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SACRED HEART FATHERS

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

Retiring collection next weekend for **Clergy Education & Training Fund**

Saturday	6	5.00 pm	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	Eileen McCann (Months Mind)
Sunday	7	11.30 am	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	Celia Meehan intentions
Monday	8	12 noon	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	Joe Fleming (30th Anniversary)
Tuesday	9	12 noon	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	Seamus Thompson (Anniversary)
Wednesday	10	12 noon	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	
Thursday	11	12 noon	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	
Friday	12	12 noon	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	
Saturday	13	12 noon	John Ferguson	(25th Anniversary)
		5.00 pm	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	
Sunday	14	11.30 am	NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS	James Meehan (30th Anniversary)

We pray for Our sick: Marion Williams, Maureen Coyle, Celia Meehan, Simon Glenn, Gerry and Nius McGettrick, Graham Hindson, Terry Kenny, Harry Groarke, Margaret Runcieman, James Hayward, Bernadette Taylor, Alwyn McCann, Teresa Grice, Winifred Leanaghan, Evelyn Neary, Vera Henderson, Margaret Wooley (nee Kenny), Eleanor Mulvey, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh, Patricia Mounsey, Tina Labella, Maureen McCumesky. **Lately Dead:** Fr John Gaul, scj, Sean Durkin (Bolton).

Anniversaries: Joe Fleming, Seamus Thompson, John Ferguson, James Meehan, Bro Francis Murphy, scj

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS, enclosed in an envelope, are available in church. Kindly place your completed list and offering in the envelope and place it in the collection basket or post it through the Presbytery letter box. The 5.00 pm / 11.30 am / 12 noon mass throughout November will be offered for the deceased persons specified on the lists. Anniversaries / Recently Deceased will be added. At St Joseph's we shall also be remembering the November Dead Lists from St John's, especially Fr John Gaul, scj

Fr John Gaul, scj RIP 06/01/1934 – 18/10/2021. Professed 19/03/1953. Ordained 08/12/1958. Fr John is survived by his twin sister Grace Carter (Southampton), his younger sister Anne Fullen (Pateley Bridge) and sister Jane (Castle Douglas). Our prayers go out to them and their families.

Reception into St Joseph's: Tuesday 16th November, at 6.00 pm. Requiem Mass at St Joseph's on Wednesday 17th at 12 noon. Burial on Wednesday at 2.45, approximately, at Malpas cemetery, Chester Road, SY14 8HT

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Stepping Hill Hospital is closed to visitors due to **Coronavirus infections in Stockport**. We ask parishioners/congregation not to enter the Sacristy. If anyone needs to use the toilet facilities please take extra care, wear a face mask and sanitise your hands before and after entering the Sacristy.

Our **Saturday morning café** is up and running again from 10am to 1pm. Entrance from Etchells Street. However, it will not be open on Saturday 27th November. On that day about 40 young people from the Stockport Confirmation group will use it between 12 noon and 5 pm.

Our **Confirmation programme** continues at Our Lady and the Apostles social Club / Lounge this Wednesday 10th November at 7.00pm. The address is: Shaw Hearth, Edgeley, SK3 8BQ.

1 Kings 17:10-16 . '*Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied'*

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring me a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: "Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son.

The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

Psalm 145

R. My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free

R.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.

R.

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

R.

Hebrews 9:24-28 *Christ, our high priest, has done away with sin by sacrificing himself*

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia! Rv2:10

Mark 12:38-44

This poor widow has put in more than all

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive'.

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

Invitation to a Special Memorial Mass at Our Lady's Shaw Heath, Stockport SK3 8BQ, Thursday 25th November at 7.00pm: The Mass is in memory of all our friends, relatives and parishioners who have died during the Covid 19 pandemic. "Once this health crisis passes.... God willing ... after all this, we will think no longer in terms of "them" and "those" but only "us". Pope Francis. (Arranged by the Society of St Vincent de Paul, Cheshire, Stockport & Tameside).

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Pause for Hope: is a prayer Initiative for dealing with cancer. Service taking place at St Columba's Church Plas Newton Lane, Chester, CH2 1PL on Sunday 14th November at 3pm