



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 25th September 2022

Saturday 24 th September	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Anastasia Tansey (Ann.)	
Sunday 25 th September TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	John Muldoon (6 th Ann. 24.9) Yvonne & Warren Francis Marion Miller (90 th B'day Rem.) People of the Parish	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass
Monday	9.30 am	Marlene De Klos (3 rd Ann.)	Ferial
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Val & Sean O'Hara (SI) Margaret Beck (Requiem)	St Vincent de Paul
Wednesday	9.15 am	Sylvio Tamin (5 th Ann.)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Philomena McGinity Arthur Clegg (RIP)	Tea & Toast after Mass HF Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
Friday	9.30 am	Thomas and Michael	St Jerome
Saturday 1 st October	12.00 noon	Angela, Ian & Family	St Theresa of the Child Jesus
Sunday 2 nd October TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00 pm (Vigil) 9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Dave Sykes Martin Quinn (18 th Ann.) Catherine Culliney (B'day Rem.) Jean Valerie Howard People of the Parish	

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

SACRED HEART LAMP
This week the lamp is lit for
Mary & William Massey RIP
88th wedding anniversary 27.9.34

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
Collection over week /weekend
ending 11th September 2022
SJ £1922.69 HF £398.50

For The Love of Money

A man dies and finds himself sentenced to the torments of hell for living a life indifferent to the plight of the poor. He decides to send three ghosts to warn his business partner of the fate that must surely await him too if he doesn't change his ways. Straight from the pen of Charles Dickens?

Well kind of, except that Jesus told it first.

Lazarus is a poor man who lies at the gate of a rich man waiting to feed on the rich man's crumbs. Eventually the poor man dies and goes to heaven and the rich man dies and goes to hell. Distraught, the rich man begs for permission to send a ghost to warn his brothers of their possible fate, but Abraham refuses. "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Like Ebenezer Scrooge, the rich man in today's story was a lover of money, and it is his love of money that makes him indifferent to the plight of the poor. We have to ask if he was even aware of the poor, if Lazarus lay at his gate the rich man must have had to step over him on his way in and out! In Dickens' version of the story, Ebenezer Scrooge finally realises that he is accountable and that there are no second chances once one is dead!

What would it take for us to feel fully accountable? How can we become more aware of today's 'Lazaruses'? How can we keep in mind the plight of the poor that we see fleetingly on the evening news. The parables were written to change us. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus teaches us that we must love our fellow man more than we love money. Hopefully when we have arrived at the day of reckoning we will have afforded the poor a bit more than a few crumbs.

Entrance Antiphon : **All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed our commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.**

Responsorial Psalm : **My soul, give praise to the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, the sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon: **Remember your word to your servant O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.**

Year C Amos 6: 1.4-7 Psalm 145 Timothy 6: 11-16 Luke 16: 19-31

XAVERIAN MISSIONARIES

This weekend, we welcome Father John Convery of the St Francis Xavier Foreign Mission Society who will preach the Annual Mission Appeal.

He will celebrate all Masses at St. Joseph's when there will be a retiring collection.

Please give him the normal St. Joseph's warm welcome.

FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION 2022 - 2023

The programme of preparation for the children who will celebrate their First Sacraments in the coming year will begin soon. No firm dates have been set yet. However, if your child is at a Non-Catholic School and is 7 years old or above and in year 3 or above and would like to celebrate their First Forgiveness and Holy Communion, please collect a Form of Enrolment from the Sacristy.

It is very important that the children are enrolled before the course begins.

For more information, please speak to Father Woolley.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers, **Peter Ellicott, Margaret Beck, David Law and Derek Edmund Burke** 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.

FRIDGE NEEDED

Has anyone got a spare fridge that they could donate to Holy Family for their Parish Centre? If you can help please email the parish office or contact Veronica Saunders on 07729 509888.

VACANCY

St Monica's in Appleton, Warrington are advertising for a Headteacher. Full details on the noticeboard in the narthex.

LOVING4LIFE

A marriage enrichment course at Wistaston Hall, Crewe is being run 8th & 9th October. For more information and to book online please go to www.loving4life.co.uk

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Who in our world do I fail to see who is in need of assistance and compassion? This week, will I take the time and make the effort to see God in their faces?

NEW DEAN

Bishop Mark has appointed Father Stephen Woolley as the Dean of South Trafford & Wythenshawe.

Amongst other duties, this will require Father Stephen to attend the Deans' meetings at the Cathedral several times a year, the first of which is on Tuesday 4th October.

Please remember Father Stephen in your prayers as he takes up this new responsibility.

COUNTERS

Regular weekly counting of the offertory collection had to be suspended during the Pandemic. During this time counting has been faithfully undertaken by just two people. Father Stephen thanks them for their commitment during this difficult time.

Father Stephen would now like to reinstate the counting teams from October. If you are interested in joining a team, please contact Father Stephen for details of what is involved.

SANDSTONE TRAIL WALK - 25TH JUNE 2022

On behalf of the Stroke Association and the SVP Community Support Centre in Warrington, many thanks to all the parishioners who gave of their time and money in support of this walk. An amazing total of £7,650 was raised so each charity was delighted to receive £3,825 at our cheque presentation last Sunday. Because many of you are wise to the ways of Gift Aid, there will be another £1,000 or so from that! Well done all!

CAFOD

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is Friday 7th October.

Envelopes will be available next week.

This Harvest Fast Day is a World Food Crisis appeal.

One way you can support the Fast Day is to support the CAFOD soup lunch in St. Joseph's Parish Centre on Friday 7th October between 12 noon and 1.30pm.

Date for your diary – the annual and very popular CAFOD Quiz Night will be Saturday 19 November at 7.00pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre.

MANCHESTER HALF MARATHON

The Manchester Half Marathon this year is on Sunday 9th October. There is a new route this year but some access to St. Joseph's and Holy Family may still be affected. Please go to <https://www.manchesterhalfmarathon.com> for details.

ST JOSEPH'S REPOSITORY

We have a number of 2023 catholic diaries and 2023 religious calendars (small and medium sized). Also, a number of boxed Christmas cards – 18 per box for £2.99. More Christmas items arriving soon.