

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

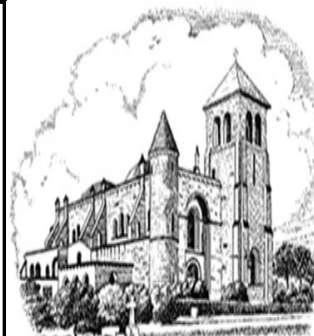
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**Week commencing: 30th August 2020**

**22nd SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)**

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<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm (StW)	Martin Donnir & Cecilia Navele
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30am (OLI)	Emma Cunliffe
	11.00am (StO)	Haselden Family
	6.30pm (OLI)	Parishioners

**Weekday Masses**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St. Aidan, Bishop, &amp; the Saints of Lindisfarne</b>
	10.00am (OLI) Private Intention
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Sts. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line &amp; Margaret Ward, Martyrs</b>
	9.30am (StW) Sick & Retired Priests
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am (StO) Eric Murray
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>St. Gregory the Great, Pope &amp; Doctor</b>
	9.30am (StW) Norman Maguire
<b>Friday</b>	<b>St. Cuthbert, Bishop</b>
	9.00am (OLI) In Thanksgiving
<b>Saturday</b>	10.00am (OLI) Margaret Gorman

**23rd SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME (A)**

<b>Saturday</b>	6.00pm (StW)	Sheila Purcell
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30am (OLI)	Parishioners
	11.00am (StO)	Mark Flynn
	6.30pm (OLI)	Fr Bernard Eager

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Mass on Bank Holiday Monday will be at 10.00am Our Lady's. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Oswald's on Monday.**

**Mass & Confessions on Saturday of this week will be at Our Lady's from 10.00am for the 1st Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.**

**Services during the week**

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

**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 (OLI)

**Novena:** Wed: 7.00pm (OLI)

**Anniversaries**

1st Sept	Henry Boot	Kathleen Clarke
2nd Sept	Thomas Wilson	
3rd Sept	Brian Gale	
4th Sept	Norman Maguire	
5th Sept	Gladys Wadsworth	

**Holy Hand Pilgrimage Mass**

This year is the 50th anniversary of the Canonisation of the 40 Martyrs of England & Wales and the Pilgrimage Mass to the Holy Hand of St. Edmund Arrowsmith will take place at 2.00pm this Sunday (30th August).

As part of this Mass, Paul Hurst, who has been responsible for the recording of Mass during the lockdown, will be received into Full Communion with the Church, and Aaron Brown, one of our servers at St. Wilfrid's, will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep both of them, and their families, in your prayers at this time.

### A Word of Thanks

I am most grateful to our Dean, Fr Aidan Kelly, from Sacred Heart, Wigan for standing in for me last weekend, and hope you will forgive my absence in the circumstances.

On behalf of my sister and my brothers, I would like to express my deepest appreciation for all the cards and prayers which have been offered up following my mum's death. They are, and have been, a source of great comfort to us all.

### Welcome

We welcome into the Family of God, Hallie Evelyn Howard, who will be baptised following the 11.00am Mass at St. Oswald's on Sunday.

*'The Christian community welcomes you with great joy.'*

### Resumption of Services

As part of the on-going re-opening of our Churches, this week we will resume the Services of Devotion which normally take place at Our Lady's.

This will begin with the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm, the Holy Hour on Friday evenings at 7.00pm, and First Saturday Mass and Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, with Confessions, from 10.00am.

As a result, there will be no further Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Oswald's on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Our thanks once again go to those who have helped by stewarding this time of prayer since the beginning of July.

### St. Oswald's Cemetery

Those of you with family graves at St. Oswald's will be only too aware that a great deal of work needs to be done to bring the cemetery grounds back to an acceptable state. Already this year, a considerable amount of money has already been spent on felling and pruning dangerous trees, and this is only scratching the surface. A great deal more is required over a long period of time, as it is impossible to do everything at once. It is, however, unreasonable to expect that the cost of this should be borne entirely by those who contribute each week at Mass. From the 1st September, therefore, a new set of Cemetery Regulations will be introduced, including an annual £30 Cemetery Maintenance Fee, in line with that currently effective at Our Lady's. Copies of the new regulations can be viewed at the entrance to the Cemetery, and on the Church Noticeboard.

### Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters

The Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst is offering a series of online talks, "**Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters**", exploring some of the great figures of Western spirituality, such as St Ignatius of Loyola, St Thérèse of Lisieux, St John Henry Newman, St Thomas Aquinas, St Francis de Sales, St Teresa of Avila & St John of the Cross, St Benedict and St Francis of Assisi. The series is free to attend online and will take place at 7.30pm on Thursdays, beginning on 3<sup>rd</sup> September and running through till 10<sup>th</sup> December. Simply register to receive a link, either online at [www.christianheritagecentre.com/event/saints-scholars-spiritual-masters](http://www.christianheritagecentre.com/event/saints-scholars-spiritual-masters) or by email to [events@christianheritagecentre.com](mailto:events@christianheritagecentre.com).

### Oberammergau 2022

Following the cancellation of this year's Passion Play in Oberammergau, a number of places have become available for the revised production in 2022. The new schedule is a 7 night trip from 29th June – 6th July 2022, departing Manchester, staying at the Inntalerhof Hotel, Mosen, Austria, with an overnight stay in Oberammergau on the day of the Play. Total cost £1785 per person sharing a twin or double room. Brochures and booking forms will soon be available. Anyone who would like to register an interest is asked to speak to Fr John.