



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

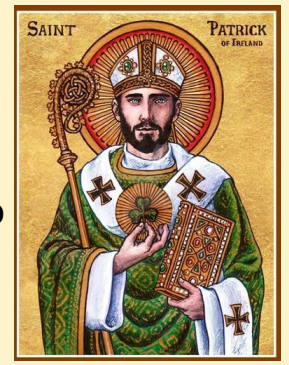
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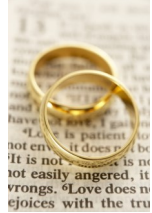
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## Sunday 3rd October 2021 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

Mark 10: 2-12

### PARISH MASS BOOK: Today's Mass—pages 140-143—Year B Volume 2

## Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

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| Sun 3 Oct  | <b>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>    | Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Jane Dunn<br>Mass <b>St John's</b> 11.00am—Albert Summers (A)<br>Confessions <b>St John's</b> 3.45-4.15pm<br>Mass <b>St John's</b> 4.30pm—Parishioners<br>Parish Rosary via Zoom 6.30pm   | (A) - anniversary<br>(LD) - lately dead |
| Mon 4 Oct  | <i>St Francis of Assisi</i>            | Mass <b>St John's</b> 8.30am—Benefactors of the LISCF   |   |
| Tue 5 Oct  | <i>St Faustina Kowalska, Religious</i> | Eucharistic Adoration <b>St Patrick's</b> 6.15-7.15pm<br>Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 7.30pm—Kathleen Unsworth (LD)   |   |
| Wed 6 Oct  | <i>St Bruno, Priest</i>                | Eucharistic Adoration <b>St John's</b> 8.45-9.45am<br>Mass <b>St John's</b> 10.00am—Celia Marshall<br>Open Forum Meeting <b>St Patrick's Presbytery</b> 7pm   |   |
| Thur 7 Oct | <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>          | Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—John, Jane & Terry Dixon<br>Funeral Service <b>St Patrick's</b> 2.30pm for Francis Gerard Heaton<br>Traditional Mass <b>St John's</b> 7.30pm— Intentions of Pope Francis  |   |
| Fri 8 Oct  | <i>28th Friday in Ordinary Time</i>    | Mass <b>St John's</b> 10.00am—Arun & Swany  |   |
| Sat 9 Oct  | <b>St John Henry Newman, Priest</b>    | Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Lydia Chambers  |   |
| Sun 10 Oct | <b>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>    | Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Brian Darbyshire (LD)<br>Mass <b>St John's</b> 11.00am—Thomas Joseph, Mathew Thomas, Mariya Joseph & Sosamma Mathew<br>Confessions <b>St John's</b> 3.45-4.15pm<br>Mass <b>St John's</b> 4.30pm—Parishioners<br>Parish Rosary via Zoom 6.30pm |   |

**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:**

John Heyes, Marie Green, Celia Marshall, Teresa Foster, Georgia Fradley, Joanna Lee, Colin Benfold, Albert Winstanley, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher, Tim Moran

**Please remember those who have died:**

Margaret Lawson

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Elizabeth Griffin, Eileen Mather, Joseph Stokes

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED:** Thomas Joseph, Mathew Thomas, Mariya Joseph & Sosamma Mathew, Patricia Kennedy (A), Gerard Howe, James & Agnes Howe, Margaret Howarth (A), Brian Darbyshire (LD)

**PRECAUTIONS DURING THE ONGOING PANDEMIC:** A reminder to everyone that face-coverings remain MANDATORY in church. We urge everyone to think about safeguarding the health of the whole parish community.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Emily Newton, baptised at St Patrick's today. Please remember Emily and her family in your prayers.

**ST PATRICK'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** We are gratefully receiving prize donations for the Christmas Raffle. This year, prizes will be **Bottles & Chocolates**. If you would like to donate, please place in the box at the back of church marked 'Raffle Donations'. If you have a donation but are not able to bring it with you to church, please contact Josh to discuss collection. All proceeds will go to the St Patrick's Refurbishment Fund. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**ST PATRICK'S READ AND RHYME TIME:** Stories, Rhymes and Songs - fun for babies, toddlers and carers. Free sessions on Friday mornings (Term Time), from 9am to 10am, at St Patrick's Presbytery (67 Hardybutts, Wigan, WN1 3RZ). No need to book a place, just drop in. For more information, contact Maureen (07845170856).

