

ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

Holy Family, Platt Bridge

Sacred Heart, Hindley Green



THE PARISH BULLETIN



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SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST 2017

Day	Feast	Time and Place	Liturgy	Mass Intention	Collins Weekday Missal Page
Sunday 6th August	Feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord	Sat. 5.30pm (SH)	Mass	Catherine Cooper	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Edward Hoy	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Teresa Mills	
Mon 7th		7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Intentions of Jacob Dewhurst	699
Tues 8th	St. Dominic	10.00am (HF)	Mass	John Wiffen	702
Wed 9th	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	10.00am (SH)	Mass	Paddy Brierty	705
		3.00pm (Belong)	Mass	Parishioners	---
Thurs 10th	St. Lawrence	10.45am (HF)	Funeral Mass for Dorothy Dixon		---
Fri 11th	St. Clare	7.00pm (SH)	Mass	In Thanksgiving (A & V)	710
Sat 12th		11.00am (HF)	Mass	Jimmy Farrell	712
Sunday 13th August	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm	Mass	Intentions of Joan Baines	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Elsie Grundy	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Private Intention (E.F.)	
		Sun. 11.45am (HF)	Celebration of Baptism		

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS) Friday at 7.30pm (SH) and Saturday at 11.30am (HF)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday from 11.30am to 12 noon (HF)

MASS IN BELONG RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE Wednesday at 3.00pm in The Venue. All welcome.

THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK

Holy Family Collection: £383.13

Sacred Heart Collection: £557.00

Our thanks to the members of the Over 60's Friendship Club at Holy Family for a further donation of £150 to Holy Family Church funds.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday – Saint Dominic Dominic was born at Calaruega (Spain) about 1170 and died at Bologna (Italy) on 6 August 1221. He was noted for prayer, penance, and an exemplary life. In the violent time of the crusades he sought the reconciliation of Albigensian heretics through instruction and prayer. He established the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to revitalize the Church through study, teaching, preaching, and prayer. Dominic is remembered as a preacher, organiser, and patron of learning.

Wednesday – Saint Teresa Benedicta of The Cross Born Edith Stein in 1891 of Jewish parents, after studies at several German universities, she rose to become an influential teacher of philosophy. Following her conversion to Catholicism she became a Carmelite nun in 1933. Arrested by the Nazi regime in 1942 for her Jewish origins, she was sent to the death camp at Auschwitz and died in the gas chambers that same year.

Thursday – Saint Lawrence Lawrence died at Rome on this day in 258. He is honoured for his care of the poor and became, after the apostles, the most celebrated martyr of the Church of Rome. He is a patron saint of deacons.

Friday – Saint Clare Born at Assisi (Italy) in 1194, Clare died there on this day in 1253. From a well-to-do family, Clare embraced an evangelical way of life after hearing the preaching of Saint Francis of Assisi. She founded the Order of the Poor Ladies, now the Poor Clares. Clare is remembered for her life of extreme poverty, great austerity, and deep contemplation. Due to a vision she received, she is the patron saint of television!

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

Our congratulations and best wishes to those who will be celebrating First Anniversaries during this month:

Christopher and Catherine Featherstone (nee Sweeney) who were married at Sacred Heart Church by Father Strowbridge on the 6th of August 2016.

Isaac George Riding, son of Anthony and Louse Riding from Brecon Drive, Hindley Green who was baptised at Sacred Heart Church by Deacon Ken on the 14th of August 2016; Olivia Dennis, daughter of Ian and Donna Dennis of Crediton Drive, Platt Bridge who was baptised at Holy Family Church by Deacon Mike on the 21st of August 2016; Elliot Thomas Pilkington and Harry Daniel Pilkington and Emily Grace Pilkington, the children of Benjamin and Claire Pilkington from Smallbrook Lane, Leigh who were baptised at Sacred Heart Church on the 21st of August 2016 by Deacon Ken; Sonny William McVeigh, son of Marc and Kirsty McVeigh from Dixon Place, Abram who was baptised by Deacon Mike at Holy Family Church on the 28th of August 2016.

