



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

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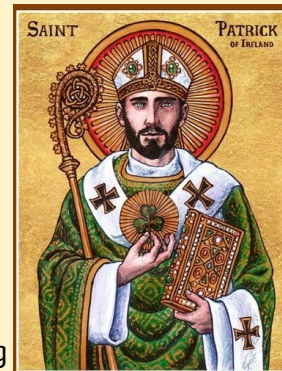
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Sunday 24th March 2024 – Palm Sunday

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Parish Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 24 March	Palm Sunday	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Michael Pitcher Jnr (sick) Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Canon John Campbell (A) Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Lenten Reflection led by St John's Children's Liturgy Group St John's 6.30pm Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm
Mon 25 March	Monday of Holy Week	Holy Mass (Lenten Mass for SMSJ School) St John's 10.00am —Jack Everett Gardening at St John's 2.00-4.00pm
Tue 26 March	Tuesday of Holy Week	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Arun & Swany's Intentions Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Winifred Langin (sick)
Wed 27 March	Wednesday of Holy Week	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Mark Chadwick (A) Chrism Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral, Liverpool 7.30pm —(i) Parents bereaved by suicide, (ii) The Gaskell Family Coach leaves St John's 5.30pm and St Patrick's 5.45pm

THE SACRED TRIDUUM



Thu 28 March	Maundy Thursday	Morning Prayer of the Church St John's 9.00am Mass of the Lord's Supper St John's 7.30pm - (i) Catherine Duffy (A), (ii) Clare Pullford (LD) followed by Watching, concluding with Night Prayer at 10.00pm
Fri 29 March	Good Friday	Morning Prayer of the Church St John's 9.00am Stations of the Cross and Veneration of the True Cross St Patrick's 11.00am Celebration of the Lord's Passion St John's 3.00pm
Sat 30 March	Holy Saturday	Morning Prayer of the Church St John's 9.00am Swięconka—Traditional Blessing of the Baskets St Patrick's Church 12.00noon The Easter Vigil St John's 8.00pm —(i) Private Intention (SA), (ii) Annamma Abraham, followed by refreshments in the Campbell Room
Sun 31 March	Easter Sunday	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Fr Ron McGivern (†B), followed by Coffee Morning in the Lappin Room Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Birthday Thanksgiving Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm

(A) - anniversary
(LD) - lately dead
(†B) - birthday remembrance

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

BAPTISM: This Sunday are at St Patrick's. Please pray for Sienna Roe, Sophia Roe & Skylar Mae Roe and their family.

Please pray for those who are sick: Winifred Langin, Fr Johnson, Carol Green, Beatrice Taylor, Kevin Murphy, Shirley Leggett, Karen Leggett, Dorothy Hutson, Leanna Mason, Anne Lawson, Kathleen Burke, Caroline Vasquez, Sheila Parkinson, Anthony Rutter, Arthur Harrison-Scott, Celia Marshall, Albert Winstanley, Paul Fairhurst, Michael Pitcher.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Fr Barry McAllister R.I.P.

ANNIVERSARIES: Canon John Campbell, Rita Travis, Elsie Dorgan, Mark Chadwick, Catherine Duffy, William Dobson, Michael Connell, Robert Moran, Valerie Moran, Rita Breheny, Gillian Aspinall, Patrick Farrell, Frank Clossick, Rose Ann Gavaghan, Vincent King, Clifford Daniels, Susan Goulding, Steven Rourke, Margaret Hughes.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Birthday Thanksgiving, Private Intention (SA), Thanksgiving to St William, Arun & Swany's Intentions, Annamma Abraham, Ellen McGann, Gerard Howe, Winifred Langin.

HOLY WEEK AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM: ‘Christ redeemed humankind and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: dying he destroyed our death and rising he restored our life. Therefore the Easter triduum of the passion and resurrection of the Lord is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. Thus the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of preeminence in the liturgical year that Sunday has in the week.’ GNLV 18

Please see the front of the newsletter for the services and Masses that take place during this most holiest of weeks. Of particular importance are those services and Masses of the Sacred Triduum. Please come along and celebrate with us if you are able. Please note there are two Mass Intentions for the Chrism Mass and Triduum Masses as both Fr O’Shea and Fr Hugh will be celebrating these Masses.

FAITH REFRESHER COURSE: No meeting this Wednesday. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3rd at 6.30pm in St John’s Presbytery. We’ll be talking once again about Baptism. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISM MASS AT THE METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL: The coach will leave St John’s at 5.30pm on Wednesday and St Patrick’s at 5.45pm. There are still a couple of places left on the coach—please speak to Chris on 07712552410 for a place. Cost £10. Thanks.

