

St Joseph's RC Church

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13th September 2026 – Twenty Fourth Sunday Year A

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 12 th	5pm	Miguel Grant
Sunday 13 th Twenty Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am (with children's liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	John Garrigan RIP People of the Parish
Monday 14 th <i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	12 noon	Les Pickford
Tuesday 15 th <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	12 noon	Rev Deacon Terry Simms RIP
Wednesday 16 th <i>Ss Cornelius & Cyprian</i>	12 noon	Vargese RIP, Thresia RIP and Mathew RIP
Thursday 17 th	12 noon	For Healing - Sheila
Friday 18 th	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors
Saturday 19 th	5pm	Mary & Tim Shine
Sunday 20 th Twenty Fifth Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am (with children's liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Francis Meehan RIP

Daily Schedule	Monday - Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mass	12 noon	5pm	9.30am 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)
Adoration	7am-9pm		
Confessions	11am- 11.45am	4pm-4.45pm	On request
Rosary for Vocations	11.20am		11am

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, John McCormick, Michael Philbin, Linda Abel, Ged Gibbons, Robyn Gibbons, Laurie Glenn, Carmel Mayo, Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Roy Curran, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Nathan Hatfield, Angela Mullin, Keith Morris, Pat Morris, Lesley Morris, Maureen McGuire, Rosemarie Hurley, Bobby Henshall, Kathleen Grimes, John Wallis, Wyn Ah-Tou, Toni Wilson, Derek Boulton, Marcela Robinson, Cillian Gallagher, Noel Fowler, Lynn Newby, Cathie Cunliffe Downs, Liz Wallis, John Humphries & all those who are sick.

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

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

Mass Intentions: Envelopes are available at the back of the church to request a Mass said for your intentions. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. If you require a specific date, please give at **least three weeks notice** and we will try our best for that date or as near it as possible.

Money Matters we received £769.70 in the collection last week. Next weekend we will have a second collection for Home Missions. Thank you very much.

Card Reader: occasionally there are problems with internet connectivity to the card reader. If this happens and you cannot make your payment via the machine, you can pay by card online <https://donate.mydona.com/st-joseph-stockport> or scan the QR code.

Request from Gift Aid Co-ordinator Can the owner of boxed envelopes number 5, please contact Rosemary 07977002396 asap, Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding Representative: is Rosemary Linnane. If you have any concerns about safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults, please contact Rosemary in the strictest confidence. Details on the noticeboards.

Wednesday prayer group: every Wednesday at 7pm- 8.30pm in the church hall. For more information contact Karen on 07974 024288. All welcome.

Live-streaming: www.churchservices.tv/stjosephsrcchurchstockport.



Sponsor a Slate: to help raise funds for the South Aisle roof and ongoing restoration works. For a suggested donation of £15, sponsor a slate in the name of anyone you choose. Please take a form from the back of church and return with your payment (cash or card) either in the Donations Box or posting through the presbytery door. The names of all sponsors will be added to our Book of Thanksgiving. Thank you for your ongoing support.

St Joseph's Needs You We are going to start writing the prayers from your offerings onto the slates. In order to undertake this task the good slates saved from taking the old slates off the original roof now need to be cleaned. There will be a sheet at the back of Church for you to leave your contact details. Thank you for your help.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: starts tomorrow Monday 14th September at 7pm in the Parish Hall. The course is for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic or if you are a Baptised Catholic who missed receiving First Communion and or Confirmation. If you are interested please speak to Fr Sean or Rosemary. The sessions are a Journey in Faith, exploring the Catholic faith in a welcoming, pressure free environment.

Walsingham 2027: will be from Monday 3 May 2027 to Friday 7 May 2027. A non refundable deposit of £110 is required by 11 October 2026. Further details on the cost to follow but it will be around £560 in the en-suite rooms. Further details available from Shelagh Humphries shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com

Kelly Pilgrimages-Truly Catholic: Join us on 16–18 October 2026 for a sacred journey to Ireland's International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine in Knock, where faith and history unite. Accompanied by Father Tony McGrath as spiritual director, this weekend pilgrimage offers prayer, reflection, and fellowship at the site of the 1879 apparition. Led by a married couple from the parish. Please see more details on posters at the back of church. Email kellypilgrimages@gmail.com for further information.

Aquinas College Open Days: Saturday 19th September and Saturday 17th October from 10am – 12pm.

Vacancies: The Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team (SYMT) are recruiting for a Programme Coordinator and Team Member and The Curial office is recruiting an Accounts Assistant. Closing date 18th September. CV's to be sent to recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. More details found <https://dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers>

South Manchester Catholic Young Adults Group: meet at St Vincent's RC Church, Altrincham. September dates are: Saturday 26th September at 6.30 pm (Bible study, please bring your Bible or let us know if you would like one). Contact southmanccatholicyoungadults@gmail.com

Sirach 27:30-28:7: Anger and wrath, these are abominations, and the sinful man will hold them fast. The one who seeks vengeance will be paid vengeance from the Lord, and he who keeps a record will have his own sins recorded. Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray. Does one person harbour anger against another and yet seek for healing from the Lord? Does he have no mercy towards someone like himself and yet pray concerning his own sins? If he himself, being flesh, maintains wrath, who will make atonement for his sins? Remember the end of your life and cease from enmity, remember destruction and death and be true to the commandments. Remember the commandments and do not be angry with your neighbour; remember the covenant of the Most High and overlook error.

Responsorial Psalm 103 (102): The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Romans 14:7-9: Brothers and Sisters: None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia.

Matthew 18:21-35: At that time: Peter came up and said to Jesus, 'Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. 'Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, "Pay what you owe." So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, "You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.'