



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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JUBILEE 2025



18 AUGUST 2024 – TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged "to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass".

Saturday 17 5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Sr. Máire Morris pcj RIP
Sunday 18 10.00am	<i>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Paul Bate RIP
Monday 19 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Kathleen Hannan RIP
Tuesday 20	<i>St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church</i> Private Mass – Holy Souls
Wednesday 21 8.45am	<i>St. Pius X, Pope</i> Mass - Special Intention
6.00pm	~~~ No Eucharistic Adoration ~~~
7.00pm	~~~ No Mass ~~~
Thursday 22 9.30am	<i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Mary Hewitt (Intentions)
Friday 23 9.30am	<i>St. John Wall, Priest, Martyr.</i> Timothy Clark RIP
Saturday 24 5.30pm	<i>St. Bartholomew, Apostle.</i> Private Mass <i>Vigil: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Kate Dutton (Intentions)
Sunday 25 10.00am	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Patricia Clark RIP

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm.
Confession: Saturday 4.45pm – 5.25pm
Private Rosary / Quiet Prayer: Sunday - 9.30am – 10.00am
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for August – For Political Leaders: We pray that political leaders be at the service their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Banquet of the Eucharist: We hunger for many things. However, only God can satisfy our deeper hungers. We gather in God's house to celebrate the Eucharist, the banquet God has provided for us, his pilgrim people.

The First Reading talks about the sumptuous banquet that Wisdom offers its devotees. It suggests great blessings that would coincide with the coming of the Messiah. But Christians will see it as a foreshadowing of the Eucharist, and of the heavenly banquet which the Eucharist anticipates. Thus, it prepares to hear the Gospel.

In the Gospel the theme is exclusively eucharistic. The language shifts to eating and drinking, to flesh and blood. 'Flesh and blood' is a Hebrew idiom for the whole person.

In a poetic way John has laid out the basic elements that makes the Christian Eucharistic nourishing. In the Service of the Word we are fed with divine revelation; in the Service of the Sacrament we are fed with the flesh and blood of Christ.

Sick: Please pray for Janet Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

Sanctuary Lamp: The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for the intentions of Leslie Perry. Let us pray for Leslie's intentions.

Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 19th September at £4.00 per week.

Sponsored windowpanes: A few years ago, we raised money to repair the Stained-Glass window which is in the balcony by sponsoring a pane of glass.

There are still some unsponsored panes left, so once again to raise funds for the parish, we invite you to either sponsor a pane

for yourselves or dedicate a pane to a loved one. Prices are £5 for small or £15 for larger. If interested, please see Pat Woolston.

Adoremus in Our Parish- Sunday 15 September: On Sunday 15 September, the Bishops of England and Wales invite all parishes across our countries to have a period of Exposition to unite the faithful in focusing on the Eucharist in anticipation of the Jubilee Year with renewed and deepened devotion.

This can be a Holy Hour or a period of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. **We shall have an hour of Eucharistic Adoration before the Masses over this weekend.**

Preparing for the Season of Creation: Everyone in the Catholic family - parishes, schools, communities and individuals – is encouraged to join in prayer to mark the Season of Creation from 1 September to 4 October.

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home. The "Celebration" begins 1 September, the Feast of Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

Offertory Collections – 11 August 2024

Non-Gift Aided: £130.10 Candles £47.90 Pilgrimage: £20.00

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Mass Attendance: Saturday: 35 Sunday 66 Total:101

Diocesan Novena for the Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi: Sunday 18 August 2024 marks the beginning of the Diocesan Novena to pray for the Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi.

The Novena of Prayer lasts for nine days and concludes on his feast day on Monday 26 August.

The annual Novena of Prayer for the Cause of Blessed Dominic Barberi is a moment to pause and to appreciate the work of this holy Passionist in our Archdiocese and to pray for his Canonisation.

Blessed Dominic arrived in the Archdiocese in February 1842. He spent the next seven years based at Aston Hall in Staffordshire, from where he celebrated Mass, preached Missions, heard confessions, and received many people into the Catholic Church, the most famous being St John Henry Newman in October 1845.

Blessed Dominic had a well-known reputation for sanctity and holiness of life. He is also remembered for his love for the poor, and those in need of prayer and help.

In our Archdiocese his memory is held in special regard and each year we pray a Novena of Prayer asking God to grant a miracle of healing through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, which could further his cause for Canonisation.

Please pray the Novena during the nine days from August 18 until August 26. It can be prayed in the parish or at home.

Novena Prayer for the Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi

O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request.

We pray that you will in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

*Mary, Mother of Holy Hope, Pray for Us.
 Saint John Henry Newman, Pray for Us.
 Blessed Dominic Barberi, Pray for Us.*