



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – YEAR OF THE WORD
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Mass Times and Intentions for – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 16th February 2020

Saturday 15th February	6.00 pm	John William Keegan (Ann.)	
Sunday 16th February SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	John Mulkeen (75th Birthday Rem.) Michael Fogarty People of the Parish Dorothy Walker	
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Priest's Intentions Norah Mullin (91st Birthday)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Nnena Robinson (1st Ann.) Kay & Charles Ormerod (Birth.Rem.)	Ferial Adoration HF 10.30am
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.15 am	Jane and Denis Kathleen Walker	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intentions Alan Lloyd (2nd Ann.) Ann Galloway (Ann.)	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 10.30 am	Paddy and Martin Power & Family Anne Dennis - Requiem	Ferial
Saturday 22nd February	12.00 pm	Tom Nolan	BVM on Saturday
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm	Bill Edmondson (Birthday Rem.)	THE CHAIR OF PETER, Ap
Sunday 23rd February SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	James Dickenson (and Family) Stan Dobbins (11th Ann.) People of the Parish Murray Family	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
 Saturdays 11.00 am – 11.50 am
 Also by appointment with
 Father Woolley

**SACRAMENTS OF
 BAPTISM & MARRIAGE**
 By arrangement with
 Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
 SJ: £1566.34 HF: £297.12
 Thank you for your continued
 generosity to the parish.

Follow Your Heart

It's a sad truth that those who walk free from court aren't necessarily innocent. Sometimes the man or woman who walks free from court simply has the better solicitor. Lawyers do a good and valuable job, but it has to be said that some lawyers take more pride in finding legal loopholes than the truth.

In today's gospel reading Jesus invites us to consider that it is not just laws in themselves that are important but our attitude towards those laws. Perhaps we haven't committed murder, but have we harboured hatred? We might not have committed adultery, but have we failed to live up to the love we once promised our spouse? We might not have committed theft, but are our hearts set on the wealth our neighbours have earned? Laws might seem to fence our lives with rods of uncompromising iron, but most laws are simply expressions of how we should behave towards each other. The unwritten laws of love bind us in promises that we wouldn't dream of compromising let alone riddling with loopholes. When it comes to those we love, we don't need a statute book, our heart tells us what to do. The written law should be no different.

Laws are written down in books of statute and commandments are written in the Bible, but the spirit of the law must exist in our hearts. What exists in our hearts is as important if not more important than our actions. As a newly qualified driver mentally rehearses his or her first solo drive, so we must follow where our hearts go first.

Entrance Antiphon: **Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
 For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.**

Responsorial Psalm: **They are happy who follow God's law!**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.**

Year A

Ecclesiasticus 15: 15-20

Psalms 118

Corinthians 2: 6-10

Matthew 5: 17-37

YEAR OF THE WORD

The Bishops of England and Wales have dedicated 2020 as a Year of the Word, to focus on the Bible and on 'The God Who Speaks'. This date coincides with the 1,600 anniversary of St. Jerome's death and the 10th anniversary of Emeritus Pope Benedict's Apostolic Exhortation, *Verbum Domini / Word of God*.

Father Nick Kern will give the first Spring Diocesan talk on this document on Sunday 16 February at St. Peter's Baguley 7.00pm – 8.30pm (registration 6.30pm). All welcome. No prior study needed.

As part of the Year of the Word we shall be doing a parish course entitled 'Big Picture' beginning with an introductory evening on Thursday 2nd April after the 7.00pm Mass. Please look out for further details.

LIVING WATERS PRAYER GROUP

"FAN INTO FLAME"

Come and encounter the love, power and presence of God! at St Hugh's Timperley on the third Monday of every month, 7.30 to 9pm, starting on 17th February. The power of the Holy Spirit can change minds and hearts: we want His fire to transform all our lives! Come and join us for an evening of praise, worship and adoration, with prayer for healing, all in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Refreshments after. All welcome! For further information, contact Deacon John 07412 288201.

