

St Joseph's RC Church

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2nd April 2023 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 1 st April	5pm	James Connolly
Sunday 2 nd	11.30am	Emma Slater
Monday 3 rd	12 noon	For all our Benefactors
Tuesday 4 th	12 noon	Patricia Connolly
Wednesday 5 th	12 noon	Philip Read-Shaw RIP
Thursday 6 th	7pm	Deceased members of the Family Bergonzi
Good Friday 7 th	3pm Service 7pm Stations of the Cross	
Easter Vigil Saturday 8 th	8pm	For all of our parishioners
Easter Sunday 9 th	11.30am	Charles Van-Rosi
Daily Schedule	Monday-Tuesday	Wednesday
Mass	12 noon	12 noon
Eucharistic Adoration Benediction	7am-7pm 6.45pm	7am-12 noon
Confessions	11am-11.45am 6pm-6.30pm	11am-11.45am
Rosary for Vocations	6.30pm	

Adoration: You are welcome to come anytime during Adoration to spend time with Jesus. If you would be willing to commit to spending one hour per week please email us: stockportshrine@gmail.com with your preferred day and time. Please note that Adoration will stop at 12 noon on Wednesday 5th and will start again on Easter Tuesday (11th April) at 7am.

We pray for our sick: Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Maureen Burke, Linda Abel, Patrick O'Neill, Ged Gibbons, Cora Tierney, Mary O'Brien, Laurie Glenn, Carmel Mayo, Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, John McCormick,, Sandra Mooney, Roy Curran, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh.

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

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

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. Please note that we are several months ahead with Mass Intentions and our current intentions take us up to June. If you require a specific date we will try our best to do that date or as near it as possible. Thank you.

Money matters: We received £640.99 in the collection last week. Thank you very much.

Lily for the Altar: If you would like to make a donation towards a Lily for the Altar at Easter, please put your donation in an envelope and place in the offertory baskets or through the presbytery door. Thank you.

*****Please do not leave your car in the car park on Sundays after 3pm. The gates are often locked in the early afternoon and your car risks being locked in overnight. Thank you.*****

Offertory Envelopes for 2023/24 are now ready for collection, they are at the back of church and in alphabetical surname order, and run from weekend 8th/9th April 2023. If anyone wishes to join the scheme, a list is at the back of church, please write your details, name, address, contact number and email address, also please indicate if you are a UK Taxpayer and wish to join the Gift Aid scheme, which enables the parish to claim 25% on every UK pound you donate. Anyone wishing to donate via Standing Order, please complete one of the forms, also at the back of church, once completed please give the form to your bank. If anyone has had a change in address, change in circumstances or would like to know more, please contact Rosemary on 07977002396. Thank you.

Fundraising Walk: Stephen Gallagher is walking from Stockport to Walsingham to help to raise funds towards the restoration of our roof at St Joseph's. Stephen began his walk on Friday 31st March and is aiming to arrive in Walsingham on Thursday 6th April. His walk will average out at a marathon per day for 7 days. You can still support Stephen and help him to raise funds by donating on his justgiving page. <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/stephengallagherstockporttowalsingham>

Celebrating Divine Mercy: on Monday 17th April 7pm – 8.30pm we will have an evening of Praise & Worship, Talk and Adoration with Guest Speaker Daniella Stephens. "Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from Him and find grace when we are in need of help" (Hebrews 4:16) All are welcome.

Walsingham 2023: The balance of your Walsingham payment is due NOW. If payment is by cheque or cash please hand this in to Father Sean or myself at church in an envelope marked for my attention. Cheques should be made payable to SRCDT St Joseph Stockport. Bank transfer should be made into the parish account using the reference Walsingham 2023: Account number: 54672068 Sort code:30-15-52. If paying by bank transfer please email shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com to advise you have paid this way. There are a couple of last minute cancellations so if anyone is still interested in going please ring Shelagh on 07853 176698.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bookings are now open for this years Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Overland pilgrimage will depart on 27 July returning on 4 August. By air will depart from Liverpool airport on 28 July returning on 3 August. Details available on the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk. Young pilgrims (aged 16 - 22) who wish to join us in Lourdes, to assist and serve the sick and elderly pilgrims please contact Sandy Fairley at the Youth Mission Team youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org for more details.

Online course on Vatican II: Part III The Church. The first podcast on *Lumen Gentium* is now available at dioceseofshrewsbury.org. together with **3 handouts for downloading or printing:** An Introduction to *LG*; A visual presentation of its 8 chapters; An outline of issues addressed in it. A **leaflet** outlining the content of all of the podcasts in the series is available in the parish. Should you have difficulty accessing this material, any questions or reflections, please don't hesitate to call Barbara Davies on 07730 526821.

Vacancy: The Diocese is looking to recruit a Youth Mission Team Member to engage with young people in schools and parishes across the Shrewsbury Diocese, based in Stockport. For more information please visit <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies>. Closing date Fri 7 April.

SVP Membership Support Officer (MSO) The SVP would like to recruit a MSO for the Shrewsbury Diocese. A part time role (15 hours per week) working as part of the SVP Membership Team, to support member recruitment and development, provide general support for members and be the link between local Conferences and National Office. Home based but requires the ability to travel around the diocese to make recruitment appeals, work with existing groups, attend meetings and meet with interested parties where appropriate. Own transport essential and travel expenses are paid. For further information and details of how to apply, contact Lance Philpott, Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk Closing date for applications is Sunday 16th April 2023.

Concert: On the evening of Good Friday, April 7th, Manchester-based Charity Manchester Baroque will be playing at Manchester Cathedral to perform Bach's St. John Passion with Manchester Cathedral Choir, one of the most moving pieces of music ever written, performed for the occasion in the Church calendar for which it was originally written. Tickets start at £10 plus booking fees. See bit.ly/3gX4dGe for details.

Ladyewell Shrine - St Chad's are organising a Day Pilgrimage to Ladyewell Shrine, Preston on Saturday 15th July. The coach will leave from St Chad's at 9.30am, returning to St Chad's by approx. 4.30pm. Cost is £15 per person (to cover coach cost and donation to the Shrine). Bring a packed lunch. Tea/Coffee provided. If you would like to go please email stchadsheadle@gmail.com.