especially those involved in the rescue effort, those who have died and the many who are displaced.

† For all the children, young people and staff who will be returning to school this week.

† For our parishes that, animated by a missionary spirit, they may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen (*Pope Francis*).

† That we may all care for God's gift of creation.

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.

Second Collection Next Week: Catholic Education Service

Parish Finance – Thank you so much for your offerings on Sunday 27 August

ST BENEDICT'S	£358.69 (£198.96 Gift Aid), £121.00 Bell / Font Fund from Quiz, £14.45 Poor Box from Coffees
ST MARY'S	£900.93 (£267.00 Gift Aid + £324.87 from Weekday offertories)
ST OSWALD'S	£447.02 (£200.80 Gift Aid)