



## ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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### Mass Times and Intentions for – THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Michael McInerney	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Kieran Mulkeen (60 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Rem) People of the Parish Deacon Bill Myers (Birthday Rem) Maureen Johnson (RIP)	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass
Monday	9.30 HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Brenda (Birthday Wishes)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Marian Dobbins (92 <sup>nd</sup> Birthday 30.7) Jack Tamin (17 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)	Adoration HF after Mass Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Rosetta	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Dave Kenny (RIP) Brenda Edmondson (Requiem)	Tea and Toast at HF after Mass Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Patricia Rigby	Ferial
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Mary Hoban (RIP) Josie Murtagh	St Bernard
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Helen Henry (RIP) People of the Parish Eileen Megson (RIP) Margaret Barrett (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)	

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

**SACRED HEART LAMP**  
This week the lamp is lit in memory of  
Louis Ashley  
Rest in Peace

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERING**  
Collection over week / weekend  
ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022  
SJ £1564.89 HF £366.81

### The Key to Life's Challenges

How do we live our lives? Do we feel overwhelmed anxious and tired? Do we feel unable to make an impact on the world around us? Do we suffer from negative feelings of inadequacy, failure or of panic?

When we are at our lowest ebb we might ask for God's help, but few of us would consider completely putting our trust in God or expecting any fulfilment in return. It's exactly this that makes the Blessed Virgin

Mary so special. Mary's trust in God and her lifelong fidelity have made her the model disciple.

Mary presents to us the key to life's challenges when she says, "...He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty...."

Mary addresses two driving forces that come up again and again in our lives and our society; self-interest and the use of power to get our own way.

How would Mary behave if she were suddenly amongst us today? Almost certainly she would be leading the way, making Jesus' vision of a world free of poverty and abuse a reality. Almost certainly she would be showing us how to live faithful and fulfilled lives. Mary is the model of trust and fidelity.

Saying 'yes' to God is important, but in some ways it's not the hardest part. Making discipleship real day in and day out as Mary did is the really hard part, and our challenge for today.

*Entrance Antiphon :* **A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.**

*Responsorial Psalm :* **On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.**

*Gospel Acclamation :* **Alleluia, Alleluia! Mary has been taken up into heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!**

*Communion Antiphon:* **All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.**

Year C      Apocalypse: 11:19;12:1-6.10      Psalm 44      Corinthians 15: 20-26      Luke 1: 39-56

## PARISH BIKE RIDE & PICNIC

Unfortunately the Parish bike ride and picnic planned for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September cannot now go ahead on that day. However, it will be re-scheduled as soon as possible.

### LOURDES

#### Chester Across Group

Are making an urgent appeal for helpers for their pilgrimage to Lourdes, overland by Jumbulance from Chester, departing 8<sup>th</sup> September and returning 17<sup>th</sup> September. Volunteers must have a GB Passport and be COVID vaccinated.

Further details from:

**Tony Murphy** – 07881 656974 or email:  
[tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk)

### PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Due to a clash of dates with another local pilgrimage, our Parish pilgrimage planned for October 2022 will now be re-scheduled for May/June 2023.

However, if you would like to go on pilgrimage 13-20 October this year, please contact:

**John Martin:** 07761 706002

**Aglow Pilgrimages:** 0800 689 4792

**Email:** [travel@aglowpilgrimages.com](mailto:travel@aglowpilgrimages.com)

See poster in Narthex for further details

## PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2022

### For Small Businesses

Barely twelve weeks since COVID-19 restrictions were lifted, small businesses found themselves grappling with a new nemesis: the impact of surging inflation rates. The consumer price inflation soared to its highest level for more than 40 years. The rising cost of gas and electricity pushed household energy bills to record levels, and the financial experts say the situation will worsen before it gets better. This is bad news for us all, particularly those on the lowest incomes. However it's also bad news for small businesses who are grappling with the difficulties of not passing on price rises to loyal customers. For many businesses there may be no way back from this. This month we are asked to pray for those businesses that are struggling. We all have less money in our pockets than usual, but we are asked to try and stay loyal to our local businesses. Pope Francis asks us to join in his monthly prayer intention "... *We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.*"

### 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.

## CARING FOR OUR ELDERLY PARISHIONERS

### Heat Wave Advice

The key thing to do is keep in touch with older family members or neighbours. Check they are ok. It may be that offering to bring in some shopping, for example, so they don't have to endure the heat outside would be very welcome on the hottest days.

### HOLIDAY SEASON

Father Stephen wishes everyone a happy and restful time with family and friends wherever you are spending your holiday in the UK or abroad. We also especially welcome all visitors to St. Joseph's and Holy Family. We wish you a happy holiday in company with your loved ones.

### ST BERNADETTE RELIC TOUR 2022

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them.

Father Stephen has organised a Parish visit from St Joseph's and Holy Family on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September to St Werburgh's church in Chester. Coach will leave St Joseph's at 10.30am for Veneration of the Relics at 12.00 noon and then free time to visit Chester in the afternoon.

Coach will return to Sale at 4.30pm. Cost £13.00 per person. Booking form in the sacristy.

### SUMMER HOLIDAY FOODBANK

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. At this time we have been specifically asked for tinned/dried custard, rice pudding, tinned vegetables (carrots, sweetcorn, peas), jam, pasta sauces, coffee. 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. Keep in mind that some items are stored for long periods, so check use-by dates.

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.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Louis Joseph Davidson, Zachary James Harrison, Sofia Elizabeth Jones and Ethan James Harter** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Louis, Zachary, Sofia and Ethan** into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

### COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers,  
**Brenda Edmondson** who has died recently.

May she rest in peace.

We extend to her family and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and extremely difficult time.

*Death is not extinguishing the light.*

*It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.*