



# ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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## Mass Times and Intentions for - PENTECOST SUNDAY - 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Noelle Evans (RIP)	St Augustine of Canterbury
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Philomena Lavender (92 <sup>nd</sup> B'day) James & Mary Mularkey (Ann.) People of the Parish John Pugh (B'day Rem.)	DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	Joe Peden (Get Well)	Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	In thanksgiving to St Jude (Favours Received) Donald & his family (God's Blessing & guidance)	Ferial Adoration at HF 10.00am after Mass
Wednesday	9.15 am	Sarah Ellen Boston (19 <sup>th</sup> Ann)	The Visitation of The Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Special Intention Steven James Blake (Requiem Mass)	Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal High Priest
Friday	9.30 am	Private Intention (BS)	Ferial
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Delia Lyons (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann 20.5) John Billington (33 <sup>rd</sup> Ann 20.5)	St Charles Lwanga & Companions
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Lawrence Jacovelli (RIP) Jean Murphy (1 <sup>st</sup> Ann) People of the Parish Paddy King (RIP)	Tea & Coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mass

<b>SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION</b> 11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays or by appointment	<b>SACRED HEART LAMP</b> John and Kathleen Flynn (RIP)	<b>OFFERINGS WEEKEND</b> 21st May 2023 SJ £1559.19 HF £423.45
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## The Inner You

It is clear that we are not all born the same. We look at people who do extraordinary things and imagine they must possess greater depths than we possess. These extraordinary people must have greater courage, greater determination or a clearer vision than we have. Is it just possible that we are not getting the full picture?

It is clear that we are not all born the same, and it is also clear, that as human beings, however hard we work we will always come up against our own limitations. As human beings there will be times when we are hindered by fear, doubts and inadequacies. It's at times such as these that the Holy Spirit can step in and fire our humble human efforts. When we allow ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit, great things are going to happen. Faith in the Spirit can't help but move us in the right direction.

Today, we share a very exciting link with those very first disciples. We are each given gifts and talents which we must share to best advantage. At Pentecost we are given tremendous insight into God's plan. We were not all born the same but we are all given the same twenty four hours in a day. All we need to do to overcome our limitations is to ask the Holy Spirit to galvanise our human effort and involve us in Jesus' saving deeds.

<i>Entrance Antiphon :</i>	<i>The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.</i>		
<i>Responsorial Psalm :</i>	<i>Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.</i>		
<i>Gospel Acclamation :</i>	<i>Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!</i>		
<i>Communion Antiphon:</i>	<i>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.</i>		
Year A	Acts 2: 1-11	Psalm 103	1 Corinthians 12: 3-7,12-13 John 20: 19-23

### ALTAR SERVERS

On Wednesday Father Stephen is taking the Altar servers on a day out to Chester Zoo. If your child is able to come on the trip, please sign their name on the form in the Sacristy. We will leave after 9.30am Mass and return home at 5.00pm.

Father Stephen will need some adult helpers! This trip is a little 'Thank You' for all your hard work over the past years.

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Father Stephen will be holding a meeting for anybody who would like to join the team of Altar servers.

Anyone who has celebrated their First Holy Communion can become one of our Altar servers at St Joseph's or Holy Family.

The meeting will be on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 4.00pm.

It is a wonderful ministry and you are helping to serve God in this very special way.

### HOUSE BLESSINGS

Due to the extremely busy period with First Holy Communion, Confirmation and other matters needing Father Stephen's attention, he has been unable to visit some of those requesting house blessings. He hopes to continue this coming week.

### CAFOD GROUPS

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm young, old and in-between are welcome to join in a one mile CAFOD walk from St. Joseph's to Holy Family, finishing with tea and cakes in Holy Family Parish Centre. There will be some information and activities around CAFOD's campaign to "Fix the Food System". More information to follow. Just donate what you can.

### MONDAYS TOGETHER

Before the pandemic with Covid, the parish had a successful gathering on Mondays, once a month called Mondays Together. Father Stephen wishes to restart this social gathering group on the first Monday in September which is 4<sup>th</sup> September.

This may seem a long way off but he would like people to think of speakers or activities which could be organized. He would also 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.

### ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### PROPOSED CONVERSION TO ACADEMY STATUS

The governing body of St Joseph's applied to the Department for Education (DfE) for an academy order to allow the School to convert to an academy, if it wished. That order has now been granted. There will now be a full consultation with staff, parents and carers, and other stakeholders and members of the broader school community on the issue of St Joseph's converting to academy status (with a view to joining the Corpus Christi Catholic Academy Trust). All stakeholders are invited to submit your view on the issue of whether St Joseph's should convert to academy status for the governing body to consider. Full details of how to do this are on the notice board in the narthex and further information is set out at

<https://www.stjosephstrafford.co.uk/home/academy-conversion-consultation>

### 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.

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SALE (CTiS)

Open air Songs of Praise Pentecost Service with Sale Salvation Army Band. 3.00pm today 28<sup>th</sup> May at St. Paul's Church, Springfield Road. Refreshments after the service. All welcome.

### SUMMER ORGAN CONCERT

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00pm at St. Paul's church, Springfield Road. Jonathan Scott of The Bridgewater Hall gives a special summer organ concert. Free admission. Retiring collection.

Poster in the narthex.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Harry James McCann, Martha Aoife Ryan and Isabelle Grace Barnes** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Harry, Martha, and Isabelle** into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

### UNITED CHRISTIAN SINGERS

Present a musical evening

#### **“FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND”**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023, at 7.30pm

Trinity Methodist Church, Sale, M33 3FZ. Admission is free. Retiring collection in aid of Andy Burnham's 'A Bed Every Night' campaign.

Poster in the narthex.

### LOVE THE STRANGER

In light of the challenges we face in the UK, advocating for the dignity of refugees and migrants amidst a hostile environment, the Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), which Caritas Shrewsbury is a member of, welcomes the teaching document *Love the Stranger* from the Department of International Affairs at the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales (CBCEW). The document speaks into this contested space and reinforces Catholic social teaching, offering guidance on a Catholic response to refugees and migrants.

You can download *Love the Stranger* at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/love-the-stranger/>

### COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Steve Blake and Molly Nevin** 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.

### ST CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS

Charles Lwanga and his twenty-one companions (the youngest was only 13) were executed for being Christians in Uganda in 1886. Within a year of their deaths the number of Christians in Uganda quadrupled. Charles and the other Ugandan martyrs were canonized in 1964. St Charles Lwanga is the patron of Catholic Action and Black African Youth.