

St Joseph's RC Church

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8th October 2023 – 27th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 7 th	5pm	David Barden RIP	
Sunday 8 th 27 th Sunday Year A	11.30am	For the people of the parish	
Monday 9 th <i>St John Henry Newman</i>	12 noon	Diane Shields	
Tuesday 10 th	12 noon	Mike & Nora Lyons RIP	
Wednesday 11 th	12 noon	John Phelan RIP	
Thursday 12 th <i>St Wilfred</i>	12 noon	Henry Lyons RIP	
Friday 13 th <i>St Edward the Confessor</i>	12 noon	For all our Benefactors	
Saturday 14 th	5pm	Deceased members of The Riley Family	
Sunday 15 th 28 th Sunday Year A	11.30am	Steve Conlon	
Daily Schedule	Monday-Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mass	12 noon	5pm	11.30am
Eucharistic Adoration Benediction	7am-7pm 6.45pm		
Confessions	11am-11.45am 6pm-6.30pm	4pm-4.45pm	10.30am-11am
Rosary for Vocations	6.30pm		11am

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, Jack Morgan, Maddie Makonyola, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Maureen Burke, Linda Abel, 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, Roy Curran, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Robyn Gibbons, Betty McIntosh, Nathan Hatfield, Alan Gell, Angela Mullin.

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

Recently Deceased: We pray for 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 behind with Mass Intentions and we are now including Mass Intentions received in February time. 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 £734.15 in the collection last weekend. Thank you very much.

SYCAMORE COURSE: Continuing this week and over the next 12 weeks. You may have already heard of this excellent video-based resource for exploring the Christian mysteries. All parishioners are welcome to join us in the parish hall at 7pm on Monday evenings for this time of faith formation and fellowship. Feel free to dip in and out of the sessions. No commitments. Duration: an hour or so. The course will also serve as part of our **RCIA** preparation for all those who would like to be baptised or received into full communion with the Catholic Church next Easter. It will be a nice opportunity for you to get to know them and make them feel welcome. **Session 3: Creation, Fall, Salvation.**

CAFOD Family Fast Day: was Friday 6th October. Please return your envelope with your offering in the offertory basket. Thank you.

Catholic Mothers group: Inviting all Mothers, Grandmother's, God Mothers and Spiritual Mothers who would like to deepen their faith in a relaxed environment. Every **Friday** in term time 10:30am at St Joseph's Presbytery beginning 15th September. Children most welcome. Any queries please contact Laura laura.wilson448@gmail.com

Vacancies: *Corpus Christi Catholic Academy Trust* is looking to appoint: **Isolation Manager** at Saint Paul's Catholic High School – closing date 27 October 23 at 12 noon. **Admin SIMS Data Officer** at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Sale- closing date for application 11 October 23 at 12 noon. Application packs are available from the Trust's website: www.corpuschristitrust.co.uk/

St Philip's Catholic Primary School is looking to appoint an inspirational and dedicated Headteacher from January 2024. More information can be found at educationshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies

Catholic Youth Ministry Internships: Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Youth Service) are looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their Youth Ministry Internship Programme. The scheme lasts for one or two years and gives participants wide ranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the Lake District. For more information contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Remembrance Book: If you require an entry in the remembrance book, please see the remembrance book forms on the table at the back of church. Please record in print the name and date of death of the person you wish to remember, your own name and contact number. Please allow sufficient time for the entry to be made for your requested anniversary of death. A small donation is usually made, if possible, to St Joseph's parish. Thank you.

Stockport Male Voice Choir Christmas Concert: Save the date! Saturday 16th December at 7pm in the Church Hall. Tickets cost £8 – includes mulled wine and mince pie) and will be available soon. All proceeds will go towards the restoration fund.

Pilgrimage Walk, English Camino 2024: Manchester to Walsingham, beginning on Saturday 16th March from St Josephs Tatton Street, Stockport, arriving in Walsingham on Saturday 23rd March. The walk will be approximately 170 miles over 8 days. It is a serious undertaking and we are planning preparation walks to build the strength required. We will also need a support team to help with driving a support van/cooking meals. If you are interested in either walking or being a part of a support team please get in touch with Simon simon.leigh@allensaccountants.com

Isaiah 5:1-7 Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel

Philippians 4:6-9: There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation: I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Matthew 21:33-43: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'