And we continue to hold in prayer before the Lord those whose First Anniversaries of Death occur during this month:

Rosalind Redmond of Athol Crescent, Hindley Green who died on the 1st of August 2016 aged 88 years; James Speakman of Crediton Drive, Platt Bridge who died on the 6th of August 2016 aged 72 years; Irene Dawber of Sycamore Avenue, Hindley Green who died on the 20th of August 2016 aged 84 years; and Patricia Sudell of Bickershaw Lane, Abram who died also on the 20th of August 2016 aged 76 years.

FAREWELL UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of:

Dorothy Dixon from Ruskin Crescent, Abram who died on the 2nd of August aged 66 years. Her funeral rites will be celebrated at Holy Family Church next Thursday at 10.45am prior to committal at Howe Bridge Crematorium.

Vincent Egan from Askwith Road, Hindley Green and the former President of Wigan & District Catholic Men's Society, who died last Thursday the 3rd of August. His funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

May the Lord welcome them home.

JOB VACANCIES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

There are vacancies for a Parish Administrator based at Our Lady of the Assumption in Gateacre (15 hours per week at £8.70 per hour, closing date next Friday 11th August) and for a Parish Administrator based at OL Help of Christians at Tarleton and Ss Peter and Paul at Mawdesley (Thursday and Friday 10.00am to 4.00pm, one day at each church, at £8.70 per hour, closing date Friday 18th August). For more information, job descriptions and an application form go to www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk and click on "Jobs"

HOLY FAMILY BONUS BALL WINNERS

July 5th – No. 04	July 12th – No. 18
July 19th – No. 42	July 26th – No. 30

REGULAR HAPPENINGS

Over the summer weeks, due to holiday arrangements, there may be some changes to the Regular Happenings. If you are interested in joining any of the advertised groups it may be an idea to telephone the contact number in advance to make sure the group is meeting in any particular week.

LINE DANCING - Monday afternoons at 1.00pm in Holy Family Parish Hall. Contact Sylvia Delargy on 521482.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP - Meets on Monday evenings at 7.00pm in Saint Wilfrid's Church, Bolton Road, Stubshaw Cross, Ashton. Contact Deacon Mike Swift on 01942 715177.

LEGION OF MARY - Tuesdays at 10.30am in Holy Family Church and Thursdays at 7.00pm in Sacred Heart Church. At Holy Family contact Mary Marsh on 701091. At Sacred Heart contact Susan Mines on 07952 822440

OVER 60's FRIENDSHIP CLUBS - Wednesdays at 12.30pm in Holy Family Parish Hall. Contact Kath Prior on 861995. Also on Wednesdays at 2.00pm in Sacred Heart Club. Contact Maureen Dalton on 253132.

BROWNIES & GUIDES - Wednesday in Holy Family Parish Hall from 6.30pm to 8.00pm for Brownies and from 8.00pm to 9.00pm for Guides. Contact Sheila Marcroft on 861981

MOTHERS' PRAYERS - Mothers meeting weekly to pray for their children. Each Thursday in Holy Family Parish Hall at 2.00pm. More details from Mary Marsh on 01942 701091.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT - For all finding it hard to cope after the loss of a loved one. The group meets on the last Saturday of each month at 12.15pm in Holy Family Parish Hall. Contact Mary Marsh on 701091

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Sunday 13th August	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm (SH)	Mass	Intentions of Joan Baines	Collins Weekday Missal Page
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Elsie Grundy	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Private Intention (E.F.)	
		Sun. 11.45am (HF)	Celebration of Baptism		
Mon 14th Tues 15th	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Mon. 7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Private Intention (T.G.)	
		Tues. 10.00am (HF)	Mass	Bill Mangnall	
Wed 16th		10.00am (SH)	Mass	Morag Curtis	718
		3.00pm (Belong)	Mass	Parishioners	---
Thurs 17th		10.00am (HF)	Mass	Winnie Gavin	720
Fri 18th		7.00pm (SH)	Mass	For Ben	722
Sat 19th		11.00am (HF)	Mass	For Pat (sick)	725
Sunday 20th August	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm	Mass	Julie Wilkinson	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Intentions of B.D.	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Patricia Sudell	
		Sun. 11.45am (HF)	Celebration of Baptism		

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AND A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION FOR CATHOLICS**

On Tuesday of this week we keep the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary which is a Holyday of Obligations, celebrated by Catholics as we do each Sunday, by joining together for Mass. The Masses celebrated for this Holyday in our two churches will be a Vigil Mass at 7.00pm on Monday evening in Sacred Heart Church and Mass on the Tuesday itself at 10.00am in Holy Family Church.

