

## St Joseph's RC Church

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**15<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Year A**

### Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	Deceased members of The Riley Family	
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> 28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year A	11.30am	Steve Conlon	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Elizabeth & Geraldine	
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> St Ignatius of Antioch	12 noon	John	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Bridget Ann Regan	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Ss John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues and their companions	12 noon	Monica Szal RIP	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	For all our Benefactors	
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	5pm	The Charles Family	
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Year A	11.30am	Michael Hennessy	
<b>Daily Schedule</b>	<b>Monday-Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Mass</b>	12 noon	5pm	11.30am
<b>Eucharistic Adoration Benediction</b>	7am-7pm 6.45pm		
<b>Confessions</b>	11am-11.45am 6pm-6.30pm	4pm-4.45pm	10.30am-11am
<b>Rosary for Vocations</b>	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 £591.37 in the collection last weekend and £451.30 for CAFOD. Next weekend (21/22) we will have a second collection for World Mission Sunday. Thank you.

**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. The next session **Creation, Fall, Salvation.**

**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 15<sup>th</sup> September. Children most welcome. Any queries please contact Laura [laura.wilson448@gmail.com](mailto:laura.wilson448@gmail.com)

**St Joseph's Primary School:** is holding a number of opening mornings and an open evening on Monday 16th October at 9.30am and also Tuesday 28th November at 9.30am and 6.30pm – 7.30pm. Come along and see our wonderful school! **ALSO** the school are in need of two foundation governors. You must be a practising Catholic and will need to provide a reference from your parish priest. For more information, please call the school office on 0161 480 5029.

**Shrewsbury Diocese Catechetical Conference:** Saturday 21st October beginning at 10am, 'A Witness of Faith and a Keeper of the Memory of God' (Directory of Catechesis, 139) will be held at Saint Columba's Church Hall, Chester. This event will be presented by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Joseph and the Mission for Catechesis Team. All catechists from Shrewsbury Diocese are warmly invited to attend. For further details and to book please follow: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/shrewsbury-diocese-catechetical-conference-tickets-668676157387>

**Vacancies: Parish Secretary/Admin Support** based at of Sacred Heart, Whaley Bridge, SK23 7AG. Initially 5 hours per week @ £13 per hour. Closing date: 3 November 2023. CV's should be sent to Canon Michael Gannon [michael.gannon7@ntlworld.com](mailto:michael.gannon7@ntlworld.com). Further details <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

**Remembrance Book:** 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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. 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](mailto:simon.leigh@allensaccountants.com)

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**Isaiah 25:6-10:** On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

**Responsorial Psalm:** In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

**Philippians 4:12-14,19-20:** I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation:** The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

**Matthew 22:1-14:** Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'