

Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

26th September 2021 & 3rd October 2021

26th & 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

**“Listen!
I am standing
at the door
knocking.”**
Rev 3:20



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Office Manager
Heather Harrison

There will be a retiring collection this week, 26th September for: **SVP**
There will be a collection **next** week for: **CAFOD**
CAFOD envelopes are available in church this week.

THANK YOU

PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE IS CLOSED 24th SEPT to 1st OCT INCLUSIVE

Holy Michael, the Archangel.

Defend us in this day of battle.

Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray.

And do thou Prince of the Heavenly Host,

by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits

who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.

Amen.

This prayer was composed by Pope Leo XIII in 1884 after he experienced a deeply disturbing mystical experience in his private chapel celebrating Holy Mass. He said that this prayer should be said throughout the world, as it would safeguard the Church against Satan and his legions. The prayer was discontinued from being said after Mass in 1964.

Yet 30 years later Pope John Paul II in his Regina Coeli address revived the use of the prayer. He said, ***“Although this prayer is no longer recited at the end of Mass, I ask every one not to forget it and to recite it to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness and against the spirit of the world.”***

As we enter the month of October we remember the angels of God, so let us implore them to defend us and protect us from the evil in our world today.

Fr. Mark Moran, Parish Priest.

We pray for those who have died,

Mary Keelan

Those whose funerals are next week.

Joseph Holian, Ann Roylance, Frances Standen, Benjamin Rudge



Baptism

Please welcome these children who we have baptised this month Please pray for them.

Bennett Peisarevicius
Shay Stephen Paul Wycherley
Freddie Brian Myler
Hannah Graham
Dottie Glover
Eleanor Lily Nolan-Green
Frankie Joyce Harris
Tommy Alan Gamble
Reign James Jones
Thomas Matthew McGarry
Colbie Valentina East
Harriet Bernadette Johnson



Emily Diane Doyle
Lucia Louise Neild
Archie Peter Loftus
Daisy Elizabeth Black
Jude Lawrence Holland
Luca Stephen Holland
Luca Barrett
Bobby Derry Radford
Lillie-Mae Bennett
Susie Rose Faulkner
Lillie Patricia Harmon
Eliza Coward

Times of Prayer at Holy Family, Cronton

HOLY SOULS' PRAYER GROUP

Each Tuesday at 7pm in the presbytery. To pray for the Holy Souls and ask their intercession.

CENACLE OF OUR LADY

Each Thursday at 7pm in the presbytery. Praying and meditating using the Rosary.

If you require any further information, please contact Fr. Michael on 424 2129.

Widnes Foodbank gratefully receives donations of any food items but would particularly welcome donations of the following food items:

Sponge Puddings	Biscuits	Cleaning Products	Packet Pasta 'n' Sauce
Men's Toiletries	Instant Rice	Tinned Ham/Spam	Tinned Custard

Any additional information can be found at: www.widnesfoodbank.org.uk

Thank you to anyone who can make a donation.

Wednesday Word - <http://wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm>

Catholic Pictorial - <http://www.catholicpic.co.uk/>

Please pray for **John Richards & Margaret Swift** and all in the parish who are sick at this time.

Volunteer drivers needed for HALTON COMMUNITY TRANSPORT
No special qualifications, just a clean driving licence.
Contact Colette or Ste on 0151 257 2410

MASS INTENTIONS.

The following Masses have been said by the priests this month:

Residents of all our care homes x 5
Philomena McAndrew
Roni Murray
Mgr. Charles Glass-B'day remb.
William (Billy) Scott
Alan Golson LD
David Brady LD
Patricia Rhodes
Catherine Nolan LD
Sheila Mannion
Parishioners of the Parish X 5
Billy Scott LD
John & Margaret Colford
Anne Lake LD x 2
For successful operation
Jean Hancock x 2
Anastasia Bryan Ann.
Sheila Connolly – Ann & B'day remb.
Romain Dyas LD
Mary Hanrahan LD
Elsie Wilcox LD
Winnie Doyle – 3rd Ann
Jim Barrow – 7th Ann.
Barbara Clarke (nee Thornett) – 4th Ann.
Mary Elizabeth Golson -B'day remb
Joseph Davies
Brian McCann LD
Margaret Houghton LD
Patricia Mary King -17th Ann.
Christina Sumner x 2 -15th Ann.
Thomas Snee LD
Christopher Slavin
Hilda Gittens
For everyone who kept our parish alive during Covid

