

**St Joseph's RC Church**

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**19<sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Pentecost**

**Mass Times and Intentions:**

Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	Christina Morgan RIP	
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost	10am 11.30am	For the people of the parish Jamie Squire	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Anna Hughes	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	12 noon	Mary & Martin Sisson RIP	
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12 noon	Nadia Lamb	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	The Lomas Family	
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	5pm	Jacqueline Hamerton	
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Trinity	10am 11.30am	For the people of the parish Patrick O'Neill	
<b>Daily Schedule</b>	<b>Monday-Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Mass</b>	12 noon	5pm	11.30am
<b>Eucharistic Adoration Benediction</b>	7am-7pm 6.45pm		
<b>Confessions</b>	11am-11.45am	4pm-4.45pm	10.30am-11am
<b>Rosary for Vocations</b>	6.30pm		11am

**We pray for our sick:** Jacobi Hill, Maddie Makonyola, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Linda Abel, Ged Gibbons, Cora Tierney, Mary O'Brien, Laurie Glenn, Carmel Mayo, Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsenan, Michael John Ford, John McCormick, Roy Curran, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Robyn Gibbons, Nathan Hatfield, Angela Mullin, Keith Morris, Pat Morris, Lesley Morris, Maria DeSilva, Peter Taylor, Ron Runcieman, Pat Morris.

**Anniversaries:** We remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Recently Deceased:** We pray for all those who have died recently.

**Mass Intentions:** Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you would like to request a Mass said for your intentions. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. Please note that we are several months behind with Mass Intentions. If you require a specific date, we will try our best to do that date or as near it as possible. Thank you.

**Money Matters:** We received £670.50 in the collection last weekend and in the collection for World Communication Day we received £72.88. Thank you

**St Joseph's Primary School:** From September 2024, we are delighted to be able to offer 8 full time nursery places from 8.45am – 3.15pm Monday – Friday. Please contact the school office if you wish to register your child for a full-time place. This is a wonderful step forward for St Joseph's so please spread this great news to any families you know who have nursery age children.

**Legal Advice** - For those in need of legal advice a free initial and confidential legal advice consultation will now be available to our Parishioners by an experienced catholic solicitor. In the first instance, the initial consultation will not include consideration of documents. Please contact Paul Magee on 07821508731 or email [Paul.Magee@prosperitylaw.com](mailto:Paul.Magee@prosperitylaw.com).

**'...and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'** **St Peter on Pentecost Sunday (Acts 2:38).** You are welcome to join us for a Holy Hour for Pentecost. A time of prayer with worship music with scripture readings in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at Christ Church, Heald Green, SK8 3DY on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024, 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by refreshments in the hall.

**Diocesan Mass for the Celebration of Marriage 2024:** The annual Marriage Mass will take place on Saturday June 8th, 12 noon at Saint Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA, and will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. The event is open to those who are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year: Silver, Pearl, Ruby, Golden, Diamond or Platinum and also newly married couples. If you are eligible and would like to attend please speak to Fr Sean or email stockportshrine@gmail.com.

**Visit of Pilgrim Virgin Statue & Fatima Relics:** On Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, from 10.00am-4.00pm, the World Apostolate of Fatima will visit the parish of Our Lady & St Christopher, Romiley, with the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco and the Centenary Pilgrim Statute of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The statue was blessed at the Chapel of the Apparitions in Fatima. Pope St John Paul II invited us to receive the light of Fatima. The Fatima message of reparation, repentance and peace is still relevant to us today. The day includes Mass, Confession, film on the story of Fatima and Investiture and Enrolment of the Brown Scapular for those who wish to receive it. Please bring a packed lunch – hot and cold drinks provided. **Please see poster in porch for full details.** **The Mercy Brothers:** a clergy-based band from Salford and Shrewsbury Diocese are holding a fundraising concert to raise funds towards SVP youth work in Salford and Shrewsbury Dioceses. Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June at Our Lady's Social Club, Flint Street, Stockport, SK3 8GE. Tickets £15 per person available online or to purchase on the door on the night. See poster at the back of church for more details.

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**Acts 2:1-11:** When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

**Responsorial Psalm:** Send forth your spirit O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

**Galatians 5:16-25:** If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

**Sequence:** Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, From the clear celestial height Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure Come, thou light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, Thou, the soul's delightful guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow Thou in toil art comfort sweet Pleasant coolness in the heat Solace in the midst of woe. Light immortal, light divine, Visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill: If thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay All his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew On our dryness pour thy dew Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will Melt the frozen, warm the chill Guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore Thee confess and thee adore, With thy sevenfold gifts descend: Give us comfort when we die Give us life with thee on high Give us joys that never end.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

**John 15:26-27,16:12-15:** Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: *All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.*'