



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 11th August 2024

Saturday 10 th August	6.00pm (Vigil)	Liz and Neil Thallon	
Sunday 11 th August NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Kitty Canny (S.I.) Frank Murphy (Birthday Rem) Rosario and family (Thanksgiving) Anna Loftus (Ann.)	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	Peter Galvin (RIP)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	The Bereaved Fintan O'Brien (11 th Ann.)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am	NO MASS	St Maximilian Mary Kolbe
Thursday HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9.30 am HF 9.30 am 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	People of the Parish Dorothy & Bill Richards (RIP) Tim Corbett (RIP) John Finnegan (RIP)	ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Tea & Toast after 9.30 Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Kevin Kennedy (RIP)	Ferial
Saturday 17 th August	12.00 noon 6.00pm (Vigil)	Special Intention (FTM) Jack Tamin (18 th Ann.)	Ferial Adoration at SJ 11.00am for the canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis
Sunday 18 th August TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Fr Damian Smullen (RIP) Michael Fletcher (RIP) Christopher Neate (5 th Ann.) People of the Parish	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass

**SACRAMENT OF
CONFESSION**
11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays
or by appointment

SACRED HEART LAMP
This week the lamp is lit for
Faye Mooney (B'day Rem.)
Rest In Peace

OFFERINGS WEEKEND
4th August 2024
SJ £1902.24 HF £398.68
Many Thanks

Feeding Faith

Over fifty years on from the first moon landing; yet as time goes by, the murmurings that it might never have happened gather momentum. “How could the flag be fluttering on an atmosphere free moon?” “How did the astronauts take such stunning photographs with apparent multiple light sources when their only light source was the sun?” It seems that when anyone makes an incredible claim, there will be those who seek to discredit it. It's far easier to pick holes in an amazing claim than to support it. It's good that we have questioning minds, but what if our questions lead us up a blind alley where we are suddenly incapable of belief.

Put yourself In Jesus' shoes. You've worked inexplicable miracles, not least the feeding of five thousand with just five loaves and two fishes. Now you try to explain to the crowds that your miracle wasn't just about feeding a bunch of hungry people, your miracle was a sign of your divinity. “I am the living bread, that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” The people have a hard time believing your claim. Even though they've witnessed your great miracle, they mutter to each other. “Who's he trying to kid ... we knew his parents and we know where he's from ... how can he have come down from heaven?” Maybe the crowds were looking for more signs ... more miracles! If we were in Jesus' shoes we might have obliged with a few more miracles, but Jesus knows that this is not the answer. Instead, he makes us a promise. “I am the bread of life, anyone who eats this bread will live forever.” If we share in Christ's Eucharist, our faith will be nourished and we will inherit everlasting life.

Entrance Antiphon : **Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.**

Responsorial Psalm : **Taste and see that the Lord is good.**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.**

Year B

1 Kings 19: 4-8

Psalm 33

Ephesians 4: 30 – 5: 2

John 6: 41-51

ALTAR SERVERS' DAY OUT

Father Stephen has arranged a day out in Llandudno on Thursday 29th August. We will leave St. Joseph's at 9.30am and travel to the Loreto Convent where we will be greeted by Sr. Ewa. After some refreshments we will go on the train up the Great Orm, followed by some lunch, a walk along the pier and some time to relax. Please could parents/guardians sign the form in the sacristies at St Joseph's & Holy Family if your child would like to go. Father Stephen is also looking for volunteer parents / guardians for transport and help with the day.

MASS OF ALL NATIONS

On Sunday 29th September at 11.00 am Mass we will once again celebrate the diversity and world wide aspect of our parish family.

We are blessed with parishioners from many nations across the world. Father Stephen would like to have flags of all the nations represented in the parish. Please can we ask you to write the name of your country on the list in the sacristy.

DO I HAVE TO GO TO MASS ON HOLIDAY?

Most of us simply don't think much about Church when we are on holiday or if we do think about it, we usually don't put the effort into making it happen. The trick is to plan Church into your holiday. Don't think of your Sunday obligations as an inconvenience, finding a new church is part of the adventure and will be part of your holiday memories when you come home. So while you are planning your trip, take some time to search for a Catholic Church using a 'phone book, the internet or ask at your hotel reception. Don't just rely on the chance that you will pass by a church near your hotel.

SUMMER HOLIDAY FOODBANK

Donate mindfully

The school holidays are a wonderful time for the children, but for parents struggling to make ends meet it can be an additional anxiety. For those of us with a little bit of extra income, this is a good time to donate to your local foodbank. Donating food and toiletries may sound obvious but giving some thought to what you donate is equally important. At this time we have been specifically asked for small jars of coffee; small packets of tea bags; tinned tomatoes; tinned vegetables – peas, carrots, sweetcorn; tinned tuna; jam/marmalade; shampoo; deodorant.

With what the organisers already have in store, the aim is to provide three days of balanced, nutritional meals for those who need a parcel. Donations can be made via 'Jim's Box' in the narthex at St. Joseph's or via the box in the narthex at Holy Family.

PARIS 2024

Congratulations to the British team on a very successful Olympic Games. We pray for all athletes who qualified. They have all made their nations proud and may it inspire us all to strive to do our best. We now look forward to the Paralympics.

“Sport can build bridges, break down barriers and foster peaceful relations”

Pope Francis

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

There are a lot of people not well at the moment and they require our constant prayers and support. Please do not lose your faith in prayer! It works miracles.

Father Stephen is always ready to administer the Sacrament of the Sick whenever you ask. It is not an imposition. He will always respect your privacy and confidentiality.

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servants for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

SHREWSBURY LOURDES HOSPITALITY

members are warmly invited to a 'Day of Reflection' on Saturday 14 September, at Shrewsbury Cathedral. Led by Fr Sean Henry, the theme will be, "*Martha and Mary: The Hospitality we give to Christ*". 9.15am start with a 3.30pm finish. Lunch can be purchased on site, or bring your own. Cost (by anonymous donation). Spaces are limited so please book early. For further details, please contact Clare, secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text Siobhan on 07931574348."

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Dylan Elias Gregoriou Edwards** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Dylan into the Church and commend his parents for passing on to him the Faith of the Apostles.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Roxanne Louise McDonald & Nicholas O'Gorman who were married at St Joseph's this weekend. We wish them long lives together of good health and happiness.

MAXIMILIAN KOLBE – 14th August

Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish priest who died as a prisoner in Auschwitz on August 14th 1941. When a prisoner escaped from the camp, the Nazis, in reprisal, selected ten others to be killed. One of those selected, Franciszek Gajowniczek cried out, "My wife! My children! I will never see them again."

Moved by pity St. Maximilian stepped forward and asked to die in his place. The request was granted. He was canonized a martyr by Pope John Paul II in 1981.

The cell where he died is now a shrine.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

15th August

This feast is a celebration of Mary's life and her assumption into heaven. Mary is a model of vocation and fidelity, a fidelity that demands self-knowledge courage and sacrifice. For those of us who feel we have no vocation we could learn many lessons by studying Mary's brand of discipleship. Motivation is key. Mary's motivation was to support God's plan. Nothing Mary ever did or said was for her own glory. We might not feel as though we have a vocation, but if we have even the smallest motivation to change the world, perhaps we have a vocation after all.