



The Parishes of

OUR LADY IMMACULATE, BRYN, St. OSWALD & St. EDMUND ARROWSMITH, & St. WILFRID, ASHTON-IN-MAKERFIELD

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Week commencing: 16th March 2025 2nd SUNDAY of LENT (C)

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Saturday 6.00pm (StW) Special Intention (KH)

Sunday 9.30am (OLI) Special Intention (LS) 11.00am (StO) Alice Flynn

6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

Weekday Masses

Monday 9.00am (OLI) St. Patrick, Bishop

Peggy Burns

Tuesday 9.30am (StW) St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop

Canon Robert Meagher

Wednesday 9.30am (StO) SOLEMNITY of St. JOSEPH,

HUSBAND of the BLESSED

VIRGIN MARY

Joseph Topping

Thursday 9.30am (StW) Gertrude Topping

Friday 9.00am (OLI) Patricia Makin

Saturday 10.00am Michael Young

3rd SUNDAY of LENT (C)

Saturday 6.00pm (StW) Thelma Maguire Sunday 9.30am (OLI) James Clarke

11.00am (StO) Touhey & Higgins Family

6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

Services during the week

Confessions: No Confessions this week

Rosary: Sun: 9.00am (OLI)

Mon-Sat: 30 minutes before Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon-Fri: 10.00am-12 noon (StO)

Novena: Wed: 7.00pm (OLI)

Stations of the Cross:

Thurs after 9.30am Mass (StW) Fri: 12.10pm (StO)

7.00pm (OLI)

Devotions to the Holy Hand:

No devotions this week

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week for

the intention of:

Our Lady's: Sick & Housebound Available dates: 30th Mar

St. Oswald's: Michael Kelly Available dates: 20th April

St. Wilfrid's: Sick & Housebound Available dates: 23rd, 30th Mar

Mary Smith

Anniversaries

Michael Brendan Flanagan

16th Mar Patrick Raftrey

17th Mar Harold Berry

18th Mar Michael Flanagan 19th Mar William Giverin

20th Mar John Craven 21st Mar James Clarke

Stanley Cook

Ann Sharples

William Giverin

Alice Kelly

Lenten Fast Day

'Lord, when did we see you hungry...?' (Matthew 25:44)

One of our themes for this Jubilee Year is concerning Food Poverty, and I am grateful to the small group of parishioners who have been meeting to discuss how we can better support those within our own community who are in need. Last Friday in particular was the Lenten Fast Day, and there will be a retiring collection after all Masses this weekend to support the local Food Bank. In addition, now is also a good opportunity to renew our regular donations to the Food Bank and so, at the back of each Church, you will find a box for donations, together with a list of items which are particularly needed. Perhaps you could add just one of those items to your own regular shopping and leave it in the box at the back of Church. Many thanks.

Welcome

We welcome into the family of God, Jasmine Booth-Doutel, who will be baptised after the 11.00am Mass at St. Oswald's on Sunday.

'The Christian community welcomes you with great joy.'

Our Lady's & St. Oswald's Cemeteries

Cemetery deed-holders are reminded that the annual cemetery maintenance fee of £40 is now due. Cash, or cheques made payable either to 'Our Lady's Parish' or 'St. Oswald's Parish' can handed in to the Presbytery. Christmas pots should now be removed, as should anything which obstructs the grounds Maintenance. Please use green bins for garden waste only, not plastic wrapping or pots.

Novena to St. Joseph

The national Novena to St. Joseph, led by the Mill Hill Missionaries, continues this week in preparation for St. Joseph's Feast on the 19th March. The Novena leaflet is available for those who wish to take part and Mass on the Wednesday of this week will be celebrated in St. Joseph's Chapel in St. Oswald's.

APF Mill Hill Red Boxes

Those who support the work of the Mill Hill Missionaries through the Red Box scheme are asked to bring in their donations next weekend. Please place your contributions in bag with your name inside and hand in to the sacristy. Many thanks.

Our Lady's Luncheon Club

Our Lady's Luncheon Club meets on Wednesday of this week (19th March) from 12 noon in Our Lady's Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Dominic Barberi CP

As part of our Jubilee celebrations there will be a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Blessed Dominic Barberi CP and the Servants of God Ignatius Spencer CP and Mother Mary Joseph CP (neé Elizabeth Prout) at the Church of St. Anne and Blessed Dominic, Monastery Lane, Sutton, St. Helens, WA9 3ZD, on Saturday 22nd March. Our pilgrimage will begin with Mass at Blessed Dominic's Shrine at 10.00am, followed by the Rosary, Confessions, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction and conclude with Angelus. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to add their name to the list at the back of Church.

Please note: There will be no Mass or Confessions at St. Oswald's next Saturday.

The Church of St. Anne & Blessed Dominic is one of the designated Jubilee Churches within the Archdiocese where a plenary indulgence can be gained during this year. An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, and may be applied to the souls of the faithful departed. A plenary indulgence may be obtained by participating in Holy Mass, take part in the Sacrament of Confession, engage in Eucharistic adoration, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father by reciting the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Profession of Faith.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

This year's pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady in Walsingham will take place from Monday 4th—Thursday 7th August, staying in Elmham House. Total cost, including transport, dinner, bed & breakfast is £310 for a standard room or £360 for an en-suite room). Booking forms are available from Anne on 07934 677541 or Anne-Marie on 07950 821526.