Lil Nelson – 22nd Ann.
Margaret Gilbert LD
Tommy McCarthy – B'day
Anthony Thompson LD
Bridget Butler LD
Cath Council LD
Christopher McMahan LD
Brian Connaughton LD
Thomas Snee LD
George Giles
Margaret Gilbert x2
Nellie Fay
A special Intention (JC)
Ann Catherine Hurst – 1st Ann.
Mary Rath
Sheila Mannion LD
Thomas Gandy – B'day remb.
James Michael O'Brien – sickness & O'Brien family
Anthony Austin x 4
SVP (Members, associates & family)
Mrs Hewitt – Ann.
Barbara Joan Pierce LD
George, Mary & Gerald Dunn - Ann
Margaret Wilson – 10th Ann.
Tommy Douglas – 18th Ann.
Margaret & Gerald Gornall
John, Nancy & Albert Barrow – Ann.
Helen Donovan LD
Patricia Allen LD
Thomas Brodin



Mass Intentions



Office Manager

St Wilfrid's Parish, Widnes
35 hours per week, Monday to Friday, 9.00am-5.00pm
Salary £23,000.00 per annum
25 days holiday plus pension scheme available

An opportunity is available for a highly skilled and experienced Office Manager to provide effective leadership and financial and administrative support to the associated parishes of St Wilfrid's, Widnes.

This is a permanent post, and will be based at St Bede's Presbytery, Appleton Village, Widnes.

Reporting to the designated Parish Priest, you will be required to communicate and provide updates in respect of daily activity across the parishes whilst ensuring the smooth running of the parish office. You will supervise a part time administrator to include allocation of work tasks in accordance with the needs of the parish.

Applicants must have; strong leadership skills, excellent verbal and written skills, strong IT skills to include website maintenance, experience of working in a busy office and undertaking a broad range of tasks, the ability to work unsupervised and an ability to travel across the Widnes Deanery as required.

You must also have empathy with the ethos and mission of the Roman Catholic Church and a commitment to the work of the parish, pastoral area, schools, the local community and other parish groups.

Informal Enquiries should be directed to Heather Harrison, Office Manager on 0151 422 1772

Closing Date: Friday 1st October 2021

This post is not subject to a disclosure and barring service check

To apply, visit www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/jobs
Alternatively, ring 0151 522 1102, for an application pack

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parish Choir of St. Wilfrid

Monday 4th October at 7.00pm in St. Bede's church. Everyone is very welcome even if you have not sung before, or been part of this group previously, or are only able to come along occasionally.

October Talks - 'Hope, Faith, Charity and Love'

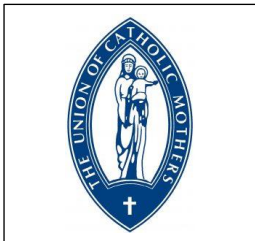
During the month of October, we have invited different speakers to come and share with us the fruits of their prayer and reflections. Each talk will start at **7.30pm** at **St. John Fisher Hall**, the talk will be approximately an hour and then refreshments will be served.

Monday 7th October – Fr. Sean Riley 'HOPE'

Monday 14th October – Fr. Mark Beattie 'FAITH'

Monday 21st October – Fr. Grant Maddock 'CHARITY'

Monday 28th October – Sr. Maria Natella O.P. 'LOVE'



Union of Catholic Mothers, U.C.M.

St. Wilfrid's Foundation, Widnes

On **Wednesday 13th October, 7.30pm** at **St. John Fisher Church**, the UCM would like to invite all the ladies of the parish to Holy Mass to pray specifically for marriage and family life in our parish community. Please come along and pray!

