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



Newsletter Sunday 18 March 2018 Fifth 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 18 - 25 March	2018
	ST BENEDICT'S Rhodes Street, Warrington WA2 7QE	ST OSWALD'S Padgate Lane, Warrington WA1 3LB
Sunday 18 March 5 th Sunday of Lent (B)	10.30 am Children's Mass Syd Bradshaw	(Sat) 6.00 pm Children's Vigil Mass The Parishioners & Joseph Cann 8.30 am Mass Gilbert Cox 3.30 pm Polish Mass
Monday 19 March Solemnity of St Joseph, Husband of Mary		7.30 pm Prayer Group
Tuesday 20 March	12.15 pm Mass Private Intention (LISC)	9.30 am Mass Robert Crook 10.00 am Holy Half Hour
Wednesday 21 March	9.30 am Mass Ian Buist	
Thursday 22 March		10.00 am Funeral Mass Mary (Shirley) Jones 7.30 pm Stations of the Cross
Friday 23 March	9.15 am School Mass 11.45 am Stations of the Cross 12.15 pm Mass Kevin Duffy 6.45 pm Meditation	
Saturday 24 March	4.00 pm Slovak Mass	10.00 - 11.00 am Exposition 6.00 pm Vigil Mass Anne-Marie Donlan & Tony Johnson
Sunday 25 March Palm Sunday (B)	10.30 am Mass The Parishioners	8.30 am Mass John Michael Knight 3.30 pm Polish Mass



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

 Weekdays
 11.40 am - 12.05 pm
 St Mary's Shrine

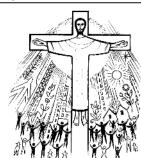
 Tuesday
 11.30 am - 12.05 pm
 St Benedict's*

 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: <u>stmarysandstbenedictswarrington.co.uk</u>
St Mary's: <u>www.stmaryswarrington.org.uk</u>



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Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St Peter

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LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM (with translations)

Holy Mass Sunday 11.00 am & 6.00 pm Monday to Saturday 12.10 pm Confessions
Everyday
30 minutes before Mass
Saturday
10.00 – 11.45 am

Adoration & Benediction Saturday 10.00 – 12.00 noon Holy Rosary
Sunday
5.30 pm
Monday to Saturday
11.30 am

THIS WEEK

FIRST COMMUNION 2018

A very warm welcome to the children preparing for First Communion, and their parents/carers, who are joining us for Mass this weekend.



FAIRTRADE

Many thanks to Irene Casey and Mary Hallam for providing the Fairtrade Stall last weekend. A total of £115 worth of goods was sold. During the last 12 months, the three stalls have sold £355 worth of goods. Many thanks for supporting a fairer deal for farmers and workers in developing countries.

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.

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.

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.

WALK OF WITNESS

For the second year running, there will be a short Walk of Witness in Warrington town centre during Holy Week on Wednesday 28 March. The idea of the walk is to reflect on the cost of placing our security in armaments and to pray for peace by stopping at three places in the town centre with links to past acts of war and violence. We will meet at 12.00 noon at the Bridgefoot War Memorial, walk to the Fountain of Life in Bridge Street, and then to Palmyra Square – named after a city in Syria. Then we could go for a cuppa together! *Fr Dave*

TRIDUUM SIGN-UP

Thank you very much to those who have signed up so far. We still need a few more volunteers to help with the liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday night: 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.

INVITATION TO HOLY WEEK



Just as Ramadan is a special month for Muslims and Passover is a special week for the Jews, Holy Week is a special week for Christians. In fact, it is the holiest week of the year, culminating in the most important day of the year for Christians – Easter Sunday.

During Holy Week, we remember what Jesus did for us out of the great love he has for each one of us.

The week begins on **Palm Sunday**. We remember the day Jesus arrived in Jerusalem. Just as people greeted him by waving palms and singing 'Hosanna', we begin Mass by blessing palms and singing 'Hosanna'.

Then, on **Holy Thursday** evening, we recall what Jesus did on the night before he died – how he washed the feet of his disciples and shared the Last Supper with them. We do the

same: Fr Dave will wash the feet of some parishioners and bag, why not take a reusable bag with you? It's a little then we will celebrate the Eucharist – the meal Jesus asked us thing, but if we all did it, it would make a massive difference. to share in memory of him.

On Good Friday, we remember Jesus' death on the cross. All over the world at 3.00 o'clock in the afternoon, Christians stop what they are doing and go to church to listen to the Passion - the story of what happened to Jesus, and to venerate the cross. For children, there is Stations of the Cross in the morning at 11.00 am. For those who have to work, there is a short service in the evening at 7.00 pm.

Then, on Holy Saturday night at 8.00 pm, we gather for the great Easter Vigil - the most important service of the year. We begin by lighting the big Easter candle, we listen to stories from the Scriptures about the great things God has done for his people, we welcome new members into the Church and celebrate the Eucharist.

The feast of Easter continues on Easter Sunday.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM **Holy Thursday** 7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's St Benedict's Supper (followed by 'Watching' until 10.00 pm) **Good Friday** 11.00 am Stations of the St Benedict's Cross for Children 12.00 noon St Oswald's Stations of the Cross (led by the Ladies Group) 3.00 pm Celebration of the St Oswald's Passion of the Lord St Oswald's 5.30 pm Polish Liturgy 7.00 pm 'At the Foot of the Cross' St Benedict's (A short service of music and reflection) **Holy Saturday** 2.30 pm Polish Blessing of Food St Oswald's 8.00 pm The Easter Vigil St Benedict's (N.B. No 6.00 pm Mass at St Oswald's) **Easter Sunday** 8.30 pm St Oswald's Mass 10.30 am **Baptism Mass** St Benedict's 2.00 pm Polish Mass St Oswald's

CARING FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT (#4)

Some months ago, Sky News launched 'Ocean Rescue' - a campaign to tackle the overwhelming amount of plastic pollution threatening our seas and wildlife. If things go on as they are, by 2050 there could well be more plastic than fish (by weight) in our seas!

