



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24th July 2022

Saturday 23 rd July	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Winnie McGinty (B'day. Rem.)	
Sunday 24 th July SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Mamie Whitelaw Kevin Fallon (continued recovery) Barry Peter Reeves (18 th Ann.) Brian McHugh (Ann.)	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass
Monday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS Eddie Mullin (8 th Ann. 11.7)	St James
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	NO MASS Sean Prendergast (RIP)	Adoration HF after Mass Ss Joachim & Ann
Wednesday	9.30 am HF <u>9.30 am</u>	NO MASS Brian O'Donovan (Sick)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Theresa McGinity (92 nd b'day) PA Special Intention	No tea and toast at HF after Mass Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	NO MASS John Hall (B'day Rem. 27.7)	Ss Mary, Martha & Lazarus
Saturday 30 th July	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Mary Hoban (RIP) Francis Pio D'Souza (1 month Ann.)	Ferial
Sunday 31 st July EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	The Reilly Family Colin Macartney Marjorie Halligan (11 th Ann.) People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays
or by appointment

SACRED HEART LAMP
This week the lamp is lit in memory of
Leonard Challender (1st Anniversary 27 July)
May he rest in peace

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
Collection over week /weekend
ending 10th July 2022
SJ £1423.18 HF £352.65

Ask And It Will Be Given

How do we feel about prayer? Some people would answer that they have great faith in prayer and pray all the time. Others would say that they feel prayer is a naive kind of activity, that it doesn't really work and so they don't do it or pray only very briefly. Some of us will consider prayer as a last option. If there are other options, we will most likely pick those first. Our downfall is probably that our approach to prayer is all wrong. We approach God with a kind of shopping list of all the things we feel we need. We approach God with prayers that are foolish, imagining that he might help our football team in the dying moments of a match, or somehow rig our lottery numbers! Worse, we try to bargain with God, promising that we will go to church more often if only he will sort out our problems.

“Ask and it will be given you; search and you will find; knock and the door will be opened for you...” It would be wonderful to believe these words, but before we believe them, we really need to understand them. It's clear that we need to know what to pray for and how to pray.

Today Jesus gives us a prayer “The Lord's Prayer”. But he isn't just giving us a prayer to recite. What he is giving us is a model on which to base our own prayers. In the Lord's Prayer we are invited to pray to God as our Father, acknowledging his holiness and praying with the shared commitment to have his will done on earth. We are invited to pray for our 'daily bread' the things we genuinely need. We must pray for forgiveness and promise to forgive others. Importantly we must pray with persistence, often and throughout the day, not in the way a child would pester a parent, but because only by being persistent will we build a relationship with God. Lastly, we should approach God with the faith we approach a loving parent. Even parents with very average parenting skills know how to give children what they need. “How much more,” says Jesus, “will the father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask....”

Entrance Antiphon : **God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

Responsorial Psalm : **On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.**

Year C Genesis 18: 20-32 Psalm 137 Colossians 2: 12-14 Luke 11: 1-13

THURSDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

In the month of August when lots of people are away and the weather, hopefully, is sunny and warm, why not come together before Mass on Thursdays at 10.45am for a nice chat over a cup of coffee in the Parish Centre Garden at St. Joseph's. Father Stephen would like to ask for some volunteers for the 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th August to help make and serve the coffee. Please sign up in the sacristy.

PARISH BIKE RIDE & PICNIC

Why not come and join Father Stephen on a very pleasant bike ride along the canal and disused railway line to Lymm? Saturday 10th September. Meet 12.30pm at the Waterside.

Enjoy a bike ride and a shared picnic with fellow parishioners.

MASS OF ALL NATIONS

On Sunday 11th September we will once again celebrate the diversity and world wide aspect of our parish family.

We are blessed with parishioners from many nations across the world. After a two year break due to Covid, Father Stephen would like to have flags of all the nations represented in the parish. Please can we ask you to write the name of your country on the list in the sacristy.

