

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

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Sunday 18th August 2024 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 18 Aug	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Joseph Howe (A) Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Parishioners, followed by a Parish Coffee Morning in honour of Fr Martin Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm
Mon 19 Aug	St John Eudes, Priest	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Kathleen & Terry Latham (A) Gardening St John's 2.00-4.00pm
Tue 20 Aug	St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor	Gardening St Patrick's 10.30am Requiem Mass St Patrick's 1.30pm for Michael Lundy Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Andrezey Suktus
Wed 21 Aug	St Pius X, Pope	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Tom Smith (LD) Keep in Touch St Mary's Presbytery 1.30-3.00pm All welcome
Thur 22 Aug	Our Lady, Mother and Queen	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Gerard Ashton
Fri 23 Aug	St Rose of Lima, Virgin	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Parishioners Requiem Mass St Patrick's 11.30am for Michael Timoney
Sat 24 Aug	St Batholomew, Apostle (Feast)	Holy Mass (Sunday Vigil) St Mary's 5.00pm —Alan Greene (A)

Sunday 25th August 2024 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sun 25 Aug	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Margaret McNulty, followed by Coffee Morning Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Francis Thomas Dorgan & Philomena Elizabeth Dorgan (A) Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm
Mon 26 Aug	Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Annama Gardening St John's 2.00-4.00pm
Tue 27 Aug	St Monica	Gardening St Mary's 9.30am Gardening St Patrick's 10.30am Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Mothers' Day Remembrance
Wed 28 Aug	St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —The Souls in Purgatory
Thur 29 Aug	The Beheading of St John the Baptist	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Sean O'Donnell
Fri 30 Aug	St Edmund Arrowsmith, Martyr	Requiem Mass St John's 10.00am for James Holt
Sat 31 Aug	St Aidan, Bishop, and the saints of Lindisfarne	Parish Walk— The Three Sisters at 11.00am Bring a packed lunch! Holy Mass (Sunday Vigil) St Mary's 5.00pm —John & Lilian Smith
Sun 1 Sep	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Susan Naylor Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Tom & Teresa Carney, with Children's Liturgy Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: For 10 minutes after each weekday Mass and at St Mary's from 4.15-4.45pm on Saturday

SUMMER SCHEDULE: During the summer there is a reduced number of Masses—please check the newsletter for all Masses. If they are not listed they are not taking place.

ST MARY'S CHURCH: is open for private prayer during the day—10.30am -5.30pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 10.00am - 4.00pm on Thursday; 2.00pm -6.00pm on Saturday and until Midday on Sunday.

† PLEASE NOTE THIS NEWSLETTER IS FOR TWO WEEKS †

PLEASE NOTE that items for the newsletter should be emailed to news_items20@aol.com by Thursday 8pm at the latest.

Please pray for those who are sick: Anne Davies, Agnes Kelly, Angela Parkinson, Lisa Burke, Doreen Edwards, Margaret Connelly, Margaret Ashall; Beatrice Taylor, Wendy Leggett, Colin Benfold, Archbishop Emeritus Patrick Kelly, Fr Peter Hannah, Winifred Langin, Carol Green, Shirley Leggett, Karen Leggett, Dorothy Hutson, Leanna Mason, Anne Lawson, Kathleen Burke, Sheila Parkinson, Anthony Rutter, Albert Winstanley, Arthur Harrison-Scott, Celia Marshall, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Michael Lundy, James Holt, Michael Timoney, Norah Fenton **RIP**

Please remember in your prayers: The people of Israel & Palestine; the people of Ukraine and Russia, Haiti & the Sudan. The children killed in Southport, their families and emergency services involved.

Praying with the Pope: In August we pray for political leaders. Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor. A video message from Pope Francis can be found on the homepage of our parish website.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Hughes, Philomena Gleeson, Joe Devine, Marion Higgins, Theresa Carney, Joseph Howe, Kathleen & Terry Latham, Alan Greene, Francis Thomas Dorgan & Philomena Elizabeth Dorgan,

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Francis Thomas Dorgan & Philomena Elizabeth Dorgan (A), Thomas McGann, Michael Timony, Gerard Howe, Margaret Atkinson, Michael & Jane McMahon, James Sinclair.

WELCOME TO FR MARTIN FYLES: who is saying both Masses today. After Mass he will be available to give first blessings. There will then be a parish 'celebration' at St John's after the 11.00am Mass. Thank you to St Patrick's for providing the cake for Fr Martin to cut! Everyone is most welcome and Fr Martin is looking forward to seeing you there for a chat.