ALTAR SERVERS' DAY

The Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team are organizing a day of activities, reflection and fellowship for altar servers from across the Diocese. This will be on Saturday 7th March 10.30am – 3.00pm at St. John Henry Newman Church, Warrington. Father Woolley would like to open this opportunity to all the altar servers at Holy Family and St. Joseph's. If you would like to go on the day please sign the form in the sacristy. Don't worry. All you need for the day is a packed lunch, your alb and lots of energy!

FOOD BANK

Trafford South Foodbank sends its thanks for the continued contributions from St Joseph's and Holy Family. Items that are currently in short supply are: toilet rolls, toiletries, larger nappies (sizes 5 and 6).

SAINTS CLUB

Would all current members please ensure payments are up to date.

The winners for January are:

- 1st Prize St Augustine of Canterbury.
- 2nd Prize St Bernadette Soubirous.
- 3rd Prize St Andrew, Patron of Scotland.
- 4th Prize St Susan.
- 5th Prize St John the Baptist.

Please Note : Payment for January will be paid at the same time as the February winners. Apologies for the delay.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

Would those who have reserved tickets for Phantom of the Opera on 12th May, please note that payment **IS NOW DUE**. Please leave in the sacristy in an envelope marked for attention of Ailsa McNabb.

Lion King is coming to the Palace Theatre later in the year. To help Ailsa ascertain whether it is worth making a group booking please register your interest on the list in the sacristy.

READERS' MEETING

There will be a meeting for all Readers at Holy Family on Sunday, 1st March at 2pm in the church. Please do your best to attend.

CONFIRMATION

Over 60 youngsters have registered for Confirmation and they will be enrolled on Sunday 23rd February at the 5.30 pm Mass after their first session starting at 3 pm in the Parish Centre. Please keep them all in your prayers over the coming weeks as they prepare for Confirmation with Bishop Mark on Friday 15th May.

PARISH ROSARY

We meet this month at the home of Josephina and Peter of 20 Abbots Close, Sale, M33 2DD at 7.30pm. on Monday 24th February.

Do join us, you will be made most welcome.

BEHOLD 2020 - THE REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS THE DOWRY OF MARY

The Rededication will take place on 29th March 2020. It will be fulfilled by a communal act of prayer across the country, when we seek Mary's protection and prayers.

In preparation for this, the Angelus will be said before all Masses (including Sunday Masses) from 21st February.

The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be placed on the Lady Altar during this time. Intentions can be placed in the basket before Our Lady's statue and these will be forwarded to Walsingham and placed in the Slipper Chapel.

ST PATRICK'S DAY

After 11.00am Mass on Sunday 15th March, to celebrate St. Patrick's day, Irish coffees and other refreshments will be available in the Parish Centre. Entertainment will be provided by the St. Joseph's children's music group. All Welcome!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community Sylvie Florence Warren and Michael Christopher Fraser Warhurst who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Sylvie and Michael 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 Moira Carroll, Anne Dennis & Kathleen Walker who have died recently. May the rest in peace. We extend to their family and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and difficult time.

THE CHAIR OF PETER, 22nd FEBRUARY.

In every diocese, the 'head church' is called the cathedral. The word cathedral, is derived from the Latin word cathedra, which means chair. Ever since the times in which the apostles lived, the bishop's cathedra, or chair, has symbolised leadership and authority..... the same authority that Jesus first gave to Peter, our first pope. The feast of the 'Chair of Saint Peter' commemorates the establishment of the See of Rome.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

(www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk)

Our calling is to love one another

Does 'the world speak well of me'? God wants us to use our talents to fulfil His plan, not for our own glory. His plan for marriage is that we love each other before everything else, which means listening deeply. When I focus on doing any job I need to ask: 'How do you need to be loved just now?'

COLLECTION FOR THE PRIEST'S RETIREMENT

Many thanks for your generous response to the needs of the retired clergy of the Diocese - **£ 1,241.42p**