



The Parishes of

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

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Week commencing: 23rd March 2025

3rd SUNDAY of LENT (C)

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

11.00am (StO) Touhey & Higgins Family

6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

Weekday Masses

Monday 9.00am (OLI) Pope Francis

Tuesday 9.30am (StW) The ANNUNCIATION of the LORD

Golden Book

Wednesday 9.30am (StO) Edward Spencer

Thursday 9.30am (StW) Edna Doherty

Friday 9.00am (OLI) Ann Brian Saturday 10.00am (StO) Rebecca Clift

4th SUNDAY of LENT (C)

Saturday 6.00pm (StW) Mary Murch Sunday 9.30am (OLI) Chris Brien 11.00am (StO) Marie Gates 6.30pm (OLI) Parishioners

Anniversaries

Paul Cain 23rd Mar Mary Haslam 24th Mar Keith Green 25th Mar John Doran 26th Mar Marian Griffin Dorothy Siney Mary Touhey Marie Gates Mae Leadbetter 27th Mar 28th Mar Colin Malone James Owens Catherine Bird 29th Mar John Giverin Anthony Kilshaw Catherine Tague

Services during the week

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

Rosary: Sun: 9.00am (OLI)

Mon-Sat: 30 minutes before Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

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

After Saturday morning Mass (StO)

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week for the intention of:

Our Lady's: Bernard Rodican Available dates: 30th Mar

St. Oswald's: Mary Touhey Available dates: 20th April

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

Planned-giving Envelopes

Offertory envelopes beginning 6th April are available at the back of Church this weekend for those who use them. Please ensure that all other envelopes are disposed of from that date. Gift-aid and Standing Order forms are also available.

Welcome

We welcome into the family of God, Leo Jospeh Brian Stott, who will be baptised at Our Lady's, and Lottie-Mae Bates, who will be baptised at St. Oswald's, on Sunday.

'The Christian community welcomes you with great joy.'

Requiescant in Pace

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of:

- 1. Gail Haunch of Wigan Road, Ashton, whose funeral service will take place at St. Oswald's at 12.30pm on Monday 7th April;
- 2. Margaret Fildes of Princess Avenue, Ashton, whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Oswald's at 12.30pm on Wednesday 9th April;
- 3. Anthony Fitzgerald of Hilton Street, Ashton, whose funeral service will take place at St. Oswald's at 1.00pm on Friday 11th April.

'Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.'

Walsingham Jubilee

In this Jubilee Year, the Bishops of England & Wales have agreed to a retiring collection being taken after all Masses this weekend to support work of the National Shrine of Our Lady in Walsingham.

Sacramental Preparation

Pray, please, for our children in Year 4, and their families, who will this week receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time, either on Monday evening in St. Oswald's Church at 6.30pm, or on Tuesday evening in St. Wilfrid's Church at 6.30pm.

A Word of Thanks

The family of Thelma Maguire would like to express their deepest gratitude to friends and parishioners for their kindness shown over the last few weeks. A Mass will be said for your intentions.

Lenten Fast Day

Thanks to all who contributed to the retiring collection last weekend which raised a total of £296 for the Ashton Food Bank.

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.

<u>Visitation of the Centenary Pilgrim Statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</u> and the relics of Sts. Jacinta & Francisco

The Statue and Relics will be visiting the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King on Monday 2 June 2025. On the day, there will be the enthronement & crowning of the Statue, Holy Mass, Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, enrolment & investiture of the Brown Scapular, Fatima devotions, Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta & Francisco, Fatima talk & film, and recitation & meditation of the Holy Rosary. For further information, please contact the World Apostolate of Fatima on 07788 473210.

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.