

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



Archdiocese of Liverpool

Newsletter

Sunday 4 March 2018
Third Sunday of Lent (B)



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 March 2018		
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 4 March <i>3rd Sunday of Lent (B)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>Cornelius Kane</i>	(Sat) 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>The Parishioners</i> 8.30 am Mass <i>Peter, Jo, Geraldine & Barbara Ellington</i> 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 5 March		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 6 March	12.15 pm Mass <i>Vivian O'Hara</i>	9.30 am Mass (with Years 2 & 5) <i>Ely May & John O'Donovan</i> 10.00 am Holy Half Hour
Wednesday 7 March	9.30 am Mass (with Years 4 & 5) <i>Thanksgiving (St Titus & St Anthony)</i>	
Thursday 8 March		9.30 am Mass <i>Jean Bluck</i> 7.30 pm Stations of the Cross
Friday 9 March	12 noon Pastoral Area Mass at St Alban's	
	6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 10 March	2.00 pm Wedding Mass <i>Rocsana Mistreanu & Eduard Buiuc</i> 4.00 pm Slovak Mass	10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass <i>Private Intention (LISC)</i>
Sunday 11 March <i>4th Sunday of Lent (B)</i>	10.30 am Mass <i>The Parishioners & Mary Monks</i>	8.30 am Mass <i>Ian David Whelan</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

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St Mary's: www.stmaryswarrington.org.uk



St Mary's Shrine, Buttermarket Street, Warrington WA1 2NS

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LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM (with translations)

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

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT (26 February - 11 March)

To highlight Fairtrade Fortnight, Mary Hallam and Irene Casey have very kindly offered to provide a Fairtrade Stall at the back of church this week-end.



Buying Fairtrade goods helps to improve the lives of the farmers and workers who grow our food. Buying Fairtrade helps to challenge unfair and unjust trade rules. Buying Fairtrade helps to make the world a better place for everyone.

50p COLLECTION

You are invited to bring 50p with you every time you come to church during Lent. This year, the money we collect will be used to support the homeless and those in need here in Warrington. Sadly, the need is great. Individuals and families approach the Church every week because they have nowhere else to turn.

LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will be meeting on Thursday 8 March in St Oswald's Parish Centre Lounge at 8.15 pm. This week they are having a Quiz Evening.

NUGENT SUNDAY ANNUAL APPEAL

Next weekend, we celebrate the legacy and saintly ministry of Fr James Nugent, whose mission to those in need lives on in the schools, care homes and community services run by Nugent, the social welfare organisation of the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Almost 200 years after Fr Nugent's birth, we continue to care for and serve those who are vulnerable and in need of help.



Next Sunday's Second Collection will go to support Nugent's faith development work with children and adults with learning disabilities, and Nugent's Mother and Baby Services managed by Sister Benedicte at Clumber Care Homes.

ST OSWALD'S BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Since mid-2017, the names of parishioners who have died are automatically entered into the Book of Remembrance.

If you would like to include a member of the parish who died before this time, please complete one of the forms in the plastic container by the Book of Remembrance. Many thanks.

THE SEASON OF LENT

LENTEN MEDITATION COURSE

There is still time to join the Meditation Course which takes place at St Joseph's Family Centre, 9 Museum Street, Warrington. The remaining sessions take place on Mondays 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March from 7.30 - 8.30 pm. The course is led by Devid Mahon and Melanie Wood. For beginners and more experienced meditators!

PREPARING FOR HOLY WEEK

HOLY WEEK PENANCE SERVICE

There will be a Service of Reconciliation on Tuesday 27 March at 7.30 pm in St Oswald's.

CHRISM MASS

This year's Chrism Mass will take place in the Cathedral on Wednesday 28 March at 7.30 pm. If you would like a place on the coach going to the celebration, please sign the appropriate sheet at the back of church as soon as possible. Many thanks.

GREEN PLANTS

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening will be followed by 'Watching' at the Altar of Repose, just like the disciples watched with Jesus as he prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. The Altar of Repose will be in the Lady Chapel at St Benedict's. We could do with some green plants to decorate the altar. If you could lend a green plant, please sign the appropriate sheet at the back of church and bring your plant to St Benedict's on Palm Sunday (with any instructions for watering, etc). Plants can then be collected on Easter Sunday. Many thanks.

TRIDUUM SIGN-UP

Volunteers are needed to help with the liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday: Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Washing of the Feet (women and men, young and older), etc. If you're able to help, it would be very much appreciated. There's a sign-up sheet at the back of each church. Many thanks.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon invites you to join him in celebrating the Annual Marriage and Family Life Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Sunday 11 March at 11.00 am. All are welcome to attend. The Mass will include a special blessing for those celebrating significant anniversaries. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Gibberd Room.

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.

FAURE REQUIEM

Saturday 17 March at 7.30 pm in Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. The Cathedral's Lenten concert will be dominated by the music of Fauré: his Requiem, the elegiac Cantique op 11 and his orchestral Suite illustrating the doomed love between Pelleas and Melisande. There will be other works by his friends and contemporaries, including the haunting Pavane by his pupil Ravel. For full details and tickets: www.cathedralconcerts.org.uk

ANNUAL ROMERO MASS

Sunday 18 March at 11.00 am at St Charles and St Thomas More, Aigburth Road, Liverpool L17 9PG. Speakers: Steve and Anne Atherton (recently returned from a Romero Pilgrimage to El Salvador).

