

ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY - YEAR OF THE WORD

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Mass Times and Intentions for - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 19th January 2020					
Saturday 18th January	6.00 pn	n	Robert Higginson		
Sunday 19th January SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am 11.00 am 5.30 pm	1 HF 1	Mary Stokes Bernadette Melie Magdalen Donlan People of the Parish		
Monday	9.30 am 9.30 am	n	Priest's Intention Louis Casey		Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am 12 noon		Martin Power (1st Ann.) Allan Anghelides (Sick)		St Agnes <u>Adoration HF 10.30am</u>
Wednesday	9.30 am 9.15 am		Stephanie Morrison Agnes & Elijah Corbett		Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am нғ 12 noon 7.00 pm		Priest's Intention Simon D'Souza David Clarray		Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am		Marlene Ferris Special Intention (G & F)		St Francis de Sales
Saturday 25th January	12.00 pm		Thomas O'Shea (24th Ann.)		The Conversion of St. Paul
Saturday (Vigil Mass)	6.00 pm		Edward McGinty		
Sunday 26th January THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm		Denis Kelly (17th Ann.) People of the Parish Pat Langford (5th Ann.) Sylvio Tamin (B'day Rem.)		
SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION			SACRAMENTS OF LAST		VEEK'S OFFERING

Called to Witness

BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

By arrangement with

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People often declare that their faith is a private and a very personal thing. Of course our faith is very personal, but does that mean it should be private? In keeping our faith private we are missing a very important opportunity. How often has our own faith taken a little leap forward because of something we have heard or something we have read? Similarly there may be something you have heard or learnt that would help someone else. You might not consider yourself a theologian, but there might be something seemingly small that you could contribute that would make a big difference to someone else.

Without the internet, books, Catholic papers, TV documentaries, homilies and the testimonies of friends and family, how would we develop our faith? Without the work of missionaries, teachers and parents, how would our faith have been handed from generation to generation? Without the gospel writers, how would Jesus' work and God's word be remembered? Without John the Baptist and the first disciples, how else would Jesus' identity have been known?

Bearing witness is essential. Without witnesses we would know nothing of Jesus. Staying quiet and making religion a private matter is simply not an option. There are still those that would benefit from Christ's teaching either directly or indirectly. If Christianity is something very important to us, why be reticent about sharing it? If bearing witness to Christ can change lives, shouldn't we make our voices ever more persistently heard by friends, neighbours, family, politicians, community leaders TV producers and anyone else with the willingness and the know-how to bring about change?

Like John, we are called in our baptismal promises to be witnesses to the work of Christ. We are called to be witnesses in every circumstance of our lives.

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.

Saturdays 11.00 am - 11.50 am

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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

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generosity to the parish.

RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND

Next weekend the annual Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund will be held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special envelopes are available at the back of church for you to use. A leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by standing order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to gift aid these donations to the Fund. If you prefer, you can donate online via Paypal to the Fund at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/retired-priests-fund where you can also take advantage of gift aid. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing

+Mark

Bishop of Shrewsbury

CONFIRMATION

We have now heard from Bishop Mark that Confirmation this year will be on Friday 15th May. The Confirmation Programme will begin soon & registration must be received before the programme begins – forms available in the sacristy.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The first meeting of the year is to be held this Monday 20th January at 7.00pm in St. Joseph's Parish Centre. The speaker for the evening will be talking about the Blood Bike drivers who do such a wonderful job for us all. The Annual Subscription of £25 will be collected plus the usual entrance charge of £2.

PARISH ROSARY

This month we meet for the Rosary on Monday 27th January at 7.30pm, at the home of Maureen & Dougie, 18 Selsey Avenue, Sale, M33 4RL. The evening is open to all parishioners.

There are also other opportunities to pray the Rosary as we meet at 11.30am before each of the 12 noon weekday Masses.

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!

MONDAYS TOGETHER

The next Mondays Together will be 2.00pm — 4.00pm Monday 3rd February in St. Joseph's Parish Centre. This month we will welcome The Mayor of Trafford, Councillor Rob Chilton who will be visiting St. Joseph's School in the morning and Mondays Together in the afternoon. Councillor Rob is a friend of St. Joseph's, having lived opposite for many years before he moved a couple of years ago.

OUR MISSION TOGETHER

The latest Our Mission Together Stewardship Newsletter is available at the back of church.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18th January – 25th January

This evening (Sunday) **Holy Family** are hosting the ecumenical service for Christian Unity at 7.00pm and will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. Let us show our normal hospitality towards our sisters and brothers in Christ. Please make every effort to support.

PEACE SUNDAY - PAX CHRISTI

Today is the annual World Day of Peace. The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Their vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, they work with all who share their values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice.

Envelopes are available at the back of church for anyone who may wish to make a donation to Pax Christi.

ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

January walk today <u>Sunday 19th January</u>
An easy 1 boot, 4.5 mile walk in Tatton Park
(wheelchair route also available).
Meet at St Joseph's car park 12.45pm for 1.00pm
departure (note early start time)
See poster in narthex for details

DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIAGE

The annual Mass for those celebrating special wedding anniversaries is to be held on <u>Saturday 8th February 2020</u> at St. Joseph's in Birkenhead. If you have such an occasion this year, and would like an invitation to attend, please let Father Woolley have your details.

FIRST FORGIVENESS

Congratulations to the 68 children from St. Joseph's school and parish who made their First Forgiveness on Monday evening. This is an important stage in the children's faith journey and we now look forward to them celebrating their First Holy Communion on 13th June.

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 11.00AM MASS

We all enjoy our tea and coffee after 11am Mass as it's a great opportunity to have a drink and a chat and we would like to do this more often. We now have a rota in place and are looking for more people to help prepare and serve tea and coffee. If this is something you would like to get involved in then please contact Nadia Gazeley on 07585704713

nadiagazeley13@gmail.com

<u>CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERINGS</u> <u>£6144.19</u>

St. Joseph's £5039.40 Holy Family £1104.79 Father Woolley thanks everybody for their generosity at Christmas.

CRIB OFFERINGS

Donations for CARITAS raised through the crib offerings were £191.57 from St. Joseph's and £105 from Holy Family. Thank you for your support.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community

Danisha Reddy Giopu who was baptised at

St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Danisha
into the Church and commend her parents for passing
on to her the Faith of the Apostles.