

Please pray for . .

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR
AROUND THIS TIME

Joan Ashbrook, Sean Byrne
Margaret Campbell, Neil Carroll
Thomas Howley, Bill Quinn
Sally Quinn, Graham Smith
Elizabeth Walklett

*May all who sleep in Christ find in your
presence light, happiness and peace, through
Christ Our Lord. Amen*

ALSO THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Sister Charles, Colette Bartolo, Ellie Beaton,
Louise Boughey, Mary Bretherton, Tina Corkill,
Les Cowell, Sheila Cowell, Anita Dubique - Ashton,
Tony Dubique, Margaret Harrison, Jayne Heaton,
Jim and Pat Heffey, Pat Hindley, Marian Hodson,
Ken and Margaret James, Bernard Johnson,
Ruth Lightfoot, Angela Rawlins, Joan Redmond.

*God holds the whole world in his hands.
We ask him to embrace those who are sick
that they may be brought to a fullness of
health and life.*

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If anyone wishes to be visited by a Eucharistic
Minister to receive Holy Communion please
contact Fr Mark or Deacon Jim. Just email:

stpeter.woolston@rcaol.org.uk

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A Welcoming Prayer

Heavenly Father, in my dealings with other
people help me to be welcoming and sincere.
May I see everyone who crosses my path as
a brother or sister. Inspire me to share in the
grief and anxiety, the joys and the hopes of all
your people so that they may flourish in the
comfort of your unbounded love. I ask this in
the name of Jesus, Our Lord. Amen

No problem leaves you where it found you . .

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 23 March

6.30 pm The Graham Family; Frank Hawley

Sunday 24 March

Palm Sunday

11 am Neil Carroll; Rita Corless

Monday 25 March

7 pm All Holy Souls

Tuesday 26 March

9 am Mass in School

Wednesday 27 March

No Mass Chrism Mass at Cathedral

Thursday 28 March

Maundy Thursday

7.30 pm Mass of the Last Supper

Friday 29 March

Good Friday

3 pm Passion of Christ and Holy Eucharist

Saturday 30 March

7 pm Easter Vigil (People of the Parish)

EASTER SUNDAY 31 March

11 am Easter Sunday Mass

■ Please note changes of Mass times during Holy
Week. No morning Mass on Monday 25 March as
Year 4 schoolchildren will hold their Sacramental
Workshop in church at 6 pm, followed by them
leading Stations of the Cross at 6.30 pm and then
Mass begins at 7 pm. No Mass on Wednesday.

*If you wish to contribute to the cost of floral
decorations for our church at Easter there are
envelopes available in the porch which may be
placed on the offertory plate. Thank you.*

PARISH OF ST PETER & ST MICHAEL

Weir Lane, Woolston, Warrington

Newsletter

Sunday 24 March 2024

PALM SUNDAY (p.176)

Psalter Week 2



THIS IS HOLY WEEK

A WARM WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS

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On Palm Sunday . .

Lord Jesus Christ, our King and our Redeemer, in whose honour we bear these palms, be pleased to send down the grace of your blessings wherever these palms shall be taken.

Easter Triduum

Through his Easter Mystery, the Lord redeemed the human race. By dying he destroyed our death. By rising he restored our life. For this reason the Easter Triduum – when we celebrate the suffering, death and resurrection of Our Lord – is the high point of the liturgical year. Palms will be distributed at weekend Masses.

■ Please remember that Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence. A retiring collection will be taken for the upkeep of Holy Places after the Passion Service at 3 pm. Our Easter Offering is due on Sunday – don't forget your envelopes!

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE
OF RECONCILIATION**
7.30 pm on Tuesday 26 March
at St Oswald's, Padgate Lane

Family of Parishes Event

Our next Family of Parishes event will be Stations of the Cross at Stephen's on Saturday 23 March at 10 am, followed by tea, coffee and cake. Please put the date in your diary and come along if you're free. Our Family of Parishes include Blessed James Bell, St Peter's and St Stephen's.

Chrim Mass

This year's Chrim Mass will take place in the Cathedral on Wednesday 27 March. The coach will depart from St Oswald's at 6.10 pm and St Benedict's at 6.20 pm. The Mass usually ends by 9.15 pm so we should be back by 10 pm. Just phone St Benedict's (630127) to book a place. The fare is suggested at £5 per adult.

Offertory Envelopes

The new sets of offertory envelopes which we start using in April are laid out in alphabetical order on the front bench of our church for your collection. If you do not do this already, it is a good time to consider a gift aid declaration which means we can reclaim an extra 25p for each £1 donated if you are a taxpayer.

Parish 100 Club

The next draw will take place after 11 am Mass on Sunday 14 April. Please remember that payment of £3 per number must be made the week before the draw takes place.

Offertory Contributions

The recent figures will be printed as soon as they have been verified and made available for publication.



Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

This year's Liverpool Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be from 19-26 July. Make a note of the dates and add your name to the list in the church porch if you wish to join. The Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes is now open for applications for young people from Year 10 up to the age of 22, and it will cost £700. Please go to liverpoolourdesyouth.co.uk to apply. Places are limited so please apply soon!

Legion of Mary Campaign

We have been contacted by the Legion of Mary to see if we would have a team of up to 12 Legionaries in the parish. Their visit will be from Saturday to Saturday, 1-8 June, staying in parishioners' homes, enabling them to visit all houses in the parish. If you would be prepared to allow one (or more) of the Legionaries to stay at your home and provide them with bed and breakfast you will be paid £100. If you can accommodate any of them during their stay, please give your name to the parish email address or let Fr Mark, Deacon Jim or any parish council member know.

Warrington Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support for the Foodbank. They are short of jam and fruit juice at the moment if you can help.

■ St Joseph's Family Centre's 2023 Christmas appeal enabled over 300 Christmas food parcels to be sent out to families in December, plus 50 in January, supporting more than 800 children.

Children's Liturgy

Father Mark aims to start the Children's Liturgy on the first Sunday after Easter. At their last meeting the Parish Council established a sub-group to lead the Children's Liturgy once a month to begin with. Volunteer helpers needed.

A PRAYER FOR LENT

Help me, Lord, to live my faith. In the ordinary events of daily life make me merciful, poor in spirit and pure of heart. Teach me to hunger and thirst after justice, to be a channel of your peace and in times of mourning or sorrow to count on your comfort. O God, you showed us in the passion of your Son the way to eternal glory by the Way of the Cross. Grant that we may follow Him now, by our prayers, to share his triumph with Him for all eternity. Amen.

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LET US PRAY FOR THE CHURCH THAT IT MAY RECEIVE FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT THE GRACE AND STRENGTH TO REFORM ITSELF IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

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Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.