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**SACRED HEART FATHERS**

*Fr. Jim Matthews, scj - Fr Blaise Nsangou, scj - Deacon Terry Simms*

**30 August - 6 September 2020**

<b>Weekend Masses</b>	<b>Sunday (Vigil)</b>	05.00 pm	Vera Hogan - Anniversary
	<b>Sunday</b>	11.30 am	People of the parish
	Monday, Thursday	<b>No 12 noon Mass</b>	
	Saturday	<b>No 12 noon Mass</b>	
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	12 noon	Peter Jenkins (Anniversary)
	<b>Wednesday</b>	12 noon	Kathryn – Special Intention.
	<b>Friday</b>	12 noon	Book of Remembrance. SCJ RIP
Weekend Masses	Sunday (Vigil)	05.00 pm	Alan Gell Ints. Parishioners
	Sunday	11.30 am	Bernadette Taylor Intentions

**SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY OBLIGATION** – The faithful are dispensed from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays. The Bishops encourage the use of livestreamed Mass, the encouragement of prayer in the home and acts of spiritual communion for those unable to attend.

**Website / Facebook / Zoom:** When you visit our Website you will find we are on Facebook, and find details of how to join our parish coffee zoom on Sundays at 1.30 pm

**Please maintain these simple rules to ensure we are all kept safe in church.**

1. If you wish to light a candle please use the candles placed on the round table for you and light it from the already lit candle.
2. Please do not touch any of the statues.
3. Numbers may have to be limited to 50 for social distancing.
4. Presently the majority of us have to wear **face coverings** in **CHURCH**.
5. **SOME KNEELERS ARE TAPED UP** – because of social distancing in the bench ahead of you!!!!!!!!!!!!
6. On leaving the church please take all of your belongings and any papers you have used with you.
7. Please leave church via the side door, top righthand corner, where hand sanitiser is also available.

**As you appreciate and observe the role of our STEWARDS, who keep us safe and well, please let us know if you or any other healthy person could / would volunteer to help us out.**

Lead Stewards - John Humphries / Dominic Wells / Fr Jim

**Online giving to the Parish** of St Joseph's for those Parishioners who normally give in the collection at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page to allow you to donate to the Parish has been created for us.

<https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stjosephstockportdioceseofshrewsbury2183>.

Please be aware that a minimum donation of £5 is requested if giving in this way. If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please tick the box shown on the screen even if you have previously completed a Gift Aid Declaration form in favour of the Parish for regular giving made by Offertory Envelope or Standing Order. Also **Standing Order** forms are available in church or by post. Thanks for your support. Frs Blaise & Jim

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of year A Jeremiah 20:7-9** · *The word of the Lord has meant insult for me*

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

**R. For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.**

Psalm 62(63):2-6,8-9

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.

**R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.

**R.**

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

**R.**

For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

**R.**

**Romans 12:1-2** · *Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice*

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

**Alleluia, alleluia!** May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Ep1:17,18

**Matthew 16:21-27** · *'Get behind me, Satan!'*

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

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**We continue to pray for** Betty McIntosh & Patricia Mounsey (Lisburn Court), Maureen McCumesky (Bruce Lodge), Bernadette Taylor (Wythenshawe Hospital), Robyn Gibbons (Australia), Clare Graham and Margaret Wooley (both nee Kenny), Gerard Kenny, Margaret Edwards, Vera Henderson, Tina Labella, James Hayward, Alan Gell, Eleanor Mulvey.

**Our School will reopen** on Wednesday. As in June, our **Car Park** will be used by parents to present their children to a member of staff, who, in loco parentis, will take care of them for the rest of the school day. At the end of the school day that member of staff will present the children back to their parents /guardians. The Car Park will be out of bounds to motorists from **8.30 to 9.30** and from **2.30 to 3.30**.