



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 21st January 2024

Saturday 20 th January	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Mary Jennings (2 nd Ann.)	
Sunday 21 st January THIRD SUNDAY IN OPRDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm 7.00 pm	Mary McTernan (3 rd Ann.) Martin Power (5 th Ann.) Bernard Loftus (20 th Ann.) Claudia Marsh (3 rd Ann.) Holy Hour for Christian Unity	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	Norah Mullin (Requiem Mass)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Marion Dobbins (Special Int.) Harold Murphy (Requiem Mass)	Ferial Adoration HF 10.00am
Wednesday	9.15 am	Special Intention (P.A.)	St Francis de Sales
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Frank Murphy (Ann.) Thomas O'Shea (28 th Ann.)	The Conversion of St Paul
Friday	11.30 am	Martin Jennings (Requiem Mass)	Ss Timothy & Titus
Saturday 27 th January	12.00 noon	Mary Rimmer	Ferial Adoration SJ 11.00 am for Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis
Sunday 28 th January FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00 pm (Vigil) 9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Marie Reardon (8 th Ann.) Agnes & Elijah Corbett (Rem.) Josephine McQuaid (6 th Ann.) David Jones (RIP) Sylvio Tamin (B'day Rem.)	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 in loving memory of John Livingstone and Kathleen & John Keegan Rest in Peace	OFFERINGS WEEKEND 14 th January 2024 SJ £1942.43 HF £385.85 Many Thanks
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Change of Heart

“Wanted:- Men and women willing to leave behind their old way of life and become fishers men.”

Can you see job applicants queuing round the block? Would we respond to Jesus' call with the same immediacy as those first disciples? Probably not! Chances are we'd hesitate long and hard. A hundred and one questions would hold us back. What would being a disciple involve? Would we be up to the job? What would we have to leave behind? What would we have to give up? Would part time discipleship be okay ... after all we've got lots else to do! Would candidates be permitted to serve two masters, giving up one's own agenda is surely too much to ask!

There would be lots of questions we would ask, but sadly no easy answers. There is no one answer that is right for everybody. But the one important message for us today is that discipleship usually means a major shift in direction; a change that involves leaving behind things that get in the way of our relationship with God. It is left to each of us to decide what our particular mode of discipleship might be, and what stands in the path of our new direction. Our new direction has to start with some good hard soul searching, and a change of heart.

Entrance Antiphon :	<i>O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.</i>			
Responsorial Psalm :	<i>Lord, make me know your ways.</i>			
Gospel Acclamation :	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the Good News. Alleluia!</i>			
Communion Antiphon:	<i>Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.</i>			
Year B	Jonah 3: 1-5.10	Psalm 24	1 Corinthians 7: 29-31	Mark 1: 14-20

2024 HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

It was with regret that last Monday Father Stephen had to announce that the pilgrimage to the Holy Land has had to be cancelled due to the current situation there.

He hopes that in a couple of years we may be able to take pilgrims to this very special land.

We continue to keep in our prayers all caught up in the tragic situation and for an end to the fighting.

As an alternative to going to the Holy Land he, together with Pilgrimage People, can offer a pilgrimage to the shrines of Padre Pio, Saint Francis, Saint Clare and Blessed Carlo Acutis. We will be visiting San Giovanni Rotonda and Assisi. The dates will be Sunday 22nd September to Saturday 28th September.

Details are being finalised and the price should be cheaper than the Holy Land.

There will be a meeting on Monday 7th February at 7.00pm in church when Father will be able to give the final itinerary and cost.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FATHER PAUL LOMAS

Vigil Mass 7.00pm Thursday 1st February at Christ Church, Heald Green and the Requiem Mass on Friday 2nd February at 12noon, also in Christ Church.

Refreshments will be served after both Masses.

Parking limited.

READERS' MEETING

There will be a meeting for all readers on Sunday 25th February at 4.30pm in church.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will take place on 17th May 2024, which will be the 140th Anniversary of the laying of the foundation stone 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.

CHILDREN'S SAINTS CLUB

The first Saints' Club of this year will be this afternoon 4.30 - 5.00 pm. We will get to know

St Elizabeth Ann Seton and also celebrate St Don Bosco whose Feast Day is coming up. Pray, sing and have fun together. Email Ilona Harrison on ilonaharrison19@gmail.com for the zoom link.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Siana Reddy Giopu** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Siana** into the Church and commend her parents for passing on to her the Faith of the Apostles.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers Martin Jennings, Nora Mullin, Frank Millner, Harold Murphy and John McKeown who have died recently.

May they rest in peace.

We extend to their families 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.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

18th-25th January 2024

Go and Do Likewise

"In our approach to the past we have a moral responsibility to acknowledge the corrosive impact of violence and words that can lead to violence."

There will be a Holy Hour at St Joseph's this evening 7.00pm – 8.00pm to pray for the unity of all Christians. All welcome.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

Come on and pre-celebrate the Lunar New Year. 4 February 2024. After 11.00am mass, until 3.00pm, there will be a gathering, organised by the Hong Kong Catholics community, in St. Joseph's Parish Centre.

Do come and enjoy the mini lion dance, traditional snacks, games and cultural activities.

Come and watch Father Stephen 'wake up' the Chinese lion!

HCPT GROUP 230 FUNDRAISER

On Sunday 11th February, Our Lady of Lourdes feast day, please come to the Parish Centre after the 11.00am Mass for a cake sale and raffle for HCPT group 230, taking sick and bereaved children to Lourdes at Easter.

Enjoy some sweet treats before Lent begins.

DIOCESAN CHOIR FESTIVAL – 'SING A NEW SONG'

You are invited to come along and sing as part of a diocesan choir. Learn music throughout the day and lead the singing for Mass at 5pm. We will learn Schutz: Praise to you Lord Jesus, Schubert: Mass in G and more, on Saturday 24 February, 10.30am-4.30pm with Mass beginning at 5pm. At St Anthony's, Dunkery Road, Woodhouse Park, Wythenshawe, M22 0WR. Refreshments and registration from 10.30am, rehearsals begin at 11am.

Tea and coffee will be provided, please bring a packed lunch. The cost is £5 per person, payable on the day. Book by completing the form at [HTTP://TINYURL.COM/DIOCESANCHOIRFESTIVAL](http://tinyurl.com/diocesanchoirfestival) The deadline for bookings is Friday 16 February. For more information contact reception@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

There are still a few places available

29 May 2024 for 7 nights

Cost £715 per person (single supplements available)

Direct return flights from Manchester

For more information and booking a place, please contact Marijana on 077 919 08861

CRIB OFFERINGS

Donations for CARITAS raised through the crib offerings were £151.60 from St. Joseph's and £72 from Holy Family. Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERINGS

St Joseph's £4666.18. Holy Family £967.63

Father Stephen thanks everyone for their generous Christmas offerings which go to support him in the parish.