

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

## Newsletter

Sunday 4 February 2018

*Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)*



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 4 - 11 February 2018

	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
<b>Sunday 4 February</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)</i>	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners</i>	<b>(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>Eileen O'Donoghue &amp; Kitty McCarthy</i> <b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>George &amp; Doreen Cartes</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 5 February</b> <i>St Agatha</i>		<b>7.30 pm Prayer Group</b>
<b>Tuesday 6 February</b> <i>St Paul Miki &amp; Companions</i>	<b>12.15 pm Mass</b> <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>	<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Thomas &amp; Ethel Agnes Shufflebotham</i>
<b>Wednesday 7 February</b>	<b>9.30 Mass</b> <i>The Knight Family</i>	
<b>Thursday 8 February</b>		<b>9.30 am Mass</b> <i>Sylvia Smith</i> <b>7.30 pm Novena</b>
<b>Friday 9 February</b>	<b>12 Noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's</b>	
	<b>6.45 pm Meditation</b>	
<b>Saturday 10 February</b> <i>St Scholastica</i>	<b>4.00 pm Slovak Mass</b>	<b>10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition</b> <b>6.00 pm Vigil Mass</b> <i>The Parishioners, Carole Lawless</i>
<b>Sunday 11 February</b> <i>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)</i> World Day of Prayer for the Sick	<b>10.30 am Mass</b> <i>Eileen Lawton</i>	<b>8.30 am Mass</b> <i>Connie Adams</i> <b>3.30 pm Polish Mass</b>



#### 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](http://stmarysandstbenedictswarrington.co.uk)  
St Mary's: [www.stmaryswarrington.org.uk](http://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

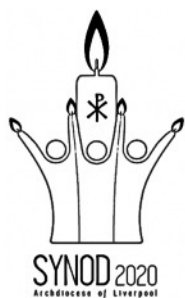
Rector: Fr de Malleray FSSP [malleray@fssp.org](mailto:malleray@fssp.org) Assistant: Fr Ian Verrier FSSP [iverrier@fssp.org](mailto:iverrier@fssp.org)

### LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM (with translations)

<b>Holy Mass</b> <i>Sunday</i> 11.00 am & 6.00 pm <i>Monday to Saturday</i> 12.10 pm	<b>Confessions</b> <i>Everyday</i> 30 minutes before Mass <i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 11.45 am	<b>Adoration &amp; Benediction</b> <i>Saturday</i> 10.00 – 12.00 noon	<b>Holy Rosary</b> <i>Sunday</i> 5.30 pm <i>Monday to Saturday</i> 11.30 am
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## SYNOD 2020 – A NEW VISION

### Part 5 – The Synod Logo



The logo for Synod 2020 came from an idea of the Archbishop. He reflected that he had often seen pottery images of a group standing round a candle. The candle represents Christ and the group gathers round the light. But he suggested that we should turn this around: in the midst of the group is the light and the group, strengthened by the light, face

outwards, ready to offer something to the world. In the logo each figure has a flame in their hands – this is the flame, the spark of faith, that we share with all those we meet. This seems to speak powerfully of the vision of Synod 2020. The logo is the work of Jonathan Mercer, Secretary of the Pastoral Formation Department.

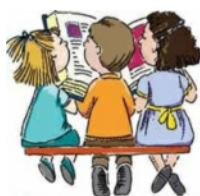
### MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Liverpool Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Association invite you to a Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes at 12.00 noon on Saturday 10 February at Christ the King, Queens Drive, Liverpool L15 6YQ.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Training for leaders/helpers of Children's Liturgy of the Word on Saturday 17 February at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Liverpool L17 1AA. Tea/coffee and arrivals at 10.00 am for 10.15 start until 12.30 pm. Cost: £10 per person (which will be paid by the parish). The main focus of the morning will be different ways of opening up the Gospel for children, and exploring all the different liturgical elements and ways of engaging the children. To book a place, please contact the Parish Office (630127) as soon as possible.

We could do with a few more people, especially parents, to help with Children's Liturgy during the 10.30 am Mass on Sundays at St Benedict's, and I would like to be able to provide something similar at St Oswald's during the 6.00 pm Mass on Saturdays. Have a think about it. It's very simple and not at all demanding. The more helpers we have, the less the commitment – say once a month nine times a year. If you would like more information, please have a word with me after Mass or give me a call on 630127. Many thanks. *Fr Dave*



### ST BENEDICT'S - RED MISSION BOX HOLDERS

Due to a shortage of collectors, many boxes will have to remain unopened until later in the year. However, if your box is full and needs emptying now, **please call tel. 571696 and arrangement will be made for this to happen.**

### LADIES GROUP MEETING

The Ladies Group are meeting on Thursday 8 February from 8.15 pm in the lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre for a Cheese and Wine Evening.