The doctrine of the Assumption of Mary reached its climax quite recently, with its formal definition by Pope Pius XII in 1950. But the belief that Mary was assumed body and soul into heaven at the conclusion of her life on earth dates back to the early Church. Mary is the summation of all Christians - what happened to her, will happen to us: Mary is testimony to our own complete sharing in the resurrection of Christ.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

We welcome into the People of God and into our Parish Family through the celebration of Baptism: Isla Rose Hughes, the daughter of Rebecca and Paul Hughes from Park Lane, Abram, who was born on the 23rd of May 2017 and is being baptised at Holy Family Church today by Deacon Mike.

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THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK Holy Family £446.82 Sacred Heart £601.00

FORTHCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

The following opportunities for prayer and reflection are being offered at "Irenaeus" at 32 Great Georges Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 1RD. For more information or to book a place on any of the days please telephone 0151 949 1199 or email jenny@irenaeus.co.uk or see the website at www.irenaeus.co.uk.

Scripture Weekends from Friday the 22nd to Sunday the 24th of September ("*I Believe in Miracles*" reflecting on the miracles of Jesus) and from Friday the 17th to Sunday the 19th of November ("*Come let us go up to the Mountain of the Lord*" looking at the Book of the Prophet Micah). Both led by Father Chris Thomas.

Individually Guided Retreat "*Come to the Quiet*" with an opportunity to spend a few days in prayer and silence with the guidance of a director. From 6.00pm on Monday the 25th of September until 10.00am on Saturday the 30th of September. Suggested donation is £210. Limited places available.

Thursday Scripture Mornings "*Blessed are you*" – *Discovering the Beatitudes*, on the 24th and 21st and 28th of September and the 5th of October from 10.00am to 12 noon on each of those days.

CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The name of the course is "*God for Grown Ups*" and it's a series of meetings to guide people – maybe who were previously baptised into other Christian denominations, or who have never been baptised – and who may now be considering becoming members of the Catholic Church. The Introductory Meeting will take place at Saint John's Parish Meeting Room, Powell Street, Wigan from 7.15pm until 9.00pm on Thursday the 14th of September. If you are such a person, or if you know someone who may be thinking of becoming a Catholic, why not bring this course to their attention? For more information have a chat with Father Tony or contact Sean Murphy, the course co-ordinator, on 01257 452317. (This course may also be of interest to existing Catholics who wish to know more about their faith).

RECOVERY FROM DIVORCE AND SEPARATION

A new Archdiocesan Course "*Restored Lives*" to offer support to any who are divorced or separated or recovering from a broken relationship, recently or in the past, starts on Tuesday the 19th of September. Meetings will take place in South Liverpool and in Aintree. More details from Maureen O'Brien, Marriage & Family Life Coordinator at LACE on 0151 522 1044 or email m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk

A MORNING FOR LAY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

A Morning of Reflection "*Come and Drink from the Waters*" for Lay Ministers of Holy Communion is being held at LACE, Croxteth Drive, Sefton Park, Liverpool, L17 1AA on Saturday the 30th of September from 9.30am until 1.00pm with tea and coffee available from 9.00am. This will be of particular benefit to those lay ministers who visit the sick and vulnerable in their homes with Holy Communion. To book a place on the reflection morning please contact Maureen Knight on 0151 522 1046 or email her at m.knight@rcaol.co.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Fully escorted Five Night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine in Ireland from the 15th of October 2017. Cost is £699.00 per person sharing which includes flight with 15kg checked-in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, five nights in newly refurbished Knock House Hotel with full Irish breakfast each morning and four-course dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included with visits to Ballintubber Abbey, Westport and Foxford Woollen Mills. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £60. Contact Patricia at Knock Pilgrimages on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

THE BRICK BOX

The box in the piety shop at the back of each church is there to receive any contributions you may wish to make towards the food bank which is run by The Brick to support those who are homeless or down on their luck in the Wigan area. Donations are welcome of any non-perishable food items - tins, packet food and dried goods such as rice and pasta, as well as baby food and nappies and basic toiletries.

CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS

For a Catholic perspective on current world issues, why not buy and read a Catholic newspaper each week? Both *The Catholic Universe* and *The Catholic Times* are on sale at the back of each of our churches at £1.30 a copy. *The Catholic Universe* in particular has articles for the whole of the family. Why not buy a copy after Mass today, give it a read, and if you like it, maybe become a regular weekly reader?

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		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Intentions of B.D.	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Patricia Sudell	
		Sun. 11.45am (HF)	Celebration of Baptism		
Mon 21st	St. Pius the Tenth	7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Mary Ann & Thomas O'Connell	727
Tues 22nd	The Queenship of Mary	10.15am (SH)	Funeral Mass for Vincent Egan		---
		11.00am (HF)	Funeral Mass for Angela Hickey		---
Wed 23rd		10.00am (SH)	Mass	Fr. Pat Harnett	731
		3.00pm (Belong)	Mass	Parishioners	---
Thur 24th	St. Bartholomew	10.00am (HF)	Mass	Barbara King	1898
Fri 25th		7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Connie & Fred Kennish	736
Sat 26th	Bl. Dominic Barberi	11.00am (HF)	Mass	Intentions of L.I.S.C.F.	739
Sunday 27th August	21st Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm	Mass	Pat Graham	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Tyrell Family Deceased Members	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Trevor Roberts	

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LAST WEEK OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS Holy Family £450.56 Sacred Heart £653.00

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

We welcome into the People of God and into our Parish Family: Bobby James Brady, the son of Richard Brady and Tara-Marie Ormshaw from Lily Lane, Bamfurlong who was born on the 22nd of March 2017 and is being baptised by Deacon Mike at Holy Family Church this weekend.

..... FAREWELL UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with the families and friends of those members of our parish communities who have died recently. May the Lord welcome them home.

Vincent Egan from Askwith Road, Hindley Green, the former President of Wigan & District Catholic Men's Society, who died on the 3rd of August aged 83 years. His funeral rites will be celebrated by Father Strowbridge at Sacred Heart Church next Tuesday at 10.15am prior to committal at Howe Bridge Crematorium.

Angela Hickey from Claydon Drive, Ince who died on the 15th of August aged 73 yearst. Her funeral rites will be celebrated by Father Tony at Holy Family Church next Tuesday at 11.00am prior to committal at Wigan Crematorium.

Alan Liptrot from Ashley Road, Hindley Green who died on the 8th of August aged 69 years. His funeral rites will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Church on Tuesday the 29th of August at 11.00am prior to burial in Hindley Cemetery.

Father Gerald Hurst, from Belong Village, Platt Bridge and the former Parish Priest of Castletown and Port Erin on the Isle of Man, who died on the 15th of August. Arrangements have yet to be made but his funeral rites will be celebrated at Holy Family Church by one of the bishops and the priests of the Archdiocese in the near future.

BANK HOLIDAY PILGRIMAGES

SAINT EDMUND ARROWSMITH

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass in honour of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith with the veneration of the relic of his Holy Hand takes place next Sunday the 27th of August at 4.00pm at the Church of Saint Oswald and Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, Ashton in Makerfield. All welcome.

BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass in honour of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God will take place at 12 noon on Bank Holiday Monday the 28th of August at his altar tomb at Saint Anne and Blessed Dominic Church, Monastery Road, Sutton, St. Helens, WA9 3ZD. Everyone welcome.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday – Saint Pius the Tenth

Giuseppe Sarto was born at Riese (Italy) in 1835 and died at Rome on the 20th of August 1914. After being bishop of Mantua and patriarch of Venice, he was elected pope in 1903. In pursuit of his motto, “To renew all things in Christ,” he initiated reforms of the liturgy and of canon law and took stern measures against “modernist” trends in theology. His efforts to avert World War One were frustrated. He is remembered for his poverty and for his promotion of liturgical participation, especially of frequent communion, to which he admitted young children to receive First Holy Communion.

