



#### The Parishes of

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

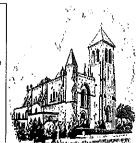
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# Week commencing: 1st December 2024 1sr SUNDAY of ADVENT (C)

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#### 1st SUNDAY of ADVENT (C)

Saturday 6.00pm (StW) Tom Riley Bill Heaton Sunday 9.30am (OLI) 11.00am (StO) Josie Owen 6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

Weekday Masses Sick & Retired Priests 9.00am (OLI) Monday 9.30am (StW) St. Francis Xavier, Priest Tuesday Parishioners Wednesday 9.30am (StO) Lily Ward Thursday 9.30am (StW) St. John Almond, Priest & Martyr José Gonzalez St. Nicholas, Bishop 9.00am (OLI) Friday

For Vocations 12.30pm (StO) Requiem Mass:

Mary Slater

Saturday 10.00am (OLI) St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor Philomena Berry

### 2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT (C)

Sheila Parkinson Saturday 6.00pm (StW) 9.30am (OLI) Frank Duff Sunday 11.00am (StO) Frank Boardman 6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

#### Refreshments after Mass

Tea and coffee will be served after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday in Our Lady's Parish Centre. All are welcome.

### Services during the week

Confessions: Sat: 11.00am-12 noon (OLI)

Rosary: Sun: 9.00am (OLI)

Mon-Sat: 30 minutes before Mass

#### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Mon-Fri: 10.00am-12 noon (StO) Sat: 11.00-12 noon (OLI)

Novena: Wed: 7.00pm (OLI) Holy Hour: Fri: 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: Bernard Rodican Available dates: 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th Dec

> St. Oswald's: Bernard Rodican Available dates: 15th & 29th Dec

St. Wilfrid's: Navele & Donnir Family Available dates: 22nd & 29th Dec

## **Anniversaries**

1st Dec Kathleen Walsh Robert Lea 2nd Dec John Balmer 3rd Dec James Blake Mary Davies John O'Connell John Molyneux 4th Dec 5th Dec Ted Nov Evelyn Fagan Nora Whittle 6th Dec

Les Hill

Mark Bolton

7th Dec

#### Welcome

We welcome into the family of God, Moses Fisher-Porcelli, who will be baptised following the 11.00am Mass at St. Oswald's on Sunday.

'The Christian community welcomes you with great joy.'

### Jubilee 2025

As is the case every 25 years, 2025 will be a Jubilee Year throughout the Church. Traditionally, Jubilee Years presented an opportunity to make a Pilgrimage, most usually to Rome, so next year, the Archbishop has established a number of Jubilee Churches throughout the Archdiocese as focuses of pilgrimage. St. Oswald & St. Edmund Arrowsmith will be one of those Churches. I hope this will mean that we will be the host of many such pilgrims throughout the year.

In order to help us plan for the year ahead, I would like to invite parishioners from all three parishes to come together in the Canons' Hall at St. Oswald's at **6.30pm on Tuesday 3rd December** to discuss any ideas you may have for events and activities to mark this Jubilee. All are welcome.

#### **Christmas Raffle**

Tickets are available from this weekend for a Christmas Raffle in aid of our Bethlehem Fund. Any donations of gifts for prizes would be greatly appreciated. Many thanks.

## St Oswald's School Sing-a-long-Bingo

St. Oswald's School would like to invite all of our senior citizens to join us on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm in our school hall. There will be plenty of bingo and lots of joyful singing from our school choir, as well as hot drinks and mince pies for you to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### **Advent Masses**

On the 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December, St. Patrick's Church, Hardybutts, Wigan, WN1 3RZ, will be celebrating Mass at 7:15am on the first two Fridays in Advent. These Masses will be by candlelight and offered in honour of Our Lady. After Mass, tea and toast will be served. All are welcome.

## Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Wigan Family of parishes is organising a Pilgrimage to Lourdes from the 24th –31st July 2025, to coincide with the Archdiocesan Pilgrimage. Travel is by luxury executive coach, for 5 nights full-board staying in the Hotel Eliseo, Panorama or Solitude, subject to availability. Full cost is £800 per person sharing, or £950 for a single room. All enquiries to Deacon Mick Moffatt on 07724 589200.

# Music at the Met 2024

During 2024, the Metropolitan Cathedral are celebrating the return of their restored grand organ with a series of concerts and events that will demonstrate the versatility of the instrument.

Advent Sequence, Sunday 1 December, 17.00

Bach and Handel, Sunday 8 December, 15.00 A Celebration of Christmas, Saturday 14 December, 19.00

A Ceremony of Carols, Sunday 15 December, 15.00

For more information, please call 01517087283 or email music@metcathedral.org.uk

#### St. Oswald's Annuity Fund

The result of the November draw is:

1. £150	No. 110	Fr. B. Newns
2. £100	No. 37	J. Darbyshire
3.£ 50	No. 58	E. Dawson
4.£ 25	No. 83	T.P. & M. Harding

Winnings may be collected after Mass.