'PEACE: THE PRODUCT OF JUSTICE & LOVE'

The ongoing struggle for peace in Romero's beloved El Salvador. Speaker: Rubén Zamora, Diplomat and Politician. Monday 19 March, 7.00 – 9.00 pm, at EDEN130 Eden Building, Hope Park Campus, Liverpool Hope University, Hope Park, Liverpool L16 9JD. All are welcome.

CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS: "PETER'S PASSION"

Tuesday 20 March at 6.00 pm in the Auditorium at the High School. It is a musical story written by Bernadette Egan. Admission is free.

RACE NIGHT - FOR ST JOSEPH'S FAMILY CENTRE

Enjoy a Pre-Grand National flutter at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Meeting Lane, Penketh, on Friday 6 April to raise funds for St Joseph's Family Centre. **Tickets are £5.00** (includes free raffle and picture quiz). Tickets are available from St Joseph's Family Centre on 01925 635448 or you can pay on the door. Starters orders will be at 8.00 pm.

SCRIPTURE WEEKEND

'The Advocate will teach you everything.'

Reflections on the Holy Spirit in John's Gospel takes place 13-15 April at the Irenaeus Project, 32 Great Georges Road, Liverpool, L22 1RD. Suggested donations: £85 residential, £60 non-residential (with meals), £20 non-residential bringing own sandwiches. For a booking form contact Irenaeus on 0151 949 1199 or email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk

CATHOLIC PIC RETREAT

Fr Peter Morgan (St Anne & St Bernard's, Liverpool) will lead this year's Catholic Pic Retreat/Break to York, the Holy Island of Lindisfarne and Durham Cathedral from Tuesday 24 to Friday 27 April 2018. Cost £325. For a booking form contact Irenaeus please call 0151 733 5492.

CARING FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT (#3)

Plastic waste is not only harming our environment, but killing marine life and causing suffering to many of God's creatures. So, this week, something from the Church of England's Lent Plastic Challenge.

Give up disposable cups and drinks in plastic bottles. Carry a travel mug or water bottle. Get a reusable bottle, fill it up with tap water before leaving the house, and refill it wherever you happen to be.

LENTEN REFLECTION: What are you worth?

A well-known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a £20 note. He asked, "Who would like this £20 note?" Hands started going up. He proceeded to crumple up the £20 notes. He dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, it was now crumpled and dirty. "Now, who still wants it?" Still the hands went into the air. "My friends", he said, "we have all learned a very valuable lesson today. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It is still worth £20."

"Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value. Dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are still priceless to those who do love you. The worth of our lives comes not in what we do or who we know, but by who we are. "You are special, and don't you ever forget it." (Source unknown)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

3rd Sunday of Lent (B)

Weekdays - 3rd Week of Lent

Divine Office – Psalter Week 3

Monday	2 Kgs 5: 1-15a Lk 4: 24-30
Tuesday	Dan 3: 25, 34-43 Mt 18: 21-35
Wednesday	Deut 4: 1, 5-9 Mt 5: 17-19
Thursday	Jer 7: 23-28 Lk 11: 14-23
Friday	Hos 14: 2-10 Mk 12: 28b-34
Saturday	Hos 6: 1-6 Lk 18: 9-14
Sunday	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Eph 2: 4-10 Jn 3: 14-21

ST BENEDICT'S

200 CLUB WINNERS

18 Feb: 10 Sue & Dave Boyle

25 Feb: 149 Linda Flynn

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

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

We are all called to live the joy that comes from the encounter with Jesus, to overcome our selfishness, and to move beyond our comfort zone.

(24 February)

Outer changes always begin with an inner change of attitude.

Albert Einstein

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Tel: 630127

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 Quiz - Lounge

Contact Lynne on 812266 or 07939 574790 for bookings

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 25 February

ST BENEDICT'S	18 Feb: £346.46 (£156.26 Gift Aid)	25 Feb: £365.00 (£209.11 Gift Aid), £137.95 CAFOD
	£61.40 50p Collection, £111.22 Grotto Donations, £115.00 Grotto from Quiz, £90.78 Poor Box Donations	
ST OSWALD'S	To be confirmed	

Second Collection Next Week: Nugent

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LET US HOLD IN PRAYER



Rite of Welcome

This week we welcome Teddy Braide, Elsie Grainger, and Elicja, Latoya & Charlene Whitfield who are to be baptised later this month.

Those to be married next weekend:

St Benedict's Roczana Mistreanu & Eduard Buiuc

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, Mike McCarrick

Other Parishes Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 10), Grace Fernandapolle, Kat Clifford (aged 13), Fr Michael O'Neill MHM, Catherine Donaldson, Margaret Fay

Those who have died recently, especially:

St Benedict's Adrian Bates, Agnes Wilson

This Week's Prayer Intentions

- † For Joanne, Michelle and Ryan who will be baptised at the Easter Vigil.
- † For the children preparing for First Communion and for their families.
- † For children in care who so often feel unloved, lost or deeply unhappy.
- † That governments and legislators may protect and establish the dignity and equality of women in society.
- † That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels (*Pope Francis*).

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.