



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 25th June 2023

Saturday 24 th June	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Winnie McGinty (Birthday Rem 20.6)	
Sunday 25 th June TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Joe and Deirdre Peden (SI) Andy Rourke (RIP) People of the Parish John Gretton	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	Winifred Maureen McCumesky (RIP)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	NO MASS Bridie Lennen (Australia) (RIP)	Ferial Adoration at HF 10.00am
Wednesday	9.30 am	Zahida Choudary & Chris Pitcher	St Irenaeus
Thursday HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9.30 am HF 9.30 am 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Joan Booth (10 th Ann. 21.6) Michael & Thomas Mary O'Connor (RIP) Josie Murtagh (RIP)	SS PETER AND PAUL
Friday	10.30 am	Maureen O'Hara (4 th Ann.)	Ferial
Saturday 1 st July	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Rob & Val (thank you) Frances Billington (RIP)	Ferial
Sunday 2 nd July THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	John Livingstone People of the Parish Margaret Finn Laurence O'Connor (16 th Ann.)	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION 11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays or by appointment	SACRED HEART LAMP William Morris (RIP)	OFFERINGS WEEKEND 18 th June 2023 SJ £1607.02 HF £382.05
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Courage and Worth

Some people leave their homes and go to work with the poorest of the poor in far flung third world countries but we are not those people. Some people fund raise tirelessly day in and day out for those who are ill or poor but we are not those people. Some people campaign endlessly to end injustice and cruelty .. but we are not those people. We are not those people! Why not?

We are capable of doing great things, but most of us don't come anywhere near meeting our potential. We are afraid to step out of the comfort zone of our well-worn lifestyles, jobs and homes. We are afraid of the unknown, of failure, disruption and discomfort. In short, we lack the necessary courage.

In the face of a sometimes hostile and sceptical world, Jesus asks us to have the courage of our convictions. The Church today is built on the courage of those who have refused to compromise their beliefs. Today's gospel urges us to be courageous. "Fear no one," Jesus advises us. Why fear those who can make life temporarily uncomfortable when God has our everlasting interests at heart?

Today's gospel teaches us an important lesson; courage is all to do with self worth. If you feel you are worthless you are easily intimidated, but if you feel you do have worth, your conviction will lend you real courage. So do we appreciate our worth? Jesus convinces us that even the sparrows that are two a penny have worth in God's eyes, so how much more worth have we. We have an individual worth to God who has counted each and every hair on our heads. We all have great potential. We all have something to offer no excuses, no exceptions.

Entrance Antiphon :	The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.			
Responsorial Psalm :	In your great love, answer me, O God.			
Gospel Acclamation :	Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!			
Communion Antiphon:	The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.			
Year A	Jeremiah 20: 10-13	Psalms 68	Romans 5: 12-15	Matthew 10: 26-33

RECEPTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

When receiving the Blessed Sacrament (host), please immediately put the host into your mouth. Do not walk off with the host. Also a reminder that intinction is not allowed in this country.

If you are an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, you should go directly with the Blessed Sacrament to the person who is to receive Holy Communion.

PARLIAMENTARY PRAYER BREAKFAST

On Monday, Father Stephen will travel to London, at the invitation of his MP, to take part in the 2023 Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast which takes place on Tuesday morning. This year they have added a tour of Westminster Abbey on Monday evening. He returns on Wednesday.

MONDAYS TOGETHER

This will resume on Monday 4th September. Before general discussion on the year ahead, Dr Viv Wilkinson will give a talk on health and well-being and offer blood pressure checks, etc.

Father Stephen would like two volunteers for each month to open up and prepare the refreshments, ie tea and coffee / biscuits. If you are interested in going on the rota or have any ideas what the group could do, please contact him.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Eamon O'Hara** and **David Quaille** 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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Harriet Rose Tilbury Simpson, Nathaniel James Cooper** and **Saoirse Kerr** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Harriet, Nathaniel** and **Saoirse** into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

THE FEAST OF SS PETER & PAUL

Carrying the Baton

Because Peter recognised that God was acting through Jesus, he was entrusted with the job of leading the rest of us. The Church today is a testimony to Peter's faith, it exists because Peter and others like him trusted and believed in God. It exists because Peter and people like Peter acted out their faith despite hostilities and persecution. We might not in this country suffer persecution for what we believe in, but we face different sorts of problems instead. Today we face lethargy, conflicting secular values, and the complexities of scientific debate. The Church cannot be silenced. Fearless Christians like Peter and Paul are still needed to carry the baton.

MARRIAGE MATTERS

How easy to become paranoid, to wonder what others might be saying about us. These aspects can be present outside our relationship and within it; at their core is fear! Jesus continuously exhorts the Twelve, "do not be afraid... every hair on your head has been counted". Living our life now in Christ, we will not fear what others think.

PARISH CENTRE CHAIRS

After seven years, the chairs in St Joseph's Parish Centre are beginning to look rather shabby. Father Stephen would like to invite parishioners to join him in an afternoon of fun, washing and cleaning the chairs! Friday 14th July from 2.00pm
Come along. Many hands make light work!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Bookings are now being taken for the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land between 23 and 30 September 2024. The cost of the pilgrimage for a week will be in the region of £1800 per person. Please ask Father Stephen if you need a booking form.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023

The theme of the Pilgrimage this year is 'tell the priests to build a chapel here', a reminder of Our Lady's request to Saint Bernadette.

There still a few seats left on the pilgrimage coach and more on the plane. If you are considering joining the pilgrimage but haven't yet returned your booking form, please do so as soon as possible.

The overland pilgrimage will depart on Thursday 27 July returning on Friday 4 August. Those pilgrims wishing to fly will depart from Liverpool airport on Friday 28 July returning on Thursday 3 August.

More details, brochure and booking forms are available on the pilgrimage website <http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk>

THE SALE DAYTIME SINGERS

is a new Over 50s Community Choir. Their music is 60s/70s/80s/and 90s plus some musical theatre too. St. Mary's Church, Harboro Road. Every Thursday 1.45pm – 3.15pm. £5 per session. Although primarily aimed at over 50s, all ages and faiths are welcome. A poster in the narthex gives full details.

SACRED HEART LAMP

If you would like this lamp to be lit for any intention or in memory of a loved relative or friend, please fill in the week you would like in the file in the sacristy, with the date and intention. A donation of £5 for the lamp is requested and it will burn for the whole week from Sunday to Sunday.

There are still a few weeks available in 2023 and sheets are now available for 2024 and 2025.

'FEARLESS CHRISTIAN WEEK'

The theme in this week's Gospel and Feast day of Peter and Paul is the importance of being a fearless Christian. We are invited this week to think how we are best suited to follow in the footsteps of Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

To do:-

- Think about your skills and how well you are using them.
- Read about what other people are doing and how they set about it.
- Ask God for guidance.
- Make a plan.
- None of the saints were born saints or became saints overnight. Do one simple thing to make your plan take shape.