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SACRED HEART FATHERS

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

Saturday	15	<b>5.00</b> pm	Frank Wilson RIP	<b>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</b>
Sunday	16	<b>11.30 am</b>	Tom Wallis RIP.	Filipino Community intentions.
Monday	17	12 noon	Patrick Broadhurst	Recently Deceased
Tuesday	18	12 noon	Helen Tarplee	Recently Deceased
Wednesday	19	12 noon	Tom Ah-Tou RIP	9th Anniversary
Thursday	20	12 noon	Mary Groarke	
Friday	21	12 noon	Bernard Wild	Birthday Remembrance
Saturday	22	<b>5.00</b> pm	Father Blaise Nsangou, scj	22nd Anniversary of Ordination.
Sunday	23	<b>11.30 am</b>	Sandra Mooney intentions	<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</b>

**FUNERAL SERVICES IN CHURCH this week**

**Tuesday 10.15** Bernadette Fitzgerald  
**Friday 12 noon** Terry Spence

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.  
and let perpetual light shine upon them,  
may they rest in peace. Amen*

**Please note there will be no 12 noon Mass on Saturdays of January, as Frs Blaise and Jim are helping out in other parishes. 12 noon Mass as usual on other weekdays at St Joseph's.**

**Lately Dead:** Bernadette Fitzgerald, Terry Spence, Patrick Broadhurst, Helen Tarplee, Tony Morris, Ashling Murphy - 23 year old daughter, sister, teacher and musician murdered broad daylight in Tullamore, Ireland.  
**Anniversaries:** Tom Ah-Tou, Bernard Wild.

**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Stockport**

**Governors are advertising for a new Headteacher.**

**The closing date for applications is 24th January 2022.**

**For further information please visit one of the following websites -**

**School [www.st-josephs-pri.stockport.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs-pri.stockport.sch.uk)**

**Diocese [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/vacancies/primary](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/vacancies/primary)**

**Local Authority [www.stockport.gov.uk/job-vacancies](http://www.stockport.gov.uk/job-vacancies)**

**We are collecting used Christmas cards.** Please leave them in the church or Parish Hall. They will be refurbished into cards to be given to prisoners to give to their families, including their children, in December 2022. The "private messages" will be separated off. What remains is a front picture – religious and non religious. That front picture would be mounted by children onto another card and thus a new card created. The mini vinnies and youth SVP in 7 schools in the Diocese have worked on such cards during last term and the 2020 cards went to Berwyn prison near Wrexham so that guys inside could give a card to mothers, children, partners, whoever, when being visited. Others who had no family and no friends mounted them on their cell walls.

**Santo Niño de Cebú** is the title of the Child Jesus associated with a religious image of the Christ Child widely venerated as miraculous by Filipino Catholics. It is the oldest Christian artifact in the Philippines. It depicts the Child Jesus, with a serene countenance, in the attitude and dress of a Spanish monarch. The annual feast of Sinulog is held today in its honor. The original image is permanently encased behind bulletproof glass inside its chapel within the Minor Basilica del Santo Niño

**SUPPLICATIONS TO SANTO NIÑO** Response after each supplication: R. Santo Nino, help us  
In every need let us come to you with humble trust. R. Santo Nino, help us.

**Isaiah 62:1-5** ·

*The bridegroom rejoices in his bride*

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken', nor your land 'Abandoned', but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

**Psalm 95**

**R/** *Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.*

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **R/**  
Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. **R/**  
Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory & power; give the Lord the glory of his name. **R/**  
Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R/**

**1 Corinthians 12:4-11** ·

*The Spirit distributes gifts to different people just as he chooses*

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

**John 2:1-11**

*'My hour has not come yet' - 'Do whatever he tells you'*

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water', and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now' he told them 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from – only the servants who had drawn the water knew – the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.' This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

A vacancy for a **Clergy Welfare Officer** has arisen within the Diocese – The role of the clergy welfare officer is to work with and supervise the welfare assistant to support and assist priests who are approaching retirement and those already in retirement, or on sick leave. The clergy welfare officer will provide, advice, practical assistance, and support on a wide range of issues including health, finances and housing. Hours: 21 hours a week. Salary £38,000-£42,000 FTE pro-rata'd dependant on experience and qualifications. Closing date Friday 11 February. For further details please see <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> completed applications to be sent to Pauline McCulloch [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

**Face coverings are a legal requirement in all churches and places of worship**, unless a person is exempt or has a reasonable excuse. Let us look out for each other!