**GARDENING TEAMS:** **St John's Gardening Angels** meet every Monday 2-4pm. All are welcome to come and help. **St Patrick's Gardeners** meet every Tuesday at 10.30am. All are welcome. Please use the side gate.

**ST PATRICK'S LITTER PICK:** The next pick is Thursday 7th October at 5pm. All materials provided. If you can spare half an hour, please come along and help – everyone welcome.

**LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESE LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE 2022:** is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Young people, 15- 22 yrs, can apply from the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021, through the following website: [www.liverpool Lourdesyouth.co.uk](http://www.liverpool Lourdesyouth.co.uk).

**PARISH MEETINGS:** (see below) These will be our first meetings since the Pandemic – there's a lot to discuss. If you would like to send an item for the agenda, please email Father O'Shea at [stwilliam@rcaolp.co.uk](mailto:stwilliam@rcaolp.co.uk)

**ST JOHN'S RED BOXES:** the red box volunteers will be starting to collect your boxes again from October, please be aware that it may be that it will be a different volunteer than you are used to. Thank you to those parishioners who have continued to support the Mill Hill Missionaries throughout the pandemic it has been very much appreciated.

If you would prefer to donate to the Mill Hill Missionaries by a different way the details can be found below:

- (1) Send a cheque: made payable to 'Missio-Mil Hill' to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU
- (2) Give online: [www.missio.org.uk/redbox](http://www.missio.org.uk/redbox) (3) Give via text: Text REDBOX 5 to donate £5 or text REDBOX 10 to donate £10 to 70085 plus your standard rate message (4) Donate by telephone: call 020 7821 9755 during office hours to donate with credit/debit card (5) Donate by bank transfer: to Account name Missio, Sort Code 16 00 16, Account number 10824230, reference 'RB' and your postcode.

Alternatively, you may leave your Red Box / place the money from your Red Box in an envelop with your name on (there is no need to count it) in the container provided at the back of church. The Autumn newsletter is available at the back of church please feel free to take a copy. For further assistance please contact Marcella on 07792900657.

### Dates for your diary...

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| Wednesday 6th Oct<br>7pm Lappin Room, St Patrick's    | <b>ST PATRICK'S OPEN FORUM MEETING:</b> Come along and share your views—topics submitted so far include discussing future social events; the starting of the Ladies Group, other groups and general updates. Everyone is welcome.   |
| Thursday 7th October<br>7.30pm<br>St John's Church    | <b>TRADITIONAL MASS:</b> This Thursday, the feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, we resume celebrating Holy Mass in its Traditional Form (Latin) at St John's at 7.30pm. Mass Books will be available, providing the English translation of the prayers and beautiful explanations of the ceremony of the Traditional Mass. During the Mass the Readings will be proclaimed in English |
| Wednesday 13th Oct<br>6.30pm Campbell Room, St John's | <b>FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S MEETING:</b> There is a long list of items on our agenda so please come along to have your say and get involved in our community. Everyone is welcome, even if you have never been before!  |
| Saturday 20th—<br>Sunday 21st Nov                     | Our parish's <b>Quarant'Ore</b> (Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) will be at St Patrick's from the morning of Saturday, until the evening of Sunday, - the feast of Christ the King.   |
| Friday 17th Dec<br>7pm-11.30pm                        | <b>St Patrick's Christmas Night</b> Raffle, DJ, Christmas Fun in Whelley Legion. More information will follow in the coming weeks. All proceeds to the St Patrick's Refurbishment Fund.   |
| Sat 22nd Oct—29th<br>Oct 2022                         | A 7-night <b>pilgrimage to Rome</b> , flying from Manchester. More details soon.  |



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