

St Joseph's RC Church

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11th February 2024 – 6th Sunday Ordinary Time B

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 10 th Vigil	5pm	Mathew & family	
Sunday 11 th 6 th Sunday Ordinary Time B	11.30am	People of the Parish	
Monday 12 th	12 noon	Freda Warwick RIP	
Tuesday 13 th	12 noon	Martha Rattos RIP	
Wednesday 14 th Ash Wednesday	12 noon	Alice & Edward Twomey	
Thursday 15 th	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Friday 16 th	12 noon	Craig Coward	
Saturday 17 th Vigil	5pm	Edward Quinn	
Sunday 18 th 1 st Sunday Lent B	11.30am	Mark Sorrell RIP	
Daily Schedule	Monday-Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mass	12 noon	5pm	11.30am
Eucharistic Adoration Benediction	7am-7pm 6.45pm		
Confessions	11am-11.45am	4pm-4.45pm	10.30am-11am
Rosary for Vocations	6.30pm		11am

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, Maddie Makonyola, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, 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, Peter Taylor.

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 £560.79 in the collection last week. Thank you very much.

Sponsor a Slate: In order to help raise more funds towards the cost of this and future works, we are offering the chance to 'Sponsor a Slate' for a suggested minimum donation of £20 you can sponsor a slate. If you would like to sponsor a slate, please write your sentiment in block capitals on the paper provided (max 25 words), place it in the envelope together with your donation and return it either in the Offertory collection, in the box provided or through the presbytery door (please complete one sheet per slate). Your sentiment will be written on the slate on your behalf & the names of all slate sponsors will be recorded in a dedicated Book of Thanks. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.

Walsingham 2024: 6 May to 10 May 2024 - 4 nights. If you have missed the deadline but would still like to go please ring or text Shelagh Humphries on 07853 176698.

Walk with Me: Lenten Booklets will be available this next weekend, priced at £1 each. Please place money in the Flowers/Cards slot. Thank you.

Reminder: As the current Financial year is coming to an end, can we ask Parishioners who have recently set up a Direct Debit/Standing Order and wish the Parish to claim Gift Aid, please ensure their Gift Aid Declaration Form is returned FAO Rosemary as soon as possible, we are unable to make a claim without the Declaration Form. Thank you.

Parish Mission – 4-6 March 2024, we welcome Sr Brieghe McKenna to lead us in our Mission during Lent. There will be a talk after the 12 noon Mass each day held here at St Joseph's. ****Evening Sessions at 7pm will take place in the church of Our Lady & the Apostles, Shaw Heath, SK3 8BD.** On the first evening (4th) there will be a talk and confession, on the other evenings, we will begin with Mass at 7pm, followed by a talk. We encourage you to bring others with you, especially those who may have drifted away from the practice of the faith. Sr Brieghe has a powerful presence and testimony. To register your attendance please email us.

Vacancies: 1) St Chad's RC Church are looking to appoint a Housekeeper/Cook for 8 hours per week with potentially more hours in future. The role is based at the presbytery at St Chad's, Stockport Road, Cheadle, SK8 2AF. Hourly rate: £12.50 per hour, Days/Hours Worked: Mondays and Thursdays 9am-1pm, Permanent Position. Role will include both cooking and cleaning. For the job description and information on how to apply, please email stchadscheadle@gmail.com **Closing date** Wednesday 21st February 2024. 2) St Vincent's, Altrincham are looking to appoint a Parish Secretary at the parish, working as a Job Share with the current Parish Secretary. Flexible working hours: approximately 12 hours per week over 3 days (Monday-Friday) 9am-1pm (days and times may vary). Hourly rate: £14.50. For further details please see the Diocesan Website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies> **Closing date:** Friday 1st March 2024

Gregorian Chant: A workshop for singers. Saturday 24th February 11.30am-4pm held at St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church, Grosvenor Square, Manchester M15 6BW. For details of registration or for more information please contact: Dr Rosemarie Darby by email: stphilipnerisersingers@yahoo.co.uk

Lenten Lunch Thursday 15th February 2024 in the Parish Hall. Following 12noon Mass. There will be a sale of unwanted Christmas Gifts, re-gifting and other items. This is to raise funds for our beautiful Church. Tea/coffee/sandwiches/biscuits available for a donation. Please enter the Parish Hall via the front door, leaving Church by the main entrance and turning right. We look forward to seeing you then.

St Peter's, Hazel Grove: As part of the centenary celebrations for St Peter's parish in Hazel Grove, there will be a day with David Wells on Saturday 2 March in the parish centre from 9.30am to 4pm. You are invited to come along and hear this brilliant speaker, who has decided to base the day on the theme of Pilgrims of hope – How to live our faith in a perplexed and broken world Part one: The challenge to live authentically. Part two: The challenge to listen and discern. David will focus our attention on the culture we live in, the challenge to be happy in our own skins and the missionary call to hear the cries of the poor. Find out more here: <https://davidwellslive.com>. Do come and share the day – and bring a packed lunch.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024: Brochures and booking forms are now available on the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or by ringing 07773 324264, or if you are aged 16 – 22 please email youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org for an application form to join the youth section of our pilgrimage. This year our pilgrimage dates are: by air is from Friday 26 July to Thursday 1 August, by coach Thursday 25 July to Friday 2 August and for our young people Wednesday 24 July to Friday 2 August. If you are a first time pilgrim or a returning pilgrim we look forward to you joining us in Lourdes this year.

Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46: The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm: You are my refuge O Lord, you fill me with the joy of salvation.

1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1: Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: 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.

Mark 1:40-45: A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.