NOTICE ABOUT ST MARY'S HALL: Unfortunately, we have had to close the hall and restrict access to the building with immediate effect. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. Should you have any personal belongings or equipment within the building, please contact the Archdiocese of Liverpool, Surveying & Property Section on 0151 522 1000, and they will be able to assist you. This announcement is not related to the consultations which have gone on, and will not affect the decision-making process. It is a question of health and safety, and therefore of protecting those using the building.

YEAR OF PRAYER—ADOREMUS LIVERPOOL: there will be coach leaving Wigan on Saturday 21 September to arrive at the Cathedral by 11.00am. There is Eucharistic Adoration throughout the day, along with opportunity for Confession, Workshops, Holy Hour and Procession and Holy Mass at 5.00pm celebrated by Bishop Tom Neylon. Please sign up for the coach at the back of church. If you want to take part in a Workshop please sign up through the Archdiocesan website (use QR code). There are flyers at the back of church with more details. You will need to bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be available throughout the day. You are free to take part in as much or as little of the day. Our Children's Liturgy Team from St John's will be leading the Children's Liturgy at the 5.00pm Mass. If you would like to volunteer to be a welcomer during the day or help with tea and coffee in the Gibbard Room (1 hour slots), please speak to Chris Higgins (asap).

PARISH WALK: our next walk is on Saturday 31st August starting at 11.00am at The Three Sisters WN4 8DD. Bring your lunch.

FUNDRAISING FOR NEW PARISH LECTIONARIES: Join us on Friday 6th September, at St Patrick's Rugby Club, for a Parish of Saint William Fundraiser Evening to support the cost of the new Lectionaries. The Evening will include: live music from the Medley Men; a DJ; hot food; a raffle and lots of dancing, laughter and fun! Tickets are priced at £10. For the Fundraiser Evening in September are now being gratefully received. Please deposit these in the box at the back of St Patrick's Church.

St MARY'S GARDENING GROUP will not be meeting this Tuesday. We hope to see everyone next Tuesday at 9.30am as usual.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE: The balance is now due. Please place your £260 in an envelope marked 'Walsingham' along with your name and hand into Chris or Josh. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST PATRICKS: If you are a teacher or have a background in Catholic education (serving or retired) and would be interested in overseeing the Children's Liturgy during the 9:15am Sunday Mass at St Patrick's, please would you have a chat with Josh? Similarly, if you would like to be a helper, please give him your name so we can begin the necessary safeguarding checks.

'WELCOME' COFFEE MORNING: It has been wonderful to see so many new families and faces in the congregation at St Patrick's over the last few months. We warmly invite all new parishioners to join us for our next Coffee Morning on Sunday 25th August, in the Lappin Room, where we would like to welcome you.

ST PATRICK'S KEY-HOLDERS: There will be an important meeting, after Mass on Tuesday 27th August, in the Lappin Room. If you are a key-holder, please try to attend. If you are unable to, please speak to Josh as soon as possible.

PILGRIMAGE MASS TO THE HOLY HAND OF ST. EDMUND ARROWSMITH: The annual Mass will take place at the Church of St Oswald & St Edmund Arrowsmith, Liverpool Road, Ashton-in-Makerfield, WN4 9NP on Sunday 25th August at 3.00pm. The Principal Celebrant will be Bishop Tom Neylon. Mass will be followed by A Blessing with the Holy Hand. All are welcome.

Dates for your diary...

Thursday 5th September 7.00pm	St Patrick's Ladies' Group meeting in the Lappin Room. All ladies welcome!
Friday 6th September 7.30pm	Parish Fundraising Evening for new Lectionaries at St Patrick's Rugby Club. Save the date!
Monday 9th September 7.00pm	St Patrick's Men's Group meeting in the Lappin Room. All men welcome!
Thursday 12th September 9.30am	St Patrick's Primary School Start of Year Mass. All welcome.
Saturday 14th Sept 10am—1pm	St Vincent de Paul Fundraising Coffee Morning at St John's
Saturday 21st September	Adoremus —a day of Eucharistic Pilgrimage at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral
Sunday 22nd September	MacMillan Coffee Morning in the Lappin Room after the 9.15am Mass at St Patrick's
Sunday 6th October 2.00pm	Rosary Sunday - Organised by the Wigan & District Catholic Men's Society. Venue tbc
Mon 21st—Thurs 24th October	Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham