

St Joseph's RC Church

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19th January 2025 – 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 18 th	5pm	Elizabeth Matthews RIP
Sunday 19 th 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Tom Ah-Tou RIP People of the Parish
Monday 20 th	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors
Tuesday 21 st	12 noon	Maria Sandiford
Wednesday 22 nd	12noon	Joseph Mario Realì RIP
Thursday 23 rd	12 noon	Joe Ferrara Sr RIP
Friday 24 th <i>St Francis de Sales</i>	12 noon	Roni English
Saturday 25 th	5pm	Martin & Mary Sisson RIP
Sunday 26 th 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	The Ferrara Family People of the Parish

Daily Schedule	Monday - Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mass	12 noon	5pm	9.30am (with children's liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)
Eucharistic Adoration	7am-9pm		
Confessions	11am-11.45am	4pm-4.45pm	On request
Rosary for Vocations	11.20am		11am

****Adorers Needed**:** we are in need of Adorers to cover Adoration from 4pm-5pm and 6pm-7pm on Thursdays. Please let Fr Sean know if you are able to help. Thank you.

****Sunday 19th January 2025** is The Feast of Santo Niño and is celebrated by the Philippine community here in Stockport. The community will be using the Parish Hall following 11.30am Mass. Please note that tea/coffee will not be available this Sunday.**

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, Maddie Makonyola, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, John McCormick, Michael Philbin, Linda Abel, Ged Gibbons, Robyn Gibbons, Cora Tierney, Mary O'Brien, Laurie Glenn, Carmel Mayo, Anthony Healey, Margaret Runcieman, Ron Runcieman, Doreen Rowan, Mary McTigue, Oliver Gilsean, Michael John Ford, Roy Curran, Marion Williams, Celia Meehan, Nathan Hatfield, Angela Mullin, Keith Morris, Pat Morris, Lesley Morris, Maureen McGuire, Rosemarie Hurley, Bobby Henshall, Tony Kiely, Joanne Kiely. **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 we are approx 8 months behind. If you require a specific date, we will try our best to do that date or as near it as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

Money Matters: we received £898.30 in the collection last week. Thank you very much. This weekend we will have a second collection for the Priests' Retirement Fund.

Walsingham 2025 Pilgrimage: will be for 4 nights commencing on 5th May 2025. The cost is £508 Ensuite/£432 Standard. Please email Shelagh Humphries: shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com or phone 07853 176698 for details and to check availability. Thank you.

Car Park: please do not leave your car parked there unless you are attending something in church. Once all church events are finished the car park will be locked and your car would be left there overnight. There are no fixed closing times so please do not use the car park when you are doing other things in Stockport. Thank you.

Plenary Indulgence During this Jubilee Year: As Bishop Mark mentioned at his Mass to inaugurate the Jubilee Year, it is now possible to receive a plenary indulgence - which removes all temporal punishment due to sin - every day in St Joseph's, which along with the Cathedral is the pilgrim church for our diocese. (It is actually possible to receive it twice in one day.) Here is how:

- Come and pray in the Church. (If possible, pray for vocations to the priesthood but this is not obligatory to receive the indulgence.)
- Pray for the Pope's intentions when you are here.
- Receive Holy Communion.
- Go to Confession within 20 days before or after the visit.
- Detach yourself from all sin. That doesn't mean that you will never sin again through weakness, but try to rid yourself of all attachment or affection for sin that resides in your free will. IE: Resolve in your heart to sincerely try to quit gossiping, bearing grudges, looking at other people with lust, envy or anger etc etc...

Parish Safeguarding Representative is: Rosemary Linnane. *If you have any concerns about safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults, please contact Rosemary in the strictest confidence. Details are on the noticeboards in church and the parish hall.*

Isaiah 62:1-5: For Sion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Responsorial Psalm: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

1 Corinthians 12:4-11: Brothers and Sisters: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. God called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia.

John 2:1-11: At that time: There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding seventy or one hundred litres. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. And he said to them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.' So they took it. When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.' This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

Jubilee 2025 Prayer: *Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.*