Aims and Objectives of the Union of Catholic Mothers

1. To help Catholic women to appreciate the Sacramental character, responsibilities and permanence of marriage and to live in unselfish love observing the laws of God and His Church.
2. To assist them to bring up their children as practising Catholics and public-spirited citizens.
3. To teach and defend Christian values in family life and ensure Catholic education for future generations.
4. To offer love, sympathy and practical help to the family in difficulty.
5. To foster vocations in life especially in Christian Marriage and Family Life and in the Priesthood and Religious Life.

ALL ladies of the parish, whether married, single or widowed are welcome to join the UCM, come along to the Mass and speak to one of the members and find out more!

CAFOD'S Harvest Fast Day

As we enter the last week of the Season of Creation, we are invited to give thanks to God for the gift of creation and the fruits of the earth which sustain us. Many churches and schools do this through Harvest Festivals – bringing the fruits of the earth and the work of human hands and sharing these offerings with those in need.

In the UK, for the last sixty years, the Catholic Church has marked harvest time by observing CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day on the first Friday in October. So, this coming Friday, 1 October, we are invited to give thanks by going without a meal or some form of amusement and giving what we save in this way to CAFOD. CAFOD uses our offerings to help those across the world who don't have access to the fruits of the earth because of extreme poverty, food shortages, conflicts and natural disasters.

You can find out more about this Friday's Fast Day here:

<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day>

Prayer for CAFOD'S Harvest Fast Day

Walk beside us, Lord,
in the cool of the day,
in the garden you have created
as our common home.

Walk beside us, Lord,
as the cries of the forest
pierce the dawn,
and flames rip through
our common home.

Grant us courage, Lord,
as we walk beside all those
who struggle to protect
our common home.

Grant us hope, Lord,
and the vision to walk dark paths
in the light of a single sunbeam.

Grant us grace, Lord,
to put the flourishing of all people
and the wonder of your creation
at the heart of all we do,
as we strive to be guardians
of our common home.

St Francis, pray for us

Steering groups that meet in the Parish of St. Wilfrid

Liturgy Group

The Liturgy Group meet on average every 6 weeks to discuss the liturgical life in the parish. As well as thinking of the coming seasons of the Church they bring ideas to offer to parishioners' new ways of deepening their relationship with Christ and His Church.

Members of the group at present are – Susan Warburton, Michael Wilcox, Barbara Norris, Barbara Jordan, Joan Lowe, Chris Noon, Denise Standen, Fr. Mark, Fr. Thomas and Fr. Thomas OP.

Building Group

The Buildings Group meet bi-monthly to discuss the maintenance and care of the buildings in the parish.

Members of the group at present are – Susan Warburton, Mike Volynchook, Heather Harrison, Peter McCann, Wayne Murray, Fr. Mark and Fr. Thomas OP.

Social Group

The Social Group look at things we can do as a parish for fun! This could be trips to the theatre, days out or anything that brings the community together to celebrate being part of our parish family.

Members of this group at present are – Susan Warburton, Barbara Norris, Marie Eaton, Cecilia Mc Mullen, Elaine Davies and Fr. Mark.

Please feel free to approach any member of these groups with ideas or comments that they can bring to the meetings that are held for the good of us all. Thank you to all who give their time, energy and expertise to these working groups. Your reward will be great in heaven!

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St. Wilfrid's Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon

We are currently looking at a parish pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine in Fatima and also to visit the shrine of St. Anthony of Padua in Lisbon next September. Below is the itinerary. At the moment we are **NOT** taking bookings, we are simply looking to see if there is any interest in the parish.

If you *might* be interested, then please just jot your name and telephone number on a piece of paper and pop it through the Parish Office door for the attention of **SUSAN WARBURTON**.

Once we gauge the interest we shall move forward.

Fr. Mark

DEPARTURE DATE: 11 Sept 22

RETURN DATE: 15 Sept 22

No: DAYS: 5

TOUR DESCRIPTION: Fatima & Lisbon

COST PER PERSON: £600.00 per person sharing, £725 single room.

COST INCLUDES: Return flights Manchester – Lisbon.
Airport duty & passenger taxes.
1 x suitcase for the air-craft hold, 20kgs.
4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast 4* Hotel Essence Inn, Fatima.
Full day excursion to Lisbon.
Northern Star Travel courier.

