



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

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Sunday 30th June 2024 – Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles

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Parish Diary for the week ahead including Mass Intentions

Sun 30 June	Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Elizabeth & Marie Dobson (A) followed by Coffee Morning in the Lappin Room Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Annemarie & Christopher McAllister Golden Wedding Thanksgiving Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm	St Patrick's Church Porch Open 8.30am-3.30pm
Mon 1 July	<i>St Oliver Plunket, Bishop, Martyr</i>	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Charles Collier (b/day) Gardening St John's 2.00-4.00pm St Patrick's Men's Group Social 7.30pm Papa Luigi	
Tue 2 July	<i>13th week in Ordinary Time</i>	Holy Mass St John's 10.00am —Joseph Mathew (A) Gardening St Patrick's from 10.30am Eucharistic Adoration St Patrick's 6.15-7.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Margaret Mercer (LD)	
Wed 3 July	St Thomas, Apostle	Eucharistic Adoration St John's 8.45-9.45am Requiem Mass St John's 10.00am for Eileen Tonge Faith Refresher Course St John's Presbytery 6.00pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Thomas & Margaret Maye and Family	
Thur 4 July	<i>St Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	Y5 Stay and Pray in St Patrick's Infant Hall 9:05am-9:15am (note change of day) Holy Mass (Y2 attending) St Patrick's 9.15am —Stan Davies (sick) St Patrick's Ladies' Group Meeting The Lappin Room 7.00pm Traditional (Latin) Holy Mass St John's 7.30pm —The Gaskell Family	
Fri 5 July	<i>St Antony Mary Zaccaria, Priest</i>	Holy Mass (Y3 SMSJ attending) St John's 10.00am —Bob Mather Church Cleaning St John's after Mass First Friday Rosary St Patrick's 12.15pm Holy Mass St Patrick's 7.30pm —Michael J (B/day)	
Sat 6 July	<i>St Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr</i>	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Pat Maye (LD) First Saturday Rosary St John's 10.00am St Patrick's Summer Party Preparation 10.00am-11.30am St Patrick's Summer Party 2.00pm onwards Holy Mass (Sunday Vigil) St John's 5.00pm —Arun & Swany's Intentions	
Sun 7 July	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass St Patrick's 9.15am —Stanley Shepherd (A) Holy Mass St John's 11.00am —Derek Cusani (A), including Children's Liturgy Holy Mass St John's 4.30pm —Parishioners Parish Zoom Rosary 6.30pm	

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

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: this Sunday is at St John's: please pray for Matilda Ann Margaret Ducker and her family

Please pray for those who are sick: 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: Alison Jones **RIP**

ANNIVERSARIES: Gerrard Malley, Joseph Hughes, Elizabeth & Marie Dobson, Joseph Mathew, Catherine Connor, Harry Cunliffe, Martin Chambers, Patrick O'Donnell, Alice Gavaghan, Kathleen Alker, Annie Hooson, Bertha Winstanley, Alan Fairhurst, John Mitchell, Mary Hammond, Brian Rowe.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: Patricia Maye (LD), Joseph Mathew (A), Binu Joseph, Mathew Thomas, Teresa, Winifred Glover (A), Arun & Swany's Intentions, Stan Davies (sick), Pat Maye (LD), Gerard Howe, In thanksgiving Villanueva family, Julia Swift (LD)

GENERAL ELECTION: CAFOD and the SVP ask for your help to answer Pope Francis' call to support the most vulnerable by contacting your parliamentary candidates before the General Election. They've made it easy – just follow this link on CAFOD's website and you can use the prepared email or amend it, and when you send it, it will reach all your candidates: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/150354/action/1>. Cardinal Nichols and the Bishops Conference are urging us to voice our support for the most vulnerable and the environment too. Please also pick up a lilac sheet from the back of church—there are eight areas of importance that been identified. Please use these to question any candidates who come to your door or take them to any hustings you may be attending. We ask you to prioritise Migration & Assylum, Cost of Living Crisis and International Aid.

FAITH REFRESHER COURSE: This Wednesday at 6.30pm in St John's Presbytery we'll meet to reflect on: The Blessed Virgin Mary – 'Mother of God and our Mother.'

RETIRING COLLECTION: At the end of all Masses this weekend there'll be a Special Retiring Collection for Fr Martin. A priest's Ordination is a joyful event but it can also be an occasion of some expense. We hope our gift to Fr Martin will be a help to him at this time, as well as being an expression of our best wishes.

