



# The Parish of St William served by the Churches of St John & St Patrick

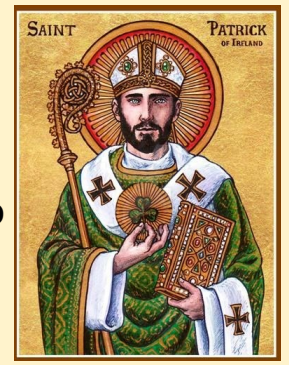
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## Sunday 21st November 2021 – Christ the Universal King

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### Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 21 Nov	<p><b>The Solemnity of Christ the Universal King</b></p> <p>St Patrick's Church is open until 10pm for private prayer and adoration—everyone welcome.</p>	<p>Mass St Patrick's 9.15am—Pious List / Kathleen Gannon (A)</p> <p>Mass St John's 11.00am—Pious List</p> <p>Confessions St John's 3.45-4.15pm</p> <p>Mass St John's 4.30pm—Parishioners</p> <p>Rosary recited in St Patrick's 6.30pm</p> <p>Night Prayer and Benediction to end Quarant 'ore St Patrick's 9.30pm</p>
Mon 22 Nov	St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr	No Mass (Fr O'Shea will celebrate Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List
Tue 23 Nov	St Columbanus, Abbot	No Mass (Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List / Veronica Howarth (A)
Wed 24 Nov	St Andrew Dũng-Lac and his Companions, Martyrs	No Mass (Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List / Angela Marie Hayes
Thur 25 Nov	St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr	No Mass (Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List / Veronica Gaskell (A)
Fri 26 Nov	Week 34 in Ordinary Time	No Mass (Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List
Sat 27 Nov	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass (Mass at Ampleforth) —Pious List / John & Annie Towey (A)
Sun 28 Nov	<p><b>First Sunday of Advent</b></p> 	<p>Mass St Patrick's 9.15am—Pious List / Patrick Healy (A)</p> <p>Mass St John's 11.00am—Parishioners</p> <p>Confessions St John's 3.45-4.15pm</p> <p>Mass St John's 4.30pm—Pious List</p> <p>Advent Service St John's 6.00pm</p> <p>Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm</p>

(A) - anniversary  
(LD) - lately dead

**CONFESSIONS:** For ten minutes after each weekday Mass and at St John's from 3.45 – 4.15pm on Sundays.

**Please remember in your prayers our sick relatives and friends:**

Maureen O'Bern, Mary Moreton, John Heyes, Celia Marshall, Teresa Foster, Georgia Fradley, Joanna Lee, Colin Benfold, Albert Winstanley, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher, Tim Moran

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Kathleen Gannon, Veronica Howarth, Veronica Gaskell, John & Annie Towey, Patrick Healy, Winifred Mary Critchley, Judith Traynor, Fr Peter Sibert, Horace Gould, John Dalton, Francis Conway, Peter Lawrenson, Harry Cunliffe, Wilfred Mitchell, Horace Davies, Mark Lloyd, Kenneth McHugh, Kathleen Gannon, Mary Healy, Doreen Bennett, Isabella Cannon

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED:** Zakaria & Kochuthersia, Abraham & Annamma, Gerard Howe, Gwynn Rowlands (LD), Maureen O'Bern (sick), Patrick Healy (A), Mary Moreton (successful operation), John & Annie Towey (A).

**TODAY IS WORLD YOUTH DAY:** In November 2020, Pope Francis called for a relaunch of World Youth Day (previously celebrated annually on Palm Sunday) and asked the global Catholic community to celebrate locally on the Solemnity of Christ the King. It is a day for the world to recognise and celebrate young people in our local church communities, whether that be through school, at home, or of course in church. You can find resources to help celebrate World Youth Day at home or in school at [worldyouthsunday.com](http://worldyouthsunday.com)

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Tobias Jonathan Giuseppe Hayton who is baptised today at St John's and to all those who were confirmed yesterday by Bishop Neylon at St Cuthbert's, Pemberton. Please keep the young people and adults from our parish in your prayers.

**ARCHDIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN:** After the meeting of Synod 2020 in June this year, work began on preparing a pastoral plan which would guide the archdiocese in the years to come based on the outcomes of the Synod. This plan will be launched next weekend. Every parishioner will get a postcard giving details of how to access the plan and an invitation to a meeting to hear about it. Copies of the plan will be available online and at Pauline Books and Media from next weekend. Please pray this week for open hearts to receive with grateful thanks the fruits of much listening, discerning and work that is Synod 2020. To find out more, you are welcome to any of these open meetings:

- Saturday 4th Dec 11.00am – 12.30pm in St Mary's Church, Leyland
- Tuesday 7th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm in Holy Rosary Church, Aintree
- Thursday 9th Dec 7.00pm – 8.30pm on Zoom



**ST PATRICK'S ADVENT WREATH:** Parishioner, Patrick McLoughlin, has designed and created a new Advent Wreath and Stand for St Patrick's Church. At the start of next Sunday's Mass (the First Sunday of Advent), Father O'Shea will bless it. We thank Patrick and his wife, Karen, for their kind donation and for his craftsmanship and time.

**THE SHAMROCK ON THEIR CHEST:** Ken Scally's poem, written in memory of all the St Patrick's lads, who joined the Irish Guards at St Patrick's Church in March 1915, is available on the St Patrick's Facebook Page. Printed copies available soon.

**THANK YOU:** to the 'army' who helped to prepare and clean St Patrick's for this week's Quarant' Ore celebrations and to those who kindly agreed to help out with certain tasks this weekend at short notice.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME:** Our itinerary has been finalized. The cost has reduced to £1260 and single room supplement of £185 (minimum of 25 pilgrims). Our brochure packs should be here soon with all booking and deposit details. Chris will ensure everyone on the list gets these as soon as they arrive.

**ST JOHN'S GARDENING ANGELS:** meet every Monday 2-4pm. All are welcome to come and help.

**ST PATRICK'S LOST BUT NOT YET FOUND:** There's a collection of glasses cases, caps, brollies etc that have been left behind at St Patricks recently. Please have a look at the back of church to see if St Anthony has interceded for you.

**WALSINGHAM:** There are 8 places still available on Wigan Lourdes' Groups' pilgrimage to Walsingham from 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> May next year. The cost is £270, sharing a room. Please ring 01942 248150.

### Dates for your diary...

Sunday 28th Nov 6.00pm	<b>St John's</b> will be hosting an <b>Advent Service</b> . Why not join us for a reflective hour of beautiful music, readings and prayer to begin the noble season of Advent. Refreshments will be served in the Campbell Room afterwards.
Sunday 28th November	Coffee Morning will return after the <b>9.15am Mass at St Patrick's, next weekend</b> in the Lappin Room. Tea, coffee, toast and cake will be served. All proceeds to the Restoration Fund.
Saturday 4th Dec 7.30pm	<b>Wigan Choral Society</b> —festive concert featuring selections from 'Elijah', 'Messiah', Verdi and Faure. St Michael's Church, Swinley. Tickets £10 (£8 concessions). See Poster in Church
Sunday 5th December	Coffee Morning will return after the <b>11.00am Mass at St John's</b> . Tea. Coffee and festive treats will be on offer... All proceeds to the Restoration Fund.
Thursday 9th Dec 7pm	The first meeting of <b>St Patrick's Ladies in the Lappin Room</b> , and then on the first Thursday evening of each month thereafter. The first meeting will be a chance to get together, plan activities/speakers/events and have a chat over a cuppa. All ladies welcome.
Friday 17th Dec 7pm-11.30pm	<b>St Patrick's Christmas Night</b> Raffle, DJ, Christmas Fun in Whelley Legion. Tickets £5—available soon. All proceeds to the Restoration Fund. <b>Tickets on sale from Next weekend.</b>
Saturday 18th Dec 10.30am-12.30pm	<b>Wigan Choral Society</b> are singing traditional Christmas Carols in the <b>Grand Arcade</b> . Why not support them with your presence—they sound beautiful!
Tuesday 21st Dec 12.45-1.20pm	<b>St Patrick's Primary School's Christmas Carol Service in St Patrick's Church</b> . A warm invitation to attend is extended to all Parishioners.
Wednesday 12th January 2022 7.00pm	<b>Out FIRST Parish Meeting</b> —a joint Open Forum. Our first meeting will be at St Patrick's. Save the date...more details to follow...



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'St Patrick's Catholic Church, Wigan'

'St Patrick & St John Wigan'