WHAT IS EXTRA: Travel insurance £45 per person, no age limit and no medical screening required.

Itinerary

11th September 2022

Depart from Manchester airport for the flight to Lisbon, on arrival reclaim your baggage & join the waiting coach for the transfer to the hotel in Fatima where we check in for 4 nights stay on dinner, bed & breakfast basis.

12th September 2022

After Mass our local guide will give you a tour of the Sanctuary taking in the Apparition Chapel, the Holy Trinity and the tombs of the 3 children. In the afternoon we walk the Stations of the Cross which brings us to Aljustrel where the children were born. The International Rosary & Torchlight procession will take place after dinner.

13th September 2022

Today's celebration will start with the Rosary and International Mass at 09.00am in the Little Chapel & the final celebrations for the Feast will conclude with the Concelebrating of the Eucharist & Blessing of the sick, consecration & "Adeus" – Farewell procession. The afternoon is free for private devotions.

14th September 2022

After Mass, there will be a full day excursion to Lisbon, on arrival we visit the Church which was built where St Anthony of Padua was born. There will then be a tour of the city before free time for lunch and shopping, on our return to Fatima we will visit Santarem where a Eucharistic Miracle took place in the 13th century, we return to Fatima for dinner.

15th September 2022

Mass will be celebrated after breakfast, there will be a visit to the Museum before the coach departs in the afternoon for the transfer to the airport where we join the flight back to Manchester.

THIS WEEKEND		TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)	
Saturday 25th Sept	11am	St Bede's	Confession
	5pm	St Michael's	Confession & Mass
	6pm	St Basil's	Mass
Sunday 26th Sept	9am	St Michael's	Mass
	9am	St Bede's	Mass
	10am	St John Fisher	Mass
	11am	St Bede's	Mass
	4pm	St Bede's	Mass
WEEKDAYS		DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 2	
Mon 27th September	9:30am*	St Basil's	Mass
Tues 28th September	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
	1pm	St Michael's	Funeral Service - Ann Roylance
Wed 29th September	7pm*	St Michael's	Mass
Thurs 30th September	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
	12 noon	St John Fisher	Requiem Mass - Frances Standen
Friday 1st October	9:30am*	St John Fisher	Mass
	1pm	St Bede's	Requiem Mass - Benjamin Rudge
*The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for 30 minutes before each Mass			
THIS WEEKEND		TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)	
Saturday 2nd October	11am	St Bede's	Confession
	5pm	St Michael's	Confession & Mass
	6pm	St Basil's	Mass
Sunday 3rd October	9am	St Michael's	Mass
	9am	St Bede's	Mass
	10am	St John Fisher	Mass
	11am	St Bede's	Mass
	4pm	St Bede's	Mass
WEEKDAYS		DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 3	
Monday 4th October	9:30am*	St Basil's	Mass
Tuesday 5th October	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Wed 6th October	7pm*	St Michael's	Mass
Thurs 7th October	12 noon*	St Bede's	Mass
Friday 8th October	9:30am*	St John Fisher	Mass
*The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for 30 minutes before each Mass			

St Marie's Heritage Group - Heritage Event & Get Together

Saturday 16th October 2021 (2pm till 4pm)

The St Marie's Heritage Group would like to welcome you back to St Marie's Church for another of our friendly Heritage Events and get togethers. Come & see old friends and enjoy a warm drink, a delicious biscuit and a good chat.

On the day, we'll be displaying the always popular Parish Mission Logs (or "The Books" as they've come to be known at our events). You can browse through all the handwritten parish notice books (or Mission Logs) from 1865 until the Church closed for worship. Find your family names recorded in a variety of ways – including marriage banns! These books are a rich source of history, being the written account of the priests' notices that were read from the pulpit at the end of Mass. You will be surprised at what you can discover.

We will try our very best to keep the building well ventilated. Facemasks are not compulsory, but you are very welcome to wear one if you would like to do so.

For further information, please call Matthew Roberts on 01928 592405 (Option 2).