### 'WHY WE NEED MORE DEACONS'

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon will host an evening for men who may be wondering if they are called to serve as Deacons and what the formation involves. Wives, priests and deacons are also welcome. Thursday 15 February, 7.30 – 9.00 pm, at St Michael and All Angels, Sydney Powell Avenue, Kirkby L32 0TP. Refreshments available from 7.00 pm.

### SONGS WE REMEMBER SING-ALONG

Are you living with dementia or caring for someone who is? You are very welcome to join the sing-along at St Thomas of Canterbury Parish Hall, Great Georges Rd, Waterloo L22 1RD. Wednesdays 7 & 21 Feb & every other week thereafter. For more information, please contact Jenny at Irenaueus [jenny@ireneaus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@ireneaus.co.uk) or 0151 949 1199.

### GOT A SON/DAUGHTER AT UNIVERSITY?

If you have a son or daughter, grandson or granddaughter, at university, then you might like to send them the following website address:

[www.catholicstudentnetwork.co.uk](http://www.catholicstudentnetwork.co.uk)

The Catholic Student Network is a new initiative from Catholic uni students in the UK. The site has been set up for two key purposes: to support Catholic students, and to give their creativity a national platform.

### ST JOSEPH'S PRAYER CENTRE, FORMBY

10.30 - 3.30 pm Lunch included (Donations welcome).

**Feb 17: Lenten Reflection Day;** The Poetry of the Psalms leading us deeper into the Mystery of Easter - Led by Sr Annie Lunney SMG

**Feb 22: How to be a Catholic in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century;** Led by Chris Thomas

## THE JOHN LENNOX EVENT

Church leaders in Warrington have invited internationally renowned Professor John Lennox to give a talk on the subject, 'Why does God allow suffering', on Saturday 17 March at 7.30 pm in the Parr Hall. This free event is an incredible opportunity to hear a case for God in light of human suffering, delivered by one of the world's leading thinkers.

Professor Lennox is respected by leading academics. He has debated some of this generation's most prominent atheists. He has taught in most of the world's premier universities and has published over 20 books and, for one evening, he will engage with this important topic in Warrington, as well as answer people's questions.

If you would like to go to this event, please sign up through the <https://johnlennoxwarrington.eventbrite.com> portal.

## 'THE PRIESTS' LIVE IN CONCERT

Supporting the work of Nugent and Friends of Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral, 'The Priests' will be singing at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on Friday 1 June, with guest mezzo soprano, Danielle Thomas. Tickets from £16 from 0151 709 3789.



## ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA DAY

8 February 2018

Thursday 8 February is the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita

- the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. On this day, Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking, and the people that volunteer and work to eradicate this crime.



The Santa Marta Group is an initiative of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. Its mission is to bring together the global Church and law enforcement to combat and eradicate modern slavery.

## MODERN SLAVERY

There are an estimated 40 million victims of modern slavery worldwide. Modern slavery now ranks as the second most profitable worldwide criminal enterprise. It is a serious crime that exploits people for little or no pay. This exploitation can take many forms including forced labour, sexual exploitation, domestic servitude, forced criminality and organ harvesting.

It is believed that modern slavery affects every country in the world and here in the UK there are an estimated 13,000 victims hidden in plain sight.

The eradication of modern slavery and the pastoral care of victims is a priority for the Catholic Church. Pope Francis continually draws the attention of the Church and the wider world to the moral and human crisis evident in this widespread exploitation.

"I have stated several times that these new forms of slavery – human trafficking, forced labour, prostitution, organ trade – are very serious crimes, a wound on the body of contemporary humanity. The whole of society is called to grow in this awareness, especially with regard to national and international legislation, in order to prosecute the traffickers and redirect their unjust gains to the rehabilitation of victims" (Pope Francis to Participants in the Plenary Session, Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, 18 April 2015).

## ABOUT ST JOSEPHINE

St Josephine Bakhita, also known as 'Mother Moretta' (our 'Black Mother'), bore 144 physical scars throughout her life which were received after she was kidnapped at the age of nine and sold into slavery. Such was the trauma experienced that she forgot her birth name, so her kidnappers gave her the name Bakhita meaning 'fortunate'. She experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery.

In 1882 her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul. In this family and subsequently in a second Italian home, she received from her masters, kindness, respect, peace and joy. A change in her owner's circumstances meant that she was entrusted to the Canossian Sisters of the Institute of the Catechumens in Venice. It was there that Bakhita came to know about God whom 'she had experienced in her heart without knowing who He was' since she was a child. She was received into the Catholic Church in 1890, joining the sisters and making final profession in 1896.