Thursday – Saint Bartholomew

Bartholomew is named in the list of apostles and is generally identified with Nathaniel of Cana, the “Israelite without guile” (John 1:47), who was led to Jesus by the apostle Philip. He is said to have preached the gospel in India and in Armenia, where tradition indicates he was martyred.

Saturday – Blessed Dominic Barberi

An Italian Passionist priest who served in the UK for part of his ministry. Dominic preached innumerable missions and received hundreds of converts into the Catholic Church, the most prominent of them being Cardinal John Henry Newman. He died in Reading in 1849 and his body is buried here in our Archdiocese at Sutton, St. Helens.

A REQUEST FROM THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary at Sacred Heart Church would be grateful to receive any religious books, leaflets or prayer cards to distribute via the “Book Barrows” they hold throughout the year at local supermarkets. Please bring them along to Mass with you and hand them in to the sacristy at Sacred Heart Church.

They are also willing to visit any sick, lonely or housebound members of Sacred Heart Parish. If you have a relative, friend or neighbour who would like the support of such a visit, please pass on their name and address to Deacon Ken at Sacred Heart Church.

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JOB VACANCIES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

There are further vacancies within the Archdiocese of Liverpool: For a Parish Administrator at Saint Margaret Clitherow Parish, Leigh (16 hours per week at £8.70 per hour, closing date is Friday the 1st of September); For an Assistant Chaplain at the Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen Hospitals (18½ hours per week at a salary of £10,928 per annum, closing date is Wednesday the 30th of August). For more information, job descriptions and an application form go to www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk and click on “Jobs”

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		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Tyrell Family Deceased Members	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Trevor Roberts	
Mon 28th	St. Augustine	7.00pm (SH)	Mass	Jenny & Ted Higginson	741
Tues 29th	St. John the Baptist	11.00am (SH)	Funeral Mass for Alan Liptrot		
Wed 30th	Saint Edmund Arrowsmith	10.00am (SH)	Mass	Madge Clucas	745
		3.00pm (Belong)	Mass	Parishioners	---
Thurs 31st		7.00pm (HF)	Reception Mass for Father Gerald Hurst		
Fri 1st Sept		12 noon (HF)	Funeral Mass for Father Gerald Hurst		
Sat 2nd		11.00am (HF)	Mass	Betty Corrin	751
Sunday 3rd September	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)	Sat. 5.30pm	Mass	Ian Clayton	
		Sun. 9.00am (SH)	Mass	Eric Gaskell	
		Sun. 10.30am (HF)	Mass	Ann Louise McCarthy	

► PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO THE TIME AND PLACE FOR MASS THIS WEEK ◀

Monday	7.00pm at Sacred Heart	Thursday	7.00pm at Holy Family
Tuesday	11.00am at Sacred Heart	Friday	12 noon at Holy Family
Wednesday	10.00am at Sacred Heart	Saturday	11.00am at Holy Family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)	Saturday Morning at 11.30am at Holy Family
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	Saturday from 11.30am to 12 noon at Holy Family
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THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK	Holy Family £380.46 Sacred Heart £590.00

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We hold in prayer before the Lord two members of our parish communities whose funeral rites we will celebrate during this week. May the Lord welcome them home.

Alan Liptrot of Ashley Road, Hindley Green who died on the 8th of August aged 69 years. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated by Father Tony at Sacred Heart Church next Tuesday the 29th of August at 11.00am followed by burial at Hindley Cemetery.

Father Gerald Hurst of Belong Village, Platt Bridge who died on the 15th of August, the feast of Our Lady's Assumption into heaven. He was 88 years of age and in the 63rd year of his priesthood. His body will be received into Holy Family Church for Mass at 7.00pm next Thursday the 31st of August celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm. His Funeral Mass, also at Holy Family Church, will be celebrated next Friday the 1st of September at 12 noon by Bishop Malone, followed by burial at St Oswald's, Ashton-in-Makerfield. Until the Mass of Reception on Thursday, Father Gerald's body will rest in R. Banks' Chapel of Rest in Templeton Road, Platt Bridge should any wish to visit and pray.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday – Saint Augustine of Hippo

