



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY – HANDS – FACE – SPACE - AIR

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 29th August 2021

Saturday 28 th August	6.00pm	Frederick Gilbert	
Sunday 29 th August TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Pam Corbett Philomena McGinity (B'day Rem.) Jimmy Dean People of the Parish	
Monday BANK HOLIDAY	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Denis McGinity (Successful Op.) Sheila Mather (Sick)	Ss Margaret Clitherow, Margaret Ward, Anne Line
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12 noon	Priest's Intention Carol Travis (Sick)	Ferial
Wednesday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Chloe Power (Sick) Maria & Dominic Whitehouse (Ruby Wedding)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Priest's Intention Rita Hibbitts NO MASS	Ferial
Friday	9.30 am HF 9.30 am	Mr Palmer Vincent O'Regan	St. Gregory the Great
Saturday	12 noon	Duffy & Massey D'cd Families	Ferial
Saturday 4 th September	6.00 pm	Josie Murtagh (5 th Ann.)	
Sunday 5 th September TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Ann Wren (Sick) June Bridges Maria Wadsworth (5 th Ann.) People of the Parish	

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

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

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

By arrangement with
Father Woolley

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Collection over week / weekend
ending 15th August 2021
SJ £1088.97 HF £258.60

Heart of the Matter

Could it be true that at one stage or another we have all been guilty of hypocrisy? It's hard to get through life without finding that our actions and our words don't quite marry up. We know the tell tale signs all too well. We go to the polling booth to vote, or commit our opinions to 'Facebook', and experience a slight discomfort. It's a discomfort we know of old, but have become very good at ignoring. It's the discomfort that comes of saying one thing but doing another. It's the discomfort that comes of teaching something but not practising it. The discomfort is telling us that we might be guilty of hypocrisy. In today's gospel Jesus warns us against religious hypocrisy. Is there a danger that we have all become very good at saying the right things, but of doing something else?

Today we see Jesus voicing exasperation with rules that had become burdensome, unimportant and hypocritical. In biblical days there were a great many traditions and rules on the proper way to prepare food. There were rituals regarding the washing of hands, pots, and bowls. The Pharisees challenge Jesus on allowing his disciples to eat with dirty hands, but Jesus shocks the Pharisees by suggesting that their man made laws are irrelevant. Without actually throwing the rulebook out of the window, he suggests that we concern ourselves with matters of greater importance. Outer appearances are all well and good, but what lies beneath? What really matters is what comes from our hearts. "Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person," he tells them, "but the things that come out from within are what defile."

Key to guarding against hypocrisy is to remember before condemning others, that our own hands mightn't be as clean as we think. The person who goes to church on Sunday and appears to be doing all the right things, is not necessarily a good person if he or she doesn't do good deeds during the rest of the week. Similarly, the person who breaks man made laws is not necessarily a bad person. Jesus tells us to use what is in our hearts when it comes to moral yard sticks, and not the rules made by others. What really matters is how well we listen to what is in our hearts, and how well we act upon it.

Entrance Antiphon : **Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.**

Responsorial Psalm : **Lord, who shall be admitted to your tent?**

Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

Communion Antiphon : **How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.**

Year B Deuteronomy 4: 1-2. 6-8 Psalm 14 James 1: 17-18.21-22.27 Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Deirdre Peden

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COVID 19 – OUT OF LOCKDOWN

Due to the slight increase in infections last week in Greater Manchester, Father Stephen is still reflecting and consulting on the next steps out of Lockdown.

However, from next week tea and coffee will be available after 11.00am Mass in the garden of the Parish Centre (weather permitting).
Please enter from the car park.

If anyone is interested in joining the coffee rota please let Father Stephen know.

ALTAR SERVERS

As the various health restrictions are being eased, Father Stephen would like to invite our altar servers to return in September. If you are one of our present altar servers please can you contact Father Stephen saying you would like to serve again and at which Mass. Also he would like to invite any new people who have celebrated their First Holy Communion and would like to start serving at St. Joseph's or Holy Family. Please contact him saying at which Mass you would like to serve. A meeting will be called for all servers in September when we are sure it is safe to do so.

BACK TO SCHOOL

The schools open in the coming week after the Summer Holidays. We welcome back all children and staff, especially the children of Reception classes.

For all teachers, assistants, parents and pupils, our prayers are with you this week, especially for those feeling a little bit uncertain or anxious. And we pray that they will bridge the gaps brought about by two academic years of Covid disruption.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CREATION

1st September

Created by Pope Francis, this day of prayer "will offer individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation" and reflect upon "the adoption of appropriate lifestyles."

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers **Jimmy McNabb** and **Margaret Barrett** 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.

PRAY FOR PRIESTS

September Leaflet is now available in church.

VACANCY

Convent of St. Emilie, Bowdon, are looking for a cook to work weekends 10.00am – 3.00pm. Please phone 928 2119 for further details and application pack.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What Catholic tradition enriches my personal faith life? How does it prompt me to translate my spiritual devotion into practical love toward my neighbour?

CTIS PRAYER WALK

Churches Together in Sale invite you to a one hour Prayer Walk tomorrow Bank Holiday Monday.

Around Sale town centre, beginning at the war memorial, proceeding to Sale Police Station, Chapel Road clinic, Sale Fire and Ambulance Station.

Starting at 2.00pm. Car parking available at Springfield Road school car park and St. Paul's where the prayer walk ends with refreshments.

ST. JOSEPH'S & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

are back! New Walkers very welcome
Please join us on Sunday 5th September 1.00pm - 4.30pm for our walk around Styal Woods SK9 4LA. Approx 4 miles on good paths some small steep inclines with steps.

Meet in St Joseph's Carpark at 1.00pm for 1.05pm departure. Check our website

www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk for more information.

THE PLAYERS SALE

'Mother Goose' Pantomime - we need you!

The Players Sale are returning to tread the boards again and we are recruiting singers and those who like to act! We rehearse every Monday at 7.15pm at St. Francis Hall, Budworth Rd, Sale Moor, M33 2RP.

The Show will be on 25th-27th November. Come along on Monday, 13th September and you'll receive a warm welcome!

More details from Rosie: 07941 887638.

AFGHANISTAN CRISIS

The UN Refugee Agency is urging the international community to urgently step up its support to respond to Afghanistan's latest crisis and stands ready to help national authorities scale up humanitarian responses as needed.

UNHCR teams remain in Afghanistan and continue to help displaced Afghans with emergency shelter, food, health, water and sanitation support, despite challenges accessing people in need. This includes the distribution of family tents, hygiene kits, core relief items like blankets, sleeping mats and kitchen sets.

Your support matters. To support relief efforts, please donate today at

<https://donate.unrefugees.org.uk/afghanistan-situation/~my-donation>

For more information about the ongoing situation in Afghanistan, visit

<https://www.unrefugees.org.uk/where-help-is-needed/afghanistan-situation/>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Frederick George Holloway** and **Zara Elizabeth Pearse** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome Frederick and Zara into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

BITE SIZE

The golden rule is that there are no golden rules.

George Bernard Shaw
Irish dramatist & socialist (1856 - 1950)