



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

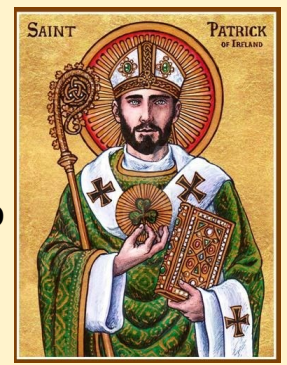
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## Sunday 19th September 2021 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name,

welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.' **Mark 9:30-37**

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### Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 19 Sep	<b>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Mary & Ernest Halliwell Mass <b>St John's</b> 11.00am—Parishioners Confessions <b>St John's</b> 3.45-4.15pm Mass <b>St John's</b> 4.30pm—Sylvia & Joe Devine Parish Rosary via Zoom 6.30pm
Mon 20 Sep	<i>St Andrew Kim Taegon &amp; Paul Chong Hasang</i>	Mass <b>St John's</b> 8.30am—Special Intention
Tue 21 Sep	<b>St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist</b>	Eucharistic Adoration <b>St Patrick's</b> 6.15-7.15pm Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 7.30pm—Mavis Ashurst (LD)
Wed 22 Sep	<i>Week 25 of Ordinary Time</i>	Eucharistic Adoration <b>St John's</b> 8.45-9.45am Mass <b>St John's</b> 10.00am—Ron Davis
Thur 23 Sep	<i>St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</i>	Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Thomas Dunn Jnr (LD) Requiem <b>St Patrick's</b> 2.00pm for Raymond Seddon
Fri 24 Sep	<b>Our Lady of Walsingham</b>	Mass <b>St John's</b> 10.00am—Joseph & Vincent Higgins
Sat 25 Sep	<i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Louisa Hill (A)
Sun 26 Sep	<b>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Mass <b>St Patrick's</b> 9.15am—Gerard Ashton Mass <b>St John's</b> 11.00am—Brian Rignall (A) Confessions <b>St John's</b> 3.45-4.15pm Mass <b>St John's</b> 4.30pm—Parishioners 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.

(A) - anniversary (LD) - lately dead

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

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

**Please remember those who have died:**

Raymond Seddon



**ANNIVERSARIES:** Albert Summers, Louisa Hill, Richard Lowe, Derek Goulding, Francis Jolley, Albert Clough, Terence Byrne

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED:** Winifred Mary Critchley (A), Albert Summers (A), Jack Deakin (LD), Brian Darbyshire (LD) Thomas Dunn Jnr (LD), Mavis Ashurst (LD), Louisa Hill (b/day), Gerard Howe

**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 Matilda Grace Patsy Fillingham, Kobi Patrick Howe-Moss, baptised at St John's today. Please remember them and their family in your prayers.

**MARTIN FYLES:** Our Seminarian, Martin, has been with us for the past five weeks, both on our pilgrimage to Walsingham and working in the parish. Many parishioners have said how much they have enjoyed his visits to their homes and his work with the children in school. Fr O'Shea too has appreciated having good company in the presbytery. Martin leaves us to return to his studies in Rome this week. We wish him well and assure him of our prayers. There will be a retiring collection after Masses this Sunday to help him on his way.

**TRADITIONAL MASS:** Before the pandemic began Mass in its Traditional Form was celebrated at St John's on Thursdays at 7.30pm. With the Archbishop's permission Fr O'Shea hopes to resume celebrating the Thursday evening Mass in a few weeks time. We hope there will be a good weekly attendance and also several people willing to serve the Mass. If you have not served the Traditional Mass before but would like to learn, please contact Fr O'Shea.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Our parish's Quarant'Ore (Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) will be at St Patrick's from the morning of Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup> until the evening of Sunday, Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, the feast of Christ the King.

**ANOTHER DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** A 7-night pilgrimage to Rome, flying from Manchester. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>—Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2022. More details soon. If you are interested—save the date!

**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:** This Thursday from 5:30pm.

**EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS:** A photograph of the relic, which was on the altar during Tuesday evening Mass last week, has been uploaded to the St Patrick's Facebook Page.

**ST PATRICK'S CHRISTMAS NIGHT:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December (7pm-11:30pm) - Raffle, DJ, Christmas Fun in Whelley Legion. More information, including ticket prices and raffle prizes, will follow in the coming weeks. All proceeds to the St Patrick's Refurbishment Fund. Please save the date!

**BETTER SOUND AT ST JOHN'S:** Anyone who has been to St John's Church in the last week or so will have experienced the new sound system that has been installed. I'm sure you'll agree it is a great improvement. Any feedback (pardon the pun) is most welcome!

**OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM FEAST DAY:** Is this Friday. A candle, that one of our parishioners bought on our recent pilgrimage to Walsingham, will burn for all your intentions this week in the Lady Chapel at St John's. If any of our pilgrims have photos from our recent pilgrimage to share, please email/send to Chris so that he can add them to the gallery on our parish website: 07712552410 or [cjhiggins72@aol.com](mailto:cjhiggins72@aol.com)

**LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESE LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE 2022:** is taking place next year Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022. any young people, aged 15- 22 years, interested in joining, are asked to apply from the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021, through the following website: [www.liverpool Lourdesyouth.co.uk](http://www.liverpool Lourdesyouth.co.uk).

The St Bernadette Team: is a group of older pilgrims, 18 years or over, who accompany the pilgrimage as helpers and carers for those needing assistance. Applications from [www.animateyouth.org](http://www.animateyouth.org) from 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

**ST JOHN RIGBY COLLEGE OPEN EVENTS:** the 'outstanding post-16 Catholic College' is promoting open days ahead of January 2022 prospective applications and Autumn 2022 admissions. The events are taking place on: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September - 4.30pm to 7.30pm. Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October - 10.00am to 1.00pm. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October - 4.30pm. to 7.30pm.



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