CONFIRMATION 2024: There will be a meeting for all those intending on being confirmed this year, at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday 6th July at 1:00pm. This is so that we can plan and run through the order of service for the Mass on Wednesday 10th July at 7:00pm (also at Sacred Heart). Could we ask that everyone brings with them the completed Confirmation Card (sent out previously by e-mail), giving the details of their baptism, sponsor details and indeed their chosen confirmation name. Could we also ask that all individuals bring with them their completed task sheets so that we can run through them covering any areas that need to be further explained or clarified. I look forward to meeting you all next Saturday, take care, many thanks. Deacon Mick.

THIS SUNDAY'S ZOOM ROSARY: This Sunday's Zoom Rosary (30th June) returns to the usual time of 6:30pm. We will be using the temporary login details: Meeting ID is 929 648 9658 and the Passcode is: b7YMe6. Please spread the word!

NEW LECTIONARIES: From the First Sunday of Advent a new, more accurate, translation of the scriptures will be used at Mass. We've ordered new People's Missals which will contain in one volume all the Sunday readings for Years A, B & C. If you would like to sponsor one of the Missals in memory of a loved one, all you have to do is hand in their name, together with your donation of £20 and indicate in which of our two churches you would like the Missal to be used. When the Missals arrive, in the Autumn, an inscription will be placed in the front of each, saying: 'Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of...'

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY AT ST PATRICKS: This week is the final opportunity to collect free tickets this Saturday's Garden Party (6th July). At St Patrick's, collect from Karen McLoughlin and at St John's, from Chris Higgins. Sincere thanks to those who have donated prizes and prepared Raffle hampers. A reminder to please bring your own food and beverages and to access the Party via the Side Gate on Patrick Street. There will be an hour of live music from the Medley Men, a raffle and lots of opportunity for dancing, laughter and fun. There will also be toys for our younger parishioners and visitors. Raffle proceeds will go towards St Patrick's Grounds and Maintenance Teams' equipment requests. All welcome! If you can help on the day to set up, please stay behind after that morning's 9:15am Mass.

ST MARY AND ST JOHN SCHOOL CHOIR: Sunday 23rd June was a joyful musical afternoon as we sang with a massed choir of over 500 junior voices and listened to young musicians perform as part of the Greater Manchester Music Hub Celebration Concert at The Bridgewater Hall. Our choir was invited this year, to represent the Wigan Authority and it was even more special as Matt Roughley, a former pupil of the school, was the musical director. It was a fantastic day and we are very proud of their fabulous performance to a sell-out audience. This special experience will be a lifetime memory for them and as a member of the choir said: 'It was awesome!'

WIGAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY ALLIANCE - LEARN TO TEACH LOCALLY: Please see the poster in the porch, about Wigan Catholic Primary Alliance, if you are interested in applying for this Initial Teaching Training Programme. The next Open Evening is this Monday, from 4pm, at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, WN1 3RZ.

MARTIN'S ORDINATION: there are TWO places left on the coach for 13th July, for anyone who would like to travel to the Cathedral where four candidates will be ordained to the priesthood including Martin Fyles, who was a student with is in the parish. The cost is £15 per person. Please contact Chris on 07712552410 if you would like a place.

THE KNEELERS AT ST PATRICKS: Over the last few weeks, a number of kneelers have been repaired in the church. If you have noticed an issue with a kneeler, please point out the particular bench to Josh as soon as possible so this can be addressed in the next round of repairs. Our grateful thanks to members of St Patrick's Mens' Group who have completed this task.

SUMMER MASS TIME CHANGE: We have been encouraged by the Archdiocese to adjust the number of weekend Masses during the Summer months, ie during the school holidays. Consequently there will be no 4.30pm Mass on the following Sundays: July 21st and 28th, August 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, September 1st. Back to normal on Sunday, September 8th.

Dates for your diary...	
Wednesday 10th July 7.00pm	Confirmation Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Wigan
Wednesday 17th July 6.00pm	St Mary's & St John's Leaver's Mass at St John's Church
Thursday 18th July 9.30am	St Patrick's Primary School's End of Academic Year Mass and Year 6 Leavers' Celebration
Saturday 10th August	Parish Retreat Day at Carmelite Monastery, Liverpool
Friday 6th September 7.30pm	Parish Fundraising Evening for new Lectionaries at St Patrick's Rugby Club. Save the date!
Saturday 14th Sept 10am–1pm	St Vincent de Paul Fundraising Coffee Morning at St John's

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