The next fifty years of her life were spent witnessing to God's love through cooking, sewing, embroidery and attending to the door. When she was on door duty, she would gently lay her hands on the heads of the children who attended the nearby school and caress them. Her voice was pleasing to the little ones, comforting to the poor and suffering. She was a source of encouragement to many and her constant smile won people's hearts. Surrounded by the sisters, she died on 8 February 1947.

For more visit: [www.santamartagroup.com/santa-marta](http://www.santamartagroup.com/santa-marta)

## HELPING TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

If you suspect that someone is in danger, please call 999 - it's best to keep it simple. If you need advice about reporting something that may help a victim of modern slavery, please call the modern slavery helpline on: 0800 0121 700.

## SPOTTING THE SIGNS

- Fearful of police/authorities
- Fearful of the trafficker, believing their life or the lives of family members are at risk if they escape
- Show signs of physical and psychological trauma, e.g. anxiety, lack of memory of recent events, bruising, untreated conditions
- Anxious about telling others of their situation
- Be unaware they have been trafficked and believe they are simply in a bad job
- Have limited freedom of movement
- Look malnourished or unkempt
- Be unpaid or paid very little
- Seem to be in debt to someone
- Mention that someone else is holding their passport

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)  
Weekdays - Year 2, Week 5  
Divine Office – Psalter Week 1

Monday	1 Kgs 8: 1-7, 9-13 Mk 6: 53-56
Tuesday	1 Kgs 8: 22-23, 27-30 Mk 7: 1-13
Wednesday	1 Kgs 10: 1-10 Mk 7: 14-23
Thursday	1 Kgs 11: 4-13 Mk 7: 24-30
Friday	1 Kgs 11:29-31, 12:19 Mk 7: 31-37
Saturday	1 Kgs 12: 26-32 Mk 8: 1-10
Sunday	Lev 13: 1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10: 31-11:1 Mk 1: 40-45

## ST BENEDICT'S 200 CLUB WINNERS

28 Jan: To be Confirmed

Please make sure your subscription  
is up to date to qualify for entry

## POPE FRANCIS TWEET

**"A faith that does not trouble us  
is a troubled faith.  
A faith that does not make us  
grow is a faith that needs to grow."  
1 February**

## ST OSWALD'S PARISH CENTRE Padgate Lane, Warrington, WA1 3LB

### The Week Ahead

Sunday	9.00 pm	Quiz – Concert Room
Monday	2.00 pm	Sequence Dancing
Tuesday	7.30 pm	Line Dancing
Wednesday	8.00 pm	Bingo
Thursday	8.15 pm	Ladies Group - Lounge

Contact Lynne on 812266 or 07939 574790 for bookings

## LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



### Rite of Welcome

This weekend, we welcome Sava & Luka Saunders who will be baptised this month.

### Those who will be married next weekend:

*St Mary's* Mary O'Donoghue & John McDonagh

### 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, Syd Bradshaw, Sandra Richardson, Stanley Yates, Mary Monks

*St Mary's* Luciano Bartolo, Dorothy Parry, Edie Crompton

*St Oswald's* Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah Boardman, Sam Johnstone, Hollyann Prince, Shirley Jones, Betty Man-nion, Margaret Watts (nee McGinty), Mary Metcalfe, Kevin Wainwright, Kevin Duffy

*Other Parishes* Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 10), Grace Fernan-dapolle, Kat Clifford (aged 13), Fr Michael O'Neill MHM, Catherine Donaldson

### Those who have died recently, especially:

*St Mary's* Michael Moffatt

### This Week's Prayer Intentions

† For the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter (FSSP) at St Mary's Shrine.

† For Christians and Muslims fearing for their lives as violence escalates in the Central African Republic.

† For all who are working to establish peace between Palestinians and Israelis.

† For those who have material, political or spiritual power – that they will resist any lure of corruption (*Pope Francis*).

† For those who are homeless – people of all ages who sleep on the streets or in hostels, in store rooms or offices, on floors or someone's sofa.

**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](mailto:frdave@rcaolp.co.uk) or give him a note of their name and phone number. Many thanks.**

## St Benedict Quote

"Let all guests who arrive be received  
like Christ, for He is going to say,  
'I came as a guest, and you received Me'  
(Matt. 25:35)"

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please ensure  
the Parish Office receives  
items for the Newsletter  
by Wednesday at the latest.  
Tel: 630127

## ST BENEDICT'S PARISH CENTRE Rhodes Street, Warrington, WA2 7QE

### The Week Ahead

Sunday	8.30 pm	Cabaret Night
Monday	6.00 pm	Rainbows
	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 28 January

ST BENEDICT'S £358.18 (£205.44 Gift Aid), £99.25 Grotto Fund (£83 from Cakes Sale & £16.25 from Coffees)

ST OSWALD'S £498.92 (£219.00 Gift Aid)