

## St Joseph's RC Church

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**26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Feast of Christ the King Year A**

### Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	For the People of the Parish	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> <i>Christ the King</i>	11.30am	For all those on our November List	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Winifred Leanaghan RIP	
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Margaret Doyle & Family	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Andrew</i>	12 noon	Joe McMahan	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	12 noon	For all those in our Remembrance Book	
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vigil	5pm	Emily Wray & Fred Burrow	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Advent Year B	11.30am	Tina La Bella RIP	
<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, 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, Nathan Hatfield, Alan Gell, Angela Mullin, Keith Morris, Pat Morris, Lesley Morris, Maria DeSilva.

**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 April 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 £759.70 in the collection last weekend. This weekend we will have a collection for the Priests Education and Training Fund. Thank you.

**St Joseph's Primary School:** is holding open morning/evening on Tues 28th Nov at 9.30am & 5pm-6pm. Come along and see our wonderful school! For more information, please call the school office on 0161 480 5029.

**Sycamore Course:** All parishioners are welcome to join us in the parish hall at 7pm on Monday evenings for this time of faith formation and fellowship, we are into the last few weeks of the sessions. Duration: an hour or so. The next session **is: The Christian Vocations**

**St Joseph's Primary School** in celebration of St Andrew's Day on 30<sup>th</sup> November, the school would like to invite parishioners to join the Year 6 children from 2pm on that day in the parish hall for an afternoon of light refreshments and music. All welcome.

**Gift Aid:** Following on from our recent appeal regarding Gift Aid, just a reminder, if parishioners have completed the Gift Aid Declaration Form can they return that form to church for the attention of Rosemary. Thank you.

**Stockport Male Voice Choir Christmas Concert:** Come and join the festivity with our wonderful choir. Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Church Hall. Tickets cost £8 – includes mulled wine and mince pie. On sale after weekend Masses or by phoning 0161.483 6904. All proceeds will go towards the restoration fund.

The R.C. Diocese of Shrewsbury is a registered charity No 234025

**Walsingham 2024:** Update on 2024 Pilgrimage. We have booked for 6 May to 10 May 2023 4 nights. Depending on fundraising the cost will be between £435 and £450 per person. The main change is that Elmham House now require a non refundable deposit of 25 percent so we will also be asking this plus a small deposit for the coach travel. The amount required on booking will be £100 per person which is non refundable. If you wish to book please email [shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.co](mailto:shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.co) advising how many people. Please pay deposits by cheque made payable to SRCDT St Joseph.

**St Joseph's Primary School, Proposal to reduce the Published Admission Number:** a consultation is now taking place on the proposed reduction of their school places from 25 to 15 to take effect from September 2025. The consultation runs from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024. All stakeholders are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal to: PAN Consultation, St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Etchells Street, Stockport, SK1 1EF or email to [admin@st-josephs-pri.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-josephs-pri.stockport.sch.uk) subject PAN Consultation. There are copies of the letter at the back of church as well as on the noticeboard.

**Joint Youth Night:** are holding a Christmas party on Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> 6.30pm-8.30pm at Disability Stockport 23 High street, SK1 1EG. Free entry, food and games: PS5, Air Hockey, Pool, Nintendo Switch and much more. Open to all young people in Year 6 to Year 13.

**Legal Advice:** For those in need of legal advice a free initial and confidential legal advice consultation will now be available to our Parishioners by an experience Catholic solicitor. In the first instance, the initial consultation will not include consideration of documents. Please contact Paul Magee on 07821 508731 or email [Paul.Magee@prosperitylaw.com](mailto:Paul.Magee@prosperitylaw.com).

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**Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17:** The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is my Shepherd there is nothing I shall want.

**1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28:** Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

**Matthew 25:31-46:** Jesus said to his disciples: ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. ‘Then the King will say to those on his right hand, “Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me.” Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?” And the King will answer, “I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me.” ‘Next he will say to those on his left hand, “Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me.” Then it will be their turn to ask, “Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?” Then he will answer, “I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me.” ‘And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.’