DO I HAVE TO GO TO MASS ON HOLIDAY?

Most of us simply don't think much about Church when we are on holiday or if we do think about it, we usually don't put the effort into making it happen. The trick is to plan

Church into your holiday. Don't think of your Sunday obligations as an inconvenience, finding a new church is part of the adventure and will be part of your holiday memories when you come home. So while you are planning your trip, take some time to search for a Catholic Church using a 'phone book, the internet or ask at your hotel reception. Don't just rely on the chance that you will pass by a church near your hotel.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Elsie Joan Jackson** and **Constance Elizabeth Teague** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Elsie and Constance into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

SS JOACHIM AND ANN – 26th July

Happy Grandparents' Day

By tradition Joachim and Anne are considered to be the names of the parents of Mary, the Mother of God. We have no historical evidence; any stories about Mary's father and mother come to us through legend and tradition.

Ss Joachim and Anne are patron saints of grandparents and this day is a great day to celebrate grandparents everywhere. Grandparents have spent so much of their lives looking after the rest of us; today is a day for spending time with our grandparents and making this a special day.

SAINT MARTHA - July 29th

Some of us are more like Martha - and some of us are more like Mary; but there is in all of us a built in need to combine the two within us, for without sitting and listening to God our work for God can only lead to anxiety and anger and angst - and without doing the work our faith is clearly nothing. As Graham Hutchings, a Methodist minister once said - there is a need occasionally to get the visionaries in the kitchen and the kitchenaries in the vision.

HOLIDAY SEASON

Father Stephen wishes everyone a happy and restful time with family and friends wherever you are spending your holiday in the UK or abroad. We also especially welcome all visitors to St. Joseph's and Holy Family. We wish you a happy holiday in company with your loved ones.

ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Today Sunday 24th July. Meet at St. Joseph's car park at 1.15pm for 1.30pm departure. This local circular walk will take in the canal, 2 brooks, fields and parks. Return at approximately 4.00pm when tea and scones will be served. For more information, phone 969 0270

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDUGORJE

Parish pilgrimage to Medugorje 11th – 18th October. The cost will be £645. To book please pick up a booking form from the sacristy at St. Joseph's & Holy Family in the repository. *There will be a meeting for those who have booked / are interested in going next Thursday 28th July at 7.00pm in St. Joseph's church.*

SUMMER HOLIDAY FOODBANK

Donate mindfully

The school holidays are a wonderful time for the children, but for parents struggling to make ends meet it can be an additional anxiety. For those of us with a little bit of extra income, this is a good time to donate to your local foodbank. Donating food and toiletries may sound obvious but giving some thought to what you donate is equally important. At this time we have been specifically asked for tinned/dried custard, rice pudding, tinned vegetables - carrots, sweetcorn, peas, jam, pasta sauces, coffee toiletries - shampoo, conditioner, razors/shaving gel. With what the organisers already have in store, the aim is to provide three days of balanced, nutritional meals for those who need a parcel. Keep in mind that some items are stored for long periods, so check use-by dates. Donations can be made via 'Jim's Box' in the narthex at St. Joseph's or via the box in the narthex at Holy Family.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The Diocesan Pilgrimage takes place from this Thursday 28th July to 5th August by coach and 29th July – 4th August by air.

The intentions for this year's Pilgrimage are:

1. For the renewal of our Shrewsbury Diocesan Pilgrimage that we may wholeheartedly respond as pilgrims to the message of Our Lady of Lourdes.
2. For the peace of the World as we entrust all humanity, especially Ukraine and Russian to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.
3. For all the people of our Shrewsbury Diocese that we may return to the Eucharist with renewed faith and joy.
4. For all the young people of our Diocese that, amidst the uncertainties of our time, they may respond with joy to their vocation in life.

There is a box in Our Lady's chapel for any personal prayer intentions. These will be taken to Lourdes by our parish pilgrims and placed at the grotto.

BITESIZE

The value of consistent prayer is not that He will hear us, but that we will hear Him.