Plastic bags and produce bags in particular are often used for minutes before being discarded. Most plastic bags are not recycled and either end up in landfills or on the street or in the sea. When you go shopping, instead of buying a plastic

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WALK OF WITNESS (Liverpool)

Holy Saturday (31 March) at 2.00 pm. Departing Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral Piazza, walk through city centre led by the Bishop of Liverpool and the Archbishop of Liverpool, concluding with prayers and refreshments at Liverpool Parish Church.

LIVING FULLY - CATECHESIS FOR ALL

Resources, workshops and ideas for including people with disabilities (including deaf) in the parish setting. Saturday 14 April at St Teresa's, Upholland, 10.00 am - 12.00 noon. RSVP to formation@rcaol.co.uk or 0151 522 1040.

'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.

LUNCH CLUB

The Lunch Club takes place this Tuesday from 12 till 2.30 pm at St Benedict's Parish Centre, for parishioners 50+ and friends - with lunch, music, a game of bingo, and great company. Price £3. Tickets for April's Lunch will be available to purchase this Tuesday.

LADIES GROUP

The Ladies Group will meet in the Lounge at St Oswald's Parish Centre on Thursday 22 March at 8.15 pm for a Lenten evening.

EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets for the Easter Raffle are on sale after each Mass at St Oswald's this weekend. Proceeds will go towards the parish Mission to the Poor and Homeless in Warrington.

EASTER HAMPERS - DRAW

Draw tickets for the Easter Hampers are on sale at St Benedict's after each Mass. Proceeds will go towards the 2018 Walking Day Fund. See Clem or Miriam after Mass for tickets, otherwise available from the Sacristy during the week after the weekday Masses. Tickets £1.00 each.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

See noticeboard for:- Chief Operating Officer for the Offices of the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Information pack available from recruitment@kinharvie.org.uk Closing date: 5.00 pm on 3 April 2018.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

5th Sunday of Lent (B) Weekdays - 5th Week of Lent Divine Office – Psalter Week 1

Monday 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a,16

Rom 4: 13, 16-18, 22

Mt 1: 16, 18-21, 24a

Tuesday

Num 21: 4-9

Jn 8: 21-30

Wednesday Dan 3:14-20,91-92,95

Jn 8: 31-42

Thursday

Gen 17: 3-9

Jn 8: 51-59 Jer 20: 10-13

Friday

Jn 10: 31-42

Saturday

Ezek 37: 21-28

Jn 11: 45.56

Sunday

Is 50: 4-7 Phil 2: 6-11

Mk 14: 1-15: 47

ST BENEDICT'S **200 CLUB WINNERS**

11 March: 8 M Hines

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

LET US HOLD IN PRAYER

Those who are sick or homebound, especially:

Paul Vernon, Brenda Snelson, Jean Molphy, Beryl Campbell, St Benedict's

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, Kate Rigby, Ian Buist

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

St Oswald's Susan Disley, Mary Massey, Maureen Holt, Catherine Carne, Sarah

> Boardman, Sam Johnstone, Hollyann Prince, Betty Mannion, Margaret Watts (nee McGinty), Mary Metcalfe, Kevin Wainwright, Kevin Duffy,

Mike McCarrick

Ged O'Connor, Daniel Davies, John Heywood (aged 10), Other Parishes

> Grace Fernandapolle, Kat Clifford (aged 13), Fr Michael O'Neill MHM, Catherine Donaldson, Margaret Fay, Fr John Gildea, Wilfrid Rigby

Those who have died recently, especially:

St Benedict's Alan Lloyd

St Oswald's Shirley Jones, Irene Kaintoch

Archdiocese Deacon Fred Warriner, Deacon Terry Alcock

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 Pope Francis on the fifth anniversary of his election as pope.
- † For victims of torture, people with serious mental health conditions, and potential survivors of human trafficking being held in detention centres in the UK.
- † For those who are sick at home or in hospital, for their relatives who are worried about them, and for all who lovingly serve them as nurses, doctors or carers.

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.

POPE FRANCIS TWEET

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we find our way back to the Lord, and rediscover the meaning of life.

(9 March)

QUOTE

"Migrants and refugees are giving Europe a new centrality that political Europe does not want and that Christian Europe cannot refuse."

Massimo Faggioli (Historian & Theologian)

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 Line Dancing 7.30 pm

Wednesday 8.00 pm Bingo

Thursday 8.15 pm Ladies Group - Lounge

For Bookings call 812266 or 07939 574790

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

12 noon - 2.30 pm Lunch Club Tuesday

Wednesday 7.00 pm Drama Group **Thursday** 7.30 pm Line Dancing

For Bookings call 07377 341982 before 7 pm, or 633920

Parish Finance - Thank you so much for your offerings on 11 March

ST BENEDICT'S £421.74 (£210.98 Gift Aid), £52.83 Nugent, £42.25 50p Collection, £20.00 CAFOD, £10.00 Lenten Alms, £94.63 Grotto Donations (£64.63 Irish Club, £30 Anon), £11.30 Poor Box from Coffees.

£565.46 (£317.31 Gift Aid), £140.34 Nugent, £27.00 Lenten Alms, £69.05 50p Collection ST OSWALD'S