Born at Tagaste (Algeria) in 354, Augustine died at Hippo (Tunisia) in 430. Though enrolled by his mother as a catechumen, he espoused Manicheism, and lived for fifteen years with a woman who remains unknown and with whom he had a son, named Adeodatus. After a long inner struggle and under the influence of Saint Ambrose and the prayers of his mother, Saint Monica, Augustine was converted and baptised in 387 together with his son. For thirty-four years he was bishop of Hippo, living a communal life with his clergy and serving the many needs of his people at a time of political and cultural collapse. He is remembered as a model pastor and as a preacher and writer whose thought has had an enduring influence in Christian history.

Tuesday – The Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist

The execution of John the Baptist is recorded in the gospels (Matthew 14; Mark 6) and is placed by the historian Josephus at the fortress of Machaerus near the Dead Sea. As early as the fifth century, a commemoration of John the Baptist was kept on this day at Jerusalem. It probably marks the anniversary of the dedication of the basilica in his honour at Sebaste (Palestine) where, tradition says, he was buried.

Wednesday – Saint Edmund Arrowsmith

Edmund was the son of a farmer, and was born at Haydock. He was baptized Brian, but always used his Confirmation name of Edmund. The family was constantly harassed for its adherence to Catholicism, and in 1605 Edmund went to Douai to study for the priesthood. He was ordained in 1612 and sent on the English mission the following year. He ministered to the Catholics of Lancashire without incident until about 1622, when he was arrested. He was released, joined the Jesuits in 1624, and in 1628 was arrested again, convicted of being a Catholic priest, sentenced to death, and hanged, drawn, and quartered at Lancaster. He was canonised as one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales by Pope Paul VI in 1970. The relic of his Holy Hand is preserved and venerated at The Church of Saint Oswald and Saint Edmund Arrowsmith at Ashton-in-Makerfield.

BANK HOLIDAY LOCAL PILGRIMAGES

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith at Ashton

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass with the Veneration of his Holy Hand takes place today, Sunday the 27th of August, at 4.00pm at the Church of Saint Oswald and Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, Ashton in Makerfield. All welcome.

Blessed Dominic Barberi at St. Helens

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass in honour of Blessed Dominic takes place at 12 noon on Bank Holiday Monday the 28th of August at his altar tomb at Saint Anne and Blessed Dominic Church, Monastery Road, Sutton, St. Helens, WA9 3ZD. Everyone welcome.

CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The name of the course is “*God for Grown Ups*” and it’s a series of meetings to guide people – maybe who were previously baptised into other Christian denominations, or who have never been baptised – and who may now be considering becoming members of the Catholic Church. The Introductory Meeting will take place at Saint John’s Parish Meeting Room, Powell Street, Wigan from 7.15pm until 9.00pm on Thursday the 14th of September. If you are such a person, or if you know someone who may be thinking of becoming a Catholic, why not bring this course to their attention? For more information have a chat with Father Tony or contact Sean Murphy, the course co-ordinator, on 01257 452317. (This course may also be of interest to existing Catholics who wish to know more about their faith).

PRAY FOR OUR FUTURE PRIESTS

Our Students for the Priesthood for the Archdiocese of Liverpool will be returning to their studies in the coming weeks after the summer break, a large part of it spent on pastoral placements in some of our parishes. We have twelve seminarians entering the new academic year, five of the twelve beginning formation for the first time: Simon Bristow, Peter Cusick, Martin Fyles and Peter Ross will begin the Preparation Year at the English College in Valladolid, Spain and Hugh Dunleavy who begins major seminary at Oscott College, Birmingham. Three of the twelve will be ordained to the priesthood next year at the Metropolitan Cathedral on Saturday the 7th of July 2018: Philip Carr, Anthony Kelly (from Wigan!) and Carl Mugan. Please hold them all in prayer before the Lord.

THE BRICK BOX

The box in the piety shop at the back of each church is there to receive any contributions you may wish to make towards the food bank which is run by The Brick to support those who are homeless or down on their luck in the Wigan area. Donations are welcome of any non-perishable food items - tins, packet food and dried goods such as rice and pasta, as well as baby food and nappies and basic toiletries.