ST MARY AND ST JOHN PRIMARY SCHOOL’S LENTEN MASS: takes place during Holy Week at 10.00am on Monday 25th March in St John’s Church (not Wednesday as advertised last week—apologies!)

ST JOHN’S CHILDREN LITURGY GROUP: will lead a Lenten Reflection (based on The Tale of Three Trees) next Sunday (24th) at 6.30pm. All are most welcome. Please see the poster in Church.

ST JOHN’S CHILDREN’S LITURGY: will take place both on Easter Sunday at the 11.00am Mass and the week after on Sunday 7th April (our usual week).

QUARANT’ORE: The Watching list is now at the back of St John’s Church. Please sign up to spending time with the Lord. The time slots are broken into 30 minutes. It is important to make a note of your time slot.

PARISH ROAMING RAMBLERS: Our next walk will be on Saturday 13th April, starting at 1.00pm. This will be a circular walk and will start at Wigan Pier taking in Scotman’s Flash and Wigan Nature Reserve. Please note the change of start time—it may be advisable to have an early lunch this time, before we walk, as there may not be the opportunity for a decent lunch stop on this one!

AGAPE: Our local ecumenical group invites you to come to an Agape service at St Michael’s on Monday 25th March at 7.30pm. All are welcome. If you plan to join us, please ring Steve Atherton on 07740008970 so that we can provide enough hot cross buns!

ST JOHN’S EASTER RAFFLE: tickets will be on sale from this Sunday. There is one prize—a Marks and Spencer’s Hamper. The winning ticket will be drawn by the Children’s Liturgy on Sunday 7th April.

PRIVATE PRAYER DURING HOLY WEEK: Although not in its usual term-time routine, St Patrick’s Porch will continue to open Monday-Thursday this week; from 8:30am-3:30pm. Do try to take advantage of this time of prayer, with Our Lord, this Holy Week.

CARE FOR CREATION CONFERENCE: Photographs of the Holy Mass at St Patrick’s and the Conference at St Patrick’s Primary School are available to view. Please visit: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/liverpoolcatholic/albums>

ST PATRICK’S MEN’S GROUP: Photographs of Thursday’s Social, to celebrate St Patrick’s Patronal Feast, are available to view on the Church Facebook Page. Please see below, in Diary Dates, for our next meetings.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER: please note that items for the newsletter should be emailed to news_items20@aol.com by Thursday 8pm at the latest. Thank you

Dates for your diary...	
Thursday 4th April 7.00pm	St Patrick’s Ladies’ Group Meeting in the Lappin Room
Sat 6th April—Sun 7th April	Quarant’ore 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration will be held at St John’s Church
Thursday 11th April 7.00pm	St Patrick’s Mens’ Group meeting in the Lappin Room. All men welcome.
Tuesday 16th April 6.00pm	Planning meeting for the Jubilee Year in the Campbell Room at St John’s
Saturday 20th April 10am-2pm	Removal Morning at St Patricks, organised by the St Patrick’s Mens’ Group. All help welcome!
Saturday 20th April 7.30pm	Wigan Choral Society present Faure’s Requiem and Rutter’s Requiem (with Orchestra) £10
Sunday 21st April 12 noon	SVP Meeting —St John’s Campbell Meeting after 11.00am Mass
Wednesday 1st May 2.00pm	Talk: ‘ The Hospice—Its work and Ideals ’ by Chris Swinton St John’s Campbell Room
Saturday 11th May 10.30am	St Mary and St John’s First Holy Communion Mass at St John’s
Sunday 12th May	May Procession and Crowning of Our Lady at the end of the 11.00am Mass at St John’s
Saturday 18th May 10.00am	St Patrick’s First Holy Communion Mass at St Patrick’s
Friday 24th May 1.45pm	Procession of Our Lady’s Statue , Banners and Children’s Artwork from St Patrick’s Primary School into Church, followed by 2pm Crowning Service.
Friday 31st May 2024	Day Walk to Ladyewell from St John’s Church. Holy Mass on arrival. More details soon...
Sunday 2nd June 5.00pm	Trip to Opera by Candlelight at St George’s Hall, Liverpool (see Ruth for details)
Saturday 8th June 10.00am	St William’s First Holy Communion Mass at St Patrick’s
Saturday 13th July	The Priestly Ordination of Martin Fyles at the Metropolitan Cathedral. Save the date.