



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for - **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** - 15th January 2023

Saturday 14 th January	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Edward McGinty (B'day Rem. 21.1)	
Sunday 15 th January SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Tony Rogers People of the Parish Marion Miller (RIP) Marie Coyle (Get Well)	
Monday	9.30 am	Franch Desa (RIP)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Bet OHara (Get Well) Helen Foy (Special Intention)	St Anthony
Wednesday	9.15 am	John Cummins (RIP)	Ferial School Mass
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Jack Murphy (Ann.) Clare Kirrane (B'day Rem.)	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am	Jo Riley (Special Intention)	Ferial
Saturday 21 st January	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Martin Power (4 th Ann.) Mary Jennings (1 st Ann.)	St Agnes
Sunday 22 nd January THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Bill Morton Audrey & Philip Greybill (4 th Ann.) Claudia Marsh (2 nd Ann. 20.1) David Law (B'day Rem.)	
SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION 11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays or by appointment	SACRED HEART LAMP John & Kathleen Flynn RIP		OFFERINGS WEEKEND 8 th January 2023 SJ £1830.02 HF 372.79

Any Witnesses?

There are those in our society who stand head and shoulders above the rest of us ... great entrepreneurs, politicians, writers, scientists and humanitarians. We look up to these people and wish that we were more like them. When interviewed, these great people might pass some of the credit for their success on to a teacher who has made a big impression on them, an influential mentor, or a family member.

Bearing witness is essential. Without witnesses we would know nothing of Jesus. Without John the Baptist, without the disciples, without the writers of the gospels, we would not have Jesus' teachings today. Without our parents and teachers, we would never have learned our first bible stories. Yet there are plenty of people in our world that would still benefit from Jesus' philosophy for living. There are plenty of people still consumed by greed, hate, crime obsession and misery. There are plenty of people who could still benefit from Jesus' teaching if only we as Jesus' witnesses could bring it about.

So why do we hesitate to bear witness? Well, first of all there's something about bearing witness that makes us feel uncomfortable. No one wants to be the man in the city centre wearing the biblical billboards. No one wants to be the woman with her foot wedged in the front door predicting the end of the world. Yet these people are well meaning and trying to get God's message across in the best way they know how. If these aren't the ways that we would choose then perhaps we can find other more imaginative ways, rather than do nothing at all. The challenge we are offered today is to reach those people who remain unaffected by God in ever new and more imaginative ways.

Entrance Antiphon: **All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!**

Responsorial Psalm: **Here I am Lord! I come to do your will.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.**

Year A

Isaiah 49: 3.5-6

Psalm 39

1 Corinthians 1: 1-3

John 1: 29-34

PEACE SUNDAY - PAX CHRISTI

Today is the annual World Day of Peace. Pope Francis urges reflection on what lessons can be learned three years after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. "What new paths should we follow to cast off the shackles of our old habits, to be better prepared, to dare new things? What signs of life and hope can we see to help us move forward and try to make our world a better place?" He feels, "the greatest lesson we learned from COVID-19 is the realisation that we all need one another."

Taken from Message for World Peace Day 2023

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 19th May 2023 at 7.00pm at St. Joseph's. Forms are available in the sacristy for anyone in Year 8 and above wishing to be confirmed next year.

The Confirmation Programme will begin in the New Year & registration must be received before the programme begins.

CARITAS

Urgently need the following volunteers

- Female volunteers who like art, craft, cooking, baking, yoga, sewing or other skills to join the Women's group, which helps refugees and asylum seekers women with integration at St. Aidan's Centre in Wythenshawe every Friday afternoon from 12-2 pm. If you are interested, please contact us ASAP.
Email: Lana.Osman@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk
Mobile: 07824329331
- Tutor volunteers to deliver ESOL sessions for refugees and asylum seekers at St. Aidan's centre in Wythenshawe every Tuesday afternoons from 12-2 pm. If you are interested, please contact us ASAP.
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- Volunteers to run the sessions, shop and cater for lunch and take care of the children during the sessions.

SAINTS CLUB FOR CHILDREN

Today Sunday 15th January, 4.30 pm - 5.00 pm

We will get to know **St Andre Bessette of Montreal**, a wonderful Apostle of St Joseph. A lovely way to start the year with the special intercession of St Joseph, Patron Saint of our Church and Patron Saint of families! Email Ilona Harrison on Ilonaharrison19@gmail.com for the zoom link.

SAINTS CLUB

Saints Club winners for November & December are

November	1 st Prize	St Mildred
	2 nd Prize	St Adrian of Canterbury
	3 rd Prize	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos
December	1 st Prize	Blessed Michael Giedroyc
	2 nd Prize	St Isaac Jogues, John de Brebeuf & Companions
	3 rd Prize	Blessed Mother Marianne Cope

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Father Stephen and Deacon John would like to invite those who have enquired about deepening their faith and joining the Catholic Church to meet to discuss their way forward. The meeting will be on Thursday 26th January at 7.00pm in the presbytery. Father Stephen would also welcome any new enquiries.

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Do Good; seek justice (Isaiah 1:17)

Begins this Wednesday 18th January and ends on 25th January – Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

To celebrate, Churches Together in Sale invite you to an ecumenical service of worship next Sunday 22nd January at The Salvation Army Church, 27 Ashton Lane, Sale at 7.00pm.

Please join Father Stephen together with our sisters and brothers in Christ.

ST JOSEPH'S AND HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Today Sunday 15th January 2023

Great Woolden Moss, Irlam
Meet at St Joseph's Church Car Park
1.00pm for 1.15pm departure

An easy, 1-boot, walk of just over 4 miles (but not suitable for wheelchairs or pushchairs) on country roads and good paths takes us to the moss lands behind Irlam that are being restored after previous damage from peat extraction.

Expect to return to St Joseph's about 4.30pm.
For more information and contact details please see the website www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk or email sjhfwalkers@gmail.com

APF – MISSIO ST JOSEPHS

The RED BOXES for the Mill Hill missions are due to be emptied over the next couple of weeks.

Last quarter we raised a total of £755.05.

If you have any queries or need more information, please contact Mick Ryan on 0161 905 3468 .

Thank you for your continued support

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Sophie May Turnbull, Caleb Pearsall** and **James Patrick Cookson** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Sophie, Caleb** and **James** 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 **Michael Jackson** who has died recently.
May he rest in peace.

We extend to his 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.