



ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY

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Mass Times and Intentions for – TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 3rd September 2023

Saturday 2 nd September	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Noel, Charlie & Vince Donnelly (RIP)	
Sunday 3 rd September TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	Peter Murdoch (RIP) People of the Parish Maria Wadsworth (Ann) Josie Murtagh (7 th Ann 4.9)	Tea & Coffee after 11.00am Mass
Monday	12.00 noon	David Law (1 st Ann.)	St Cuthbert
Tuesday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Ann Fitzpatrick (RIP) Special Intention (PA)	Ferial Adoration at HF 10.00am
Wednesday	9.30 am	Carole Travis (2 nd Ann.)	Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon	Katie Murphy (B'day Rem. 8/9) Doreen Waldren	Ferial Tea & Toast HF after Mass
Friday	9.30 am 12.00 noon	Private Intention (B.S) Paula Entwistle (Requiem)	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 9 th September	12.00 noon 6.00 pm (Vigil)	Michael Thomas Waterhouse (1st Ann) & Faye Kittos (5 th Ann.) Garry Jennings	Ferial
Sunday 10 th September TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 am 10.00 am HF 11.00 am 5.30 pm	People of the Parish Jacqueline Raftery (Recovery) Patrick Dunion (Ann. 30.8) Nina Rowlands (Sick)	11.00am Mass of All Nations followed by shared table

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION 11.00am – 11.50am Saturdays or by appointment	SACRED HEART LAMP In loving memory of David Law	OFFERINGS WEEKEND 27 th August 2023 SJ £ 1575.04 HF £ 370.45
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Accepting Our Crosses

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering and death at the hands of the elders, chief priests and scribes. Peter took Jesus aside, "This must never happen to you," he said. Surely Peter only had Jesus' best interests at heart. Imagine how mortified he must have felt to hear Jesus reply, "Get behind me Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

What kind of deal is it to get everything you want in life but lose your soul? So often when we finally get what we want in life, the euphoria is short lived. We might feel elated for a few days at achieving one of our closest held ambitions, but then we are left with that hollow, 'what next?' kind of feeling. Today Jesus is talking about the necessity for suffering and dying. But why does Jesus see accepting the cross as a necessity? Why does he not stop to consider the alternative that Peter suggests?

As Christians we are asked to live life differently from those who struggle to fill life with pleasure and enjoyment. There is a well-known saying that goes, 'It is better to die a meaningful death, than live a meaningless life.' As Christians we have to transcend, self-interest, self-preservation and ego trips. The person who tries to indulge in every enjoyment may find him or herself chasing impossible rainbows. Could this be Satan's favourite trick? By trying to make life perfect by our own human agendas, are we in danger of reaching the end of life only to realise we have not lived life at all?

Entrance Antiphon :	<i>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.</i>			
Responsorial Psalm :	<i>For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.</i>			
Gospel Acclamation :	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!</i>			
Communion Antiphon:	<i>How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.</i>			
Year A	Jeremiah 20: 7-9	Psalm 62	Romans: 12: 1- 2	Matthew 16: 21-27

MASS OF ALL NATIONS

Next Sunday 10th September at 11.00am Mass we will once again celebrate the diversity and world-wide aspect of our parish family.

After Mass we will celebrate in the Parish Centre with a shared international table where we can sample the delights of food from across the world. Thank you in advance for your generous offerings!

Father Stephen needs to know which of the different nations will be taking part so please can we ask you to complete a form in the sacristy.

MONDAYS TOGETHER

Tomorrow Monday 4th September from 2.00pm.

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.

CANONISATION OF BLESSED CARLO

From next Tuesday at Holy Family and next Saturday at St. Joseph's we, as a parish, will hold two Holy Hours each week and pray for the canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis. He was a young person who died of leukemia, age 15, in October 2006. Before he died he encouraged people to attend Mass which he called his 'highway to heaven'.

At St. Joseph's the Holy Hour will begin at 11.00am ending just before 12 noon Mass, concluding with the prayer for his canonisation. The rosary will be prayed from 11.30am. On Tuesday the Holy Hour will take place after 9.30am Mass and conclude again with the prayer.

He is patron for youth and computer programmers. His body is incorrupt and lies in a chapel in Assisi. His cause for canonisation is taking place and let us hope our prayers help him to be numbered among the saints of the church.

PAUSE FOR HOPE

Sunday 17th September 3.00pm at

St Columba's, Plas Newton Lane, Chester

An ecumenical service for those affected in any way by cancer; those suffering from cancer, those supporting those living with cancer, and those who have lost loved ones to cancer. It is an opportunity to come together to support and pray for each other. Poster in the narthex.

More information is available on the website
<http://www.pauseforhope.org.uk>

MARY MOTHER OF THE WORD IN SACRED SCRIPTURE

A weekend retreat at The Shrine, Holywell.

Friday 27th – Sunday 29th October 2023

"The New is in the Old concealed, the Old is in the New revealed". St Augustine

Cost: By voluntary contribution

Full details on the poster in the narthex

PRAY FOR PRIESTS

For September are now available at the back of church.

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.

HOLY FAMILY TODDLER GROUP

We are looking to recruit two or three people to help at this popular Toddler group which runs on Monday mornings between 9.15am and 11.30am. Duties involve opening up, setting up the room and supporting the parents and children who come along. Full support will be given to anyone who would like to help.

If you are interested, please telephone:
0161 973 4981 for more information. Thank you.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Details have now been finalised.

29 May 2024 for 7 nights

Cost £715 per person (single supplements available)

Direct return flights from Manchester

For more information and booking a place, please contact Marijana on 077 919 08861 or collect a booking form from the sacristy.

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers

Paula Entwistle and **Moirra Matthews** 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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to the Church and Parish Community **Bonnie Alexandra Conboy** and **Edith Clare Alice Conboy** who were baptised at St. Joseph's last weekend. We welcome **Bonnie** and **Edith** into the Church and commend their parents for passing on to them the Faith of the Apostles.

HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Site Manager required for immediate start.

Permanent Part-Time – 23.75 hours per week -
MORNINGS ONLY

Actual salary £14,655 - £15,759

Closing date: Monday 18th September 2023 at 12 noon. Interviews: Friday 22nd September 2023
Full details on the noticeboard in the narthex

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION - SEPTEMBER

A homeless person who dies on the street will never appear among the top stories of search engines or newscasts." Pope Francis attributes this indifference to a "throwaway culture in which millions of men and women are worth nothing compared to economic goods". "Our necks are going to get stiff from looking the other way so we don't have to see this situation."

To combat this indifference we need to work on a culture of welcome. Everyone, regardless of circumstance needs to be treated with equal respect and understanding. We are invited to join in Pope Francis' prayer intention for September to pray "for those people on the margins of society living in subhuman living conditions."