

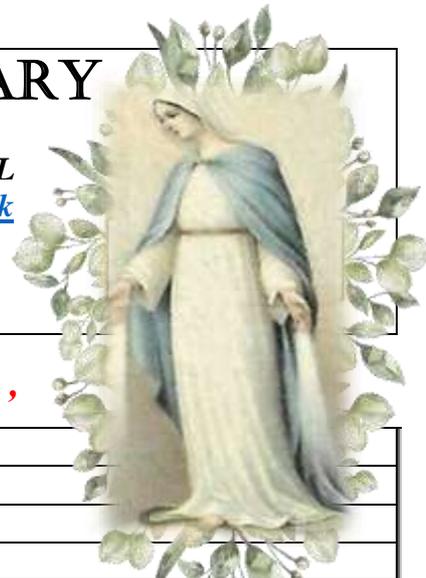


THE PARISH & CHURCH of ST MARY

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*St Mary's Church is open for Mass & services
 & private prayer during the day.*



1st May 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Year c

'I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me.'

Saturday	30.4	5.00pm: Vigil Mass: Parishioners
Sunday	1.5	9.00am: Mary & John Yates
Monday	2.5	12.00pm: Sydney Smith
Tuesday	3.5	8.30am: Dominic Huet
Wednesday	4.5	12.00pm: James Boylan
Thursday	5.5	12.00pm: Special Intention
Friday	6.5	12.00pm: Requiem: James Johnson
Saturday	7.5	10.00am: Dorothy Pugh Exposition after Mass Confessions: 11.00-11.45am and 4.30-4.45pm.
Saturday	7.5	5.00pm: Vigil Mass: Parishioners
Sunday	8.5	9.00am: Terence Blackledge

AVE MARIA

... PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ...

The People of Ukraine and Russia at this deeply troubling time.

The sick: Dominic Huet, Brian Cunniffe, Paul Winstanley, Fr Tom Gagie, Brian Dunn, *all those close to us;*

Lately Dead: Fr Victor Bridges, Jimmy Cleary, James Boylan, Teresa Gerrard *and all those who have died recently.*
May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Mary Yates, Terence Blackledge, Sydney Smith, James Joynt.

Mass Intentions Received: Jimmy Cleary, James Boylan, Terence Blackledge, Sydney Smith, Daniel Brogan,
 In Thanksgiving to St Jude, Margaret Forshaw, James Joynt, Teresa Gerrard.

Feasts & Memorials this week

Monday: *St Athanasius*

Tuesday: **FEAST OF SS PHILIP & JAMES**

Wednesday: **FEAST of THE ENGLISH MARTYRS**

APF MILL HILL MISSIO RED BOX APPEAL:

FR STEPHEN GILES visits the parish **next Saturday/Sunday 7th/ 8th May.** Fr Giles will be hoping that more people might consider keeping one of the famous Red Boxes in their homes, and so contribute to vital financial support of the Missions in the poorest parts of the world.

St Mary's parish raised £1105.73 in 2021 through our Red Boxes to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our missionary community here at St Mary's is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries through prayer and financial assistance. The founder of this network **Pauline Jaricot** will be beatified in May this year. This remarkable lay woman's life was marked by intense suffering and great trust in God. Pauline's life helps us to see how every prayers, however short, and every contribution, however small, is valued by God and can transform the world for the better. Thank you for being a part of Pauline's legacy. Visit missio.org.uk to find out more about Pauline, and how your support of Missio changes lives for the better. If anyone would like to take a Red Box into their home please contact Mary Sharkey on 07808 889775 these are emptied twice a year

DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Sunday 7th May

The Priests' Training Fund Collection is usually taken this weekend but will be the following week:
14th / 15th May

FINANCIAL HELP FOR UKRAINE: UPDATE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Help for Ukraine

Financial donations can be made by bank transfer and by cheque as follows:

By bank transfer to:

Account name: Archdiocese of Liverpool. Sort code: 40-29-12. Account no: 01551493. Reference: *Help Ukraine*

By cheque made payable to 'Archdiocese of Liverpool' and with '*Help Ukraine*' written on the reverse side of the cheque. The cheques can be sent to the finance department at St Margaret Clitherow Centre.

All donations will be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family of London.

To text donations the text numbers are:

Text HELPUKRAINE to 70085 to donate £2; Text HELPUKRAINE to 70450 to donate £3

Text HELPUKRAINE to 70460 to donate £5; Text HELPUKRAINE to 70470 to donate £10

(Texts will cost the donation amount plus one standard network rate message.)

All Information: <http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ukraine-support>



CDs of the Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom recorded in St Joseph's Church Anderton, Chorley in 1998, which features Bishop Gregory singing, are on sale from the Archdiocese for £5 each; proceeds going to the **#Liverpool4Ukraine appeal**. If you would like to order a copy/copies, please email communications@rcaol.org.uk.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Archdiocesan Pastoral Development Department no longer provides these preparation courses

Any couples looking for marriage courses are asked to book directly and are given options which are accessible on the website: www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/marriage-preparation-options

Other support options are also listed including retreat opportunities, divorced Catholics, those struggling in relationships, those who are widowed and more.

SECOND COLLECTIONS: Totals sent from the Parish: Thank you for your great generosity. The CAFOD and Ukraine collections remain open for donations which can be left at the presbytery in clearly marked envelopes.

White Flower: £285.45.

Lenten Alms: £195.00.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day: £304.67.

Nugent: £162.23.

Holy Places: £362.43.

Ukraine Appeal: £1047.40 to date.

GIFT AID OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - St Mary's: are now available at the back of church. If you are no longer a UK tax payer, if you have changed your address or if you do not wish to continue using the boxes, please would you let the St Mary's office know, (contact details above). If you would like GA envelopes please let Fr Johnson know.

If you would like to donate by Standing Order, please ask Fr Johnson for a **SO Mandate form.**

Thank you, as always for your generosity.

'ELTON AND THE JETS': an international Elton John Tribute from Florida for one night only on Friday 10th June at Whelley Ex-Serviceman's Club, Vauxhall Rd, Scholes; promises a night of music, dancing and fun.

Tickets: £10.00 after 9.15am Mass at St Patrick's on **Sunday 1st May.**

COVID PROTOCOLS - UPDATE

Following the meeting of the Archbishop's Council yesterday the following Guidelines are being offered. This will come into effect from today (April 27th 2022).

Face Coverings: Face-coverings are now optional for people who attend a service in church.

Sanitising: Sanitiser/gel should still be available for those who wish to use it on entering the building. It is not seen as necessary to make the sanitising of hands mandatory.

Communion under both kinds is not to be offered yet (We will continue to review this.)

If **Communion on the tongue** is requested, it will be offered when all others have approached the altar and the ministers hands should be cleansed after each individual distribution.

It is not envisaged that intinction should be offered (except at a concelebration.)

ALL MASS INTENTIONS AND NEWSLETTER REQUESTS can be left at the presbytery in a marked envelope or sent to the parish office at the email address: ssmary.john@rcaolp.co.uk (**by Wednesday please.**)

More news and information can be found on St William's Parish website: www.stwilliamparishwigan.org

Facebook Pages: '*St John's RC Church, Standishgate, Wigan*' & '*St Patrick's Catholic Church Wigan*

YouTube: *St Patrick & St John Wigan.*
