

St Joseph's RC Church

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16th October 2022 - 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 15 th	5pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 16 th	11.30am	Deceased members of the Meehan & Quinn Families
Monday 17 th	9.45am 12 noon	Requiem Mass for Veronica (Vera) Henderson All our Benefactors
Tuesday 18 th	12 noon	Pat Harrison RIP
Wednesday 19 th	12 noon	For Vocations to the Priesthood
Thursday 20 th	12 noon	Tim Ball RIP
Friday 21 st	12 noon	Vera Henderson RIP
Saturday 22 nd	12 noon 5pm	Inaugural Mass of St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine For the people of the parish
Sunday 23 rd	11.30am	Pauline Foley RIP

Mass Intentions: Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you would like to request a Mass said for your intentions. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. If the date you require is for the following week, please make sure you return your envelope to the presbytery by Thursday morning.

Adoration and Confessions: Monday to Friday at 11.30am.

We pray for our sick: Carmel Mayo, Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Haydan Fletcher, John McCormick, Tina Labella, Sandra Mooney, Roy Curran, Teresa Grice, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Alwyn McCann, Winifred Leanaghan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh.

Anniversaries: We remember all those who anniversaries occur at this time.

Recently Deceased: We pray for all those who have died recently

Perpetual Adoration: The inaugural Mass for St Joseph's as a Eucharistic Shrine will take place next Saturday October 22nd at 12pm. We would like to begin perpetual adoration throughout the course of the day on weekdays. In order to have prolonged exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, we need to first find a sufficient number of adorers. If you would be willing to commit to spending one hour per week with Jesus between 9am and 7pm on any day from Monday to Friday please email us at stockportshrine@gmail.com

Online Donation page: we now have an online donation page to enable donations to be made by card – this option is for both you Offertory offering and for donations towards the restoration of the Church. Scan the QR code on the posters at the back of church or visit our websites which link to it. Thank you.

Gift Aid: please remember that if you are a tax payer and you 'gift aid' your donation, HMRC will give us 25% for every pound donated. It is also possible to 'gift aid' donations made through the online donation page.

Sky Dive Fundraiser: Angela Canning, a parishioner of St Ann's, will be doing a SkyDive on October 30th. She will be very kindly donating all of the proceeds raised to St Joseph's. She decided to do this after visiting our beloved church and seeing how greatly it is in need of repair and restoration. For details on how to support her please visit: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/leapoffaithstjosephs>

Bistro San Jose: Come along for Food and Fellowship 10am-1pm in the Parish Hall every Saturday. All welcome.

Parish Emailing list: if you would like to be included in our parish emailing list, please email us stockportshrine@gmail.com.

Parish Photos / Records: As part of the ongoing development of St Joseph's, we would like to gather information about St Joseph's and its history. If you have any records, photographs of the church or of events

eg Weddings, Baptisms, First Communions that you would like to share, please bring them in and give to Fr Sean.

Kind request: Please do not leave your unwanted religious items, prayer cards, and books on the tables at the back of the church. It is very untidy. If you want to donate a book please ask the priest first. Thank you.

Events Team: We are setting up an events team that will be tasked with organising social events and trips for parishioners of all ages, but primarily focussed on young people. The aim is to build a community around the church as a centre for Eucharistic adoration. The ideas for trips and events will come from parishioners, and may also involve other local churches. If you would like to be part of the team, please contact Justin Idehen by phone on 07563 626731, or by email at Justin.idehen@btinternet.com as soon as possible. We are planning to have meetings as soon as practicable, and these can be online to accommodate any young team members who cannot always attend in person.”

St Bernadette: Many have said how moving it was to venerate the relics of Saint Bernadette. Next year, will be the 90th anniversary of her Canonisation, on Dec 8th, 1933. To commemorate this, the Department for Evangelisation is planning a Conference and preparing a booklet, and would like to hear from anyone with a story to tell. It could be about the visit of the relics, or a pilgrimage to Lourdes; the cure of a friend, or a family member; or simply what Bernadette means to them. No story is too small - yours could be a source of great encouragement to others. So don't hesitate to get in touch, either by calling Barbara Davies on 07730526 821 or by emailing StBernadette2033@gmail.com

World Mission Sunday 23rd October 2022: At Masses next weekend there will be a collection for World Mission Sunday. On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world living in situations of poverty and privation. The theme chosen by the Holy Father is: 'You shall be my witnesses' (Acts 1:8). In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis says: 'The essence of mission is to bear witness to Christ, that is, to his life, passion, death and resurrection for the love of the father and of humanity.' All donations go to the Universal Solidarity Fund in order to meet the material needs of Catholic communities too young, too small or too poor to support themselves. Donations help them to live out the mission entrusted to them by the Lord. Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. Please do all you can to celebrate this day in solidarity with the whole Church. For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit missio.org.uk/wms

Exodus 17:8-13: The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

Responsorial Psalm: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made earth and heaven

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2: You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it.

Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

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!**

Luke 18:1-8: Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'" And the Lord said 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'