

St Joseph's RC Church

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4th October 2026 – Twenty Seventh Sunday Year A

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 3 rd	5pm	Nora Burke RIP	
Sunday 4 th Twenty Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am (with children’s liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Kathleen Irving RIP People of the Parish	
Monday 5 th <i>St Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska</i>	12 noon	Matthew Grant	
Tuesday 6 th	12 noon	For our November List	
Wednesday 7 th <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	12 noon	John Quinn RIP	
Thursday 8 th	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Friday 9 th <i>St John Henry Newman</i>	12 noon	For my family in Iran	
Saturday 10 th	5pm	John Phelan RIP	
Sunday 11 th Twenty Eighth Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am (with children’s liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Anthony Morrin RIP People of the Parish	
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

****Adoration: Adorer Required for 10am-11am on Tuesdays.
Please speak to Fr Sean if you available to cover this slot.****

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 Gilsenan, 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 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 £648.74 in the collection last week. This weekend we will have a collection for CAFOD Family Fast Day. 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.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: there is still time to join our course on Monday evenings at 7pm in the Parish Hall. If you are interested, or would like to know more, please speak to Fr Sean or Rosemary.

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



Sponsor a Slate: to help raise funds for the South Aisle roof. 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. **Please note the deadline to return your form is Friday 16th October 2026.** Thank you for your ongoing support.

St Joseph's School: Our School's Mini Vinnies group are currently collecting items for The Wellspring Centre. Can you help the group and Parish with donations such as, UHT long-life milk, tinned meats/fish, tinned vegetables, tinned soap, tinned fruit, tinned custard, dried pasta, crisps. Also, toiletries for women and men. If you can help, please leave donations in the Sacristy marked for the attention of Rosemary. Thank you.

Walsingham 2027 Update: The 2027 Pilgrimage will be from Monday 3 May 2027 to Friday 7 May 2027. A non-refundable deposit of £110 is required by 11 October 2026. The cost will be £560 in the en-suite rooms and £475 in standard accommodation. Further details available from Shelagh Humphries shelaghclarinet@me.com Please note the change of email address. If you have already enquired and not received a reply please can you resend it to the new email address.

Aquinas College Nangreave Road Stockport Open Day: Saturday 17th October from 10am – 12pm.

Advert For Roman Catholic Chaplain Vacancy at HMP & YOI Styal Do you feel called to a ministry that brings hope, healing and transformation? We are seeking a compassionate and committed Roman Catholic Chaplain (Priest or Lay) to join our multi-faith chaplaincy team in a women's prison. A unique opportunity to support women in custody and prison staff through spiritual leadership, pastoral care and ministry. Alongside providing faith-based care to Roman Catholic prisoners and staff, you will work collaboratively with colleagues to meet the pastoral needs of people of all faiths and none. If you are interested in helping people build brighter futures, we would love to hear from you. This is a one day a week post (8hrs). Please contact Managing Chaplain Jo Hirst for further information 01625 553015 Joanna.hirst1@justice.gov.uk.

Isaiah 5:1-7: Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard, that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briers and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry! **Responsorial Psalm 80 (79):** The vineyard of the LORD is the house of Israel. **Philippians 4:6-9:** Brothers and Sisters: Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise: think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me — practise these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. I chose you out of the world, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide. Alleluia.

Matthew 21:33-43: At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence round it and dug a wine press in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than at first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance." And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.'