



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY - SLAVA UKRAINI

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Mass Times and Intentions for – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 22nd May 2022

Saturday 21st May	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Pat Jones (Ann.)	
Sunday 22nd May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Pat Nash Margaret Smith People of the Parish Terence Coyle	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Rosetta (Continued Recovery)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Colette McLoughlin (Get Well) Rackie Family & Friends	Our Lady Help of Christians Adoration at HF 10.10am after 9.30am Mass
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS James Hawkyard (40 th B'day Rem.)	St Bede the Venerable
Thursday HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9.30 am HF 9.30 am 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Helen Shepherd (Serious Op.) Maureen Prendergast (RIP) Roy Houghton (B'day Rem.) L Keeling	The Ascension of the Lord Tea & Coffee at HF after 9.30am Mass
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Patsy Murray	St Augustine of Canterbury
Saturday 28th May	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Nora and Dennis Rigby & Brenda Brooks Linda Houlton	Ferial
Sunday 29th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	John Muldoon People of the Parish Liz John Pugh (B'day Rem.)	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
11.00am – 12 noon Saturdays,
observing social distancing.
Or by appointment

SACRED HEART LAMP
This week the lamp is lit for
David Rackie

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
Collection over week / weekend
ending 8th May 2022
SJ £1607.74 HF £281.60

God Knows No Orphans

There are times in our lives when we feel a sense of abandonment. We might be left with feelings of panic, despair and emptiness at the break up of a relationship, the loss of a loved one; or when the future we thought so secure is turned on its head through job loss, financial ruin or illness. The disciples must be feeling a little like this today at the prospect of Jesus' departure.

In today's gospel, Jesus is preparing his disciples for life without his physical presence. He is teaching them how to transcend these moments of fear and uncertainty "Those who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them..." Undoubtedly, knowing we are loved helps transcend feelings of abandonment, but Jesus reminds us that love is a two way street. Love isn't just a feeling it's a decision, and staying in God's love means making a decision to keep his words.

This doesn't mean God will no longer love us if we fail to keep a commandment, but it does mean that wanting to keep his words is at the heart of our relationship. It's not about trying to live up to an impossible set of expectations; it's about developing into confident Christians in an atmosphere of love and support.

Today's gospel speaks to those who are suffering insecurity and fear. As a Christian community we have a responsibility for promoting belief in God's love and in the continued support of the Holy Spirit. In this way, when any one of us comes to grief, that belief can come to the rescue. For those who know they are loved, healing comes more quickly. There can be no abandonment in a kingdom that knows no orphans.

Entrance Antiphon : Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm : Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him'. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Year C Acts 15: 1-2.22-29 Psalm 66 Apocalypse 21: 10-14. 22-23 John 14: 23-29

PLATINUM JUBILEE WEEKEND

It is now only two weeks until the Jubilee weekend. At St. Joseph's and Holy Family, our main celebration of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's 70 year reign will be on Sunday 5th June. It will be an afternoon tea with music and entertainment, starting at 2.00pm and ending at 4.00pm in St. Joseph's Parish Centre.

All are very welcome. In order to get some idea of numbers, if you would like to come along please sign the sheet in the sacristy.

If anyone can help with providing refreshments - cakes, etc. please contact Nadia Gazeley on 07585 704713.

If anyone would like a lift please contact the SVP on 07942 670277.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

It is a long held tradition of the Church to bless the homes of parishioners with the Easter water.

If you would like your home blessed in the Easter season please contact Father Stephen.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage

Website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4UX.

VOCATIONS TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

Are you thinking about becoming a permanent deacon or do you know someone who might be thinking about a vocation to the diaconate?

The diaconate formation team for Shrewsbury Dioceses is holding a time of reflection for men who are thinking about the call to the ministry of service on Sunday 26th June at St. Anne's Church Nantwich at 2.00pm – an opportunity to ask questions, to reflect and to pray for vocations to the permanent diaconate.

Full details are on the noticeboard in the narthex.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Zofia Partyka** who was baptised at St. Joseph's last week.

We welcome Zofia into the Church and commend her parents for passing on to her the Faith of the Apostles.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Melody Cheng** and **Martin Sharkey** who were married at St. Joseph's this weekend. We extend our best wishes to Melody and Martin. May God bless them with long lives, good health and much happiness.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers, **Edwin Thomas, Monica Walton & Monsignor Chris Lightbound** 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.

BISHOP'S PASTORAL VISITATION

This weekend we welcome our bishop, Bishop Mark Davies to St. Joseph's. He will be with us all weekend. We extend to him a very warm welcome, especially after a two year delay for the visit due to Covid.

Bishop Mark – you are most welcome!

On Friday Bishop Mark confirmed 122 young people from St. Joseph's & Holy Family. This was a wonderful occasion and we thank all who have played a part in bringing these youngsters to this important part of their faith journey.

MAY – THE MONTH OF OUR LADY

During the month of May, you are invited to bring flowers to adorn the Lady altar and the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Joseph's or the narthex statue at Holy Family. Each day after Mass at St. Joseph's we honour to Our Lady by praying the Litany at the Lady Altar or, weather permitting, at the grotto.

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CAFOD GROUPS

Next Sunday 29th May at 2.30pm

All are welcome to join a one mile walk from St Joseph's to Holy Family, finishing with tea and cakes in Holy Family parish centre. We do require some volunteers, please, to be marshalls on the route. For further info please phone Anne (07929 731087) or Jeff (07946 603993). Cakes can be left at Holy Family by 2.00pm. Donations will be to Cafod's "Fix the Food System." Just donate what you can.

WALSINGHAM 2022

This year's pilgrimage to 'England's Nazareth' will be Sunday 20th until Thursday 24th November. If you have never been to Walsingham or have been a regular pilgrim, why not consider going this year? The Pilgrimage will include Bed, Full English Breakfast and Evening Meal; daily Mass; Holy Mile Walk, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Day Out and a Gala Christmas dinner.

Cost per person will be £235 per person for en suite rooms Single / Twin rooms available.

Booking forms in the sacristy.

SANDSTONE TRAIL

A group of parishioners and friends will be walking the 30+ miles of the Sandstone Trail on Saturday 25th June this year in aid of the Stroke Association and the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. If anyone is interested in taking part as a walker or marshal or just in sponsoring us for these two worthy causes, please get in touch with Fran:

9626274 or frangrubert@gmail.com

SVP SUPPORT

If you or someone you know in the Parish is struggling with the increased cost of energy, then the SVP might be able to provide support with advice or practical assistance. We can be contacted, confidentially, on 0794 267 0277.

EULOGY

If anyone would like a copy of Canon Alec's Eulogy from Father David's Vigil Mass, please contact Father Stephen.