



SAINT JOSEPH WITH SAINTS AIDAN & OSWALD

PARISH LIFE

When I arrived at the parish, we gathered together for a parish meeting and looked at three specific areas: 1), **what is good about our parishes**; 2) **what do others think about us**; 3) **what do we wish to share with the local community**. This gave me an insight into our parishes and perhaps a direction we can humbly travel together guided by the Holy Spirit.

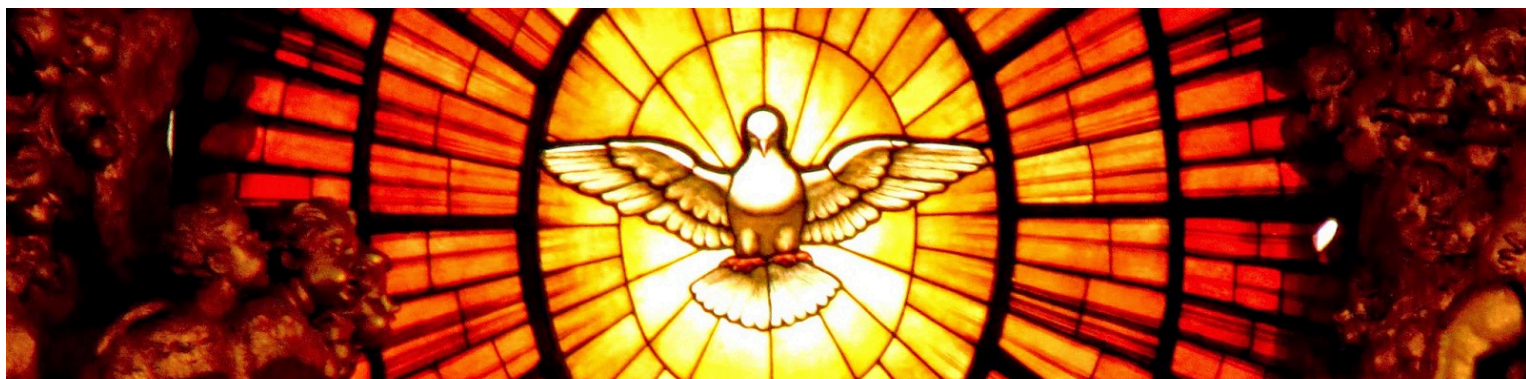
This led me to wanting to re-start/ begin a Parish Council: a group made up of individuals from both parishes who would come together and discuss parish life and mission, and how we can implement things.

This week I will be writing to invite people of the parish to join the Parish Council. This is something I have prayed about and the people I have chosen possess certain skills and gifts which will enhance

decision making. All major decisions going forward will include both parishes and all parishioners as I wish you to feel that *'things are done with you, and not to you'*.

It will also be a time to reflect on each of our own gifts and talents and how we can employ them for service in the Church and community.

We will grow in friendship with one another and 100% have some fun.



Date	Time, Church	Liturgy	Other
Monday 18th August	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre
Tuesday 19th August <i>St. John Eudes, Priest</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	10am-12noon, SSAO: Welcome Centre 7-9pm, SSAO: AA
Wednesday 20th August <i>St. Bernard, Abbot</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	7pm, SJ: RCIA
Thursday 21st August <i>Pope Pius X</i>	8.30am, SSAO 9am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	9.30am, SSAO: Knit&Natter 7-9pm, SSAO: AA 7.30pm, SSAO: Credit Union
Friday 22nd August <i>Our Lady, Mother and Queen</i>	9am, SSAO 9.30am, SSAO 10am, SJ	Adoration & Rosary Eucharistic Service Mass	
Saturday 23rd August <i>St. Rose of Lima, Virgin</i>	10am SJ 10.30am-11am, SJ 11.30am-12noon, SSAO 5pm-5.20pm, SSAO 5.30pm, SSAO	Mass Confession Confession Confession (vigil) Mass	2pm, SSAO: Baptism
Sunday 24th August <i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am, SSAO 11am, SJ	Mass Mass	12noon, Baptism 7-9pm, SSAO: AA

PIETY STALL

The piety stalls in both parishes are well stocked with cards for all occasions, statues, gifts, and religious artefacts. We can also order items that you may be interested in.

I've contact the Catholic Truth Society (CTS) who will be providing literature on the Saints, teaching of the Church, and devotions.

BH PILGRIMAGE

We have a full pilgrimage for our trip to the North East.

Sunday 24th August: Meeting at St. Joseph's Parish Centre after the 11am Mass (please bring a packed lunch). **Departing at 12:45.**

AWAY

I'm away next week for a few days. I am contactable by email.

WELCOME CENTRE

Thank you for your generosity in responding to the request for donations. It is greatly appreciated and much needed.

BAPTISM

We welcome **George** into the Catholic Church and our parish family as he is baptised this weekend.

SVP

If you are in need of financial or material help during the summer, please contact our SVP Groups:

'turning concern into action'

SJ: Chris 07850 696676

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MASSES RECEIVED



General: Winifred & Wilfred Tootill, Ortiz, Harry Du Bois (4), Margaret Gidley (4), Charles Gidley (2), Charlton, and Prendergast families, Michael Madeline Gidley (2), Charles Gidley Jnr (2), Annie Crowley Sweeny, Josephine O'Donhue, William (2), Eileen Crowley (2), Brian Crowley (2), Marie Du Bois Slicker, Paul Carroll, Margaret Whatmough (2), James Crowley

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday: St John Eudes

He was born and died in Normandy. He was ordained priest and spent many years preaching parish missions. He set up religious congregations and helped to form men for the priesthood.

Tuesday: St Bernard

He was born near Dijon, in France, in 1090, of a noble family. In 1112 he joined the new Cistercian monastery at Cîteaux, and from there founded many others.

Wednesday: Pope St Pius X

He was born near Venice, one of ten children of a very poor family. In his time as Pope, he sought to "restore all things in Christ."

"Find truth and serve it"

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Thurs.: Our Lady, Mother & Queen

The doctrine of the Assumption was promulgated in 1950, with its feast on 15 August. As was normal for the greater feasts, this celebration was echoed for a week afterwards, and today's memorial of Our Lady, Mother and Queen, marks the conclusion of that period of celebration.

Friday: St Rose of Lima

She was born in Lima, in Peru. She lived a life of selflessness and devotion from an early age. She refused to marry, and became a Dominican tertiary at the age of 20. Leaving a legacy of asceticism and intense spiritual experiences

MASSES

I was asked recently if I celebrate Mass on my day off. The Mass is the most powerful prayer we can pray - both the priest and people. Needless to say I do celebrate Mass on my day off.

Mass is when Calvary is re-presented; Christ is made present 'Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity'; and we receive the pledge of the life to come. Martyrs have died for the Mass, Missionaries have left home and family to bring the Eucharist to the four corners of the world, men have given their life to become priests to have the Mass celebrated. To have a Mass offered for a loved one - alive or deceased - brings many graces and benefits. If you would like to have a Mass offered please write the name of the intention on an envelope and a donation for the Mass, and it will be celebrated. We always remember the **Lately Dead**: Eileen Widdall, Eleanor Nelson, Myrtle Kenyon, Tommy Weir

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Your donations are greatly appreciated and helps to keep the parishes missioning

'I have not come to give peace but division.' (Luke: 12:49-53)

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