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**SACRED HEART FATHERS**

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

Saturday	23	1.45 pm	<b>Our Ukrainian Community</b> Blessing of Easter baskets.	
Saturday	23	5 pm	George Carr Recently Deceased. Fr Jim Feeney, scj Anniversary	
Sunday	24	11.30 am	Ann Rush Anniversary	
Sunday	24	1.30 pm	<b>Our Ukrainian Community</b> Easter Sunday Mass	
Monday	25	12 noon	Clifford Christopher Marsh RIP	<b>St Mark.</b>
Tuesday	26	12 noon	Lee Rogers RIP - son in law of Pauline & Geoff Barker	<b>St George.</b>
Wednesday	27	12 noon	Deceased members of the Smalley family	
Thursday	28	12 noon	Frania & Alan Gell special intentions.	
Friday	29	12 noon	Mary Ryan intentions	
Saturday	30	5 pm	People of the parish.	Sunday 1st May 11.30 am Tina Labella intentions.

**We pray for our sick:** John Jenkins (nephew of Margaret Simms), his family and Macmillan nurses, Vera Henderson, Mary McTigue, Catherine Neuman (sister of John Humphries), Deacon Bernard McConnell, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Hayan Fletcher, Frank Hollingworth, John McCormick, Tina Labella, Margaret Runcieman, Sandra Mooney, Roy Curran, Teresa Grice, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Graham Hindson, Alwyn McCann, Winifred Leanaghan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh, Patricia Mounsey. **Anniversaries:** Ann Rush, Joyce Hannon, Fr Jim Feeney, scj

**FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY:** You are invited to **Our Lady and the Apostles, Shaw Heath, Stockport, SK3 8BQ, this Sunday, 24th April.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions will commence from 3pm. The Divine Chaplet will be prayed at 3.15pm and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated at 3.30pm. The Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet can be found at <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena> Divine Mercy booklets / leaflets available.

**Prayers please for Pauline and Geoff Barker's family**

We ask you to pray for Pauline and Geoff Barker's family, especially their daughter Sarah and her daughter. Sarah's husband, Lee Rogers, was flying in a small aircraft on Saturday 2nd April. This plane went missing over the British Channel and as yet has not been recovered. God of Mercy and Compassion look after Sarah and her family and give them strength to live through this difficult time. Amen

**FOOTSTEPS.** Do come on **Thursday 19 May at 7.30pm to St Peter's parish centre, Green Lane, Hazel Grove. SK7 4EA** to hear **Mary Hardiman** present her thoughts on "What I want is mercy". Always a captivating and thought provoking speaker, Mary will be looking at what mercy means and how it reflects the heart of God. She will offer examples from the gospels and suggestions on how we can practise mercy. Footsteps is a series of talks by people who can help us on our Christian journey. There's an informal café-style setting with refreshments, nibbles and a pleasant community feel.

**Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality** zoom meeting 27th April at 7.30pm. Meeting ID: 831 5526 5809 <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83155265809?pwd=K2VHbVVUMXJZdHFqYmg3T2pKcWJCZz09>  
 Register your attendance / make any requests for the password, apologies or items for the agenda to [secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk](mailto:secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk) or text/call 07451 249267. The agenda / minutes: <https://teamshrewsbury.wordpress.com/agm-and-committee-meeting-agendas-and-minutes/>  
 You can also call in if you don't have access to zoom: +44 131 460 1196 United Kingdom

**Divine Mercy Sunday****(2nd Sunday of Easter)****Acts 5:12-16***The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily*

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

**Psalm 117***R/ Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.***Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19** · *I was dead, and now I am to live for ever and ever*

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia! Jn 20:29

**John 20:19-31***Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them*

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

**Walsingham 2022** We start with Mass at 8:15am on Monday 9th May 2022 at St Joseph's.

The coach will depart at 9am. As the friendly farmer has closed permanently, we have struggled to find a stop for lunch so will be stopping slightly earlier than usual at the Mansfield McArthur Glen outlet as there are plenty of food outlets. You are of course welcome to bring a sandwich.

On the departure day you will receive your room card and an information booklet.

Any questions please contact Shelagh Humphries 07853176698.

**Regina Caeli** prayer, available at the back of church for private use or in public before 12 noon Mass