

**ST OSWALD & ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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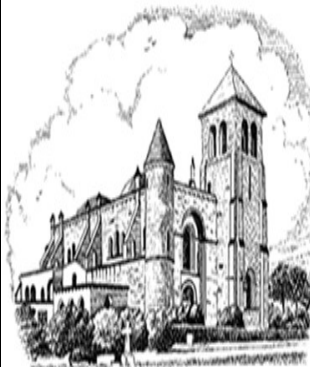
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Week commencing: 17th January 2021

2nd SUNDAY of the YEAR (B)

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Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	In Thanksgiving (MC)
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Tom Davies
	11.00am (StO)	Nick Smith
	6.30pm (OLI)	Parishioners

Weekday Masses

Monday	9.00am (OLI)	Margaret Gorman
Tuesday	9.30am (StW)	Frank Currie
Wednesday	9.30am (StO)	Ernie Lowe
Thursday	St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr	
	9.30am (StW)	J. Hughes
Friday	9.00am (OLI)	Special Intention
Saturday	10.00am (StO)	Jane & Bryan Topping

3rd SUNDAY of the YEAR (B)

Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	Cath & Reg Powell
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Parishioners
	11.00am (StO)	Fr Bernard Eager
	6.30pm (OLI)	Terry Craighan

Services during the week

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

Rosary: There will be no public recitation of the Rosary until further notice.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon-Fri: 10.00am–12 noon (StO)

Fri: 7.00-8.00pm (OLI)

Sat: 11.00am-12 noon (StO)

Novena: Wed: 7.00pm (OLI)

Anniversaries

17th Jan	Joseph Bennett Nick Smith Ellen Wood
18th Jan	Gordon Fairhurst John Kilgannon
21st Jan	Thomas Robinson William Woods
22nd Jan	Patrick Cahill Albert Foster Catherine Johnston Maggie Lyon

Oberammergau 2022

In 1633, the villagers of Oberammergau in southern Germany made a vow to perform a Passion Play every 10 years in the hope of being spared the effects of the plague which was rampaging across Europe at the time. Ironically, until last year, that vow had been fulfilled except on one occasion when it was banned, and three times due to war.

Now plans are in place for the Passion Play to be staged in 2022, and places are available for a trip from 29th June-6th July 2022, flying from Manchester to Munich and staying for 6 nights in Mosen, Austria, with tickets to see the Play and one night in Oberammergau. Total cost £1785. For a brochure and/or booking form, please see Fr. John

Catholic Pictorial

The January issue of the Catholic Pictorial is now available in print and online. The latest edition is available to download here: <https://bit.ly/3bacYaI>

National Lockdown Guidance

Following the most recent announcement of a national lockdown, the following guidance is taken from the Government website:

1. You can leave home to attend or visit a place of worship for communal worship, a funeral or event related to a death, a burial ground or a remembrance garden, or to attend a wedding ceremony. **You should follow the guidance on the safe use of places of worship and must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble when attending a place of worship.**
2. Weddings, funerals and religious, belief-based or commemorative events linked to someone's death are all subject to limits on the numbers that can attend, and weddings and civil ceremonies may only take place in exceptional circumstances. **You must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble if you do attend a service.**
3. Weddings must only take place with up to 6 people. Anyone working is not included. These should only take place in exceptional circumstances, for example urgent marriages where one of those getting married is seriously ill and not expected to recover, or where due to undergo debilitating treatment or lifechanging surgery.
4. Funerals. In all areas, there must be no more than 30 people attending. Anyone working is not included as part of the 30 person limit.

In view of the above, the normal timetable of Masses and Services, including daily Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, will continue until further notice.

A Journey of Salvation

The Drama Displayed: A Journey of Salvation is a free series of online talks offered by the Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst College. A range of excellent speakers will examine the key moments of salvation history, with the aid of great works of art at 7:30pm every second Thursday, from 14th January to 25th March. For info and registration: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-drama-displayed/>

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

This year the Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Association will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes with Mass online only. ***Please do not attempt to attend in person.***

The Mass will be broadcast on **Thursday the 11th February 2021 at 7.00pm** from Our Lady's RC Church, Lydiate. Our Celebrant will be Fr Des Seddon.

You will be able to watch using the Facebook link below (no Facebook account is needed, simply click on the link below):

<https://www.facebook.com/Archdiocese-of-Liverpool-Feast-of-Our-Lady-of-Lourdes-Mass-106532301406114>

or you may watch using the CSTV link for Our Lady's Church:

[Our Lady's, RC Church, Lydiate Merseyside - Southport Rd, Lydiate, Liverpool, England](#)

Annuity Fund

The winners of the draws for October, November & December are as follows:

	October	November	December
£150	S. Leonard	K. Parker	V. Kelly
£100	T. Kelly	J. Kelly	B. Holden
£50	E. Yates	C. Allcock	B. Coyne
£25	S. Gribbon	H. Cooper	P. Smith