

St Joseph's RC Church

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21st September 2025 – 25th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 20 th	5pm	Winnie Wardle RIP
Sunday 21 st 25 th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	People of the Parish Matthew Grant
Monday 22 nd	12 noon	Neriah
Tuesday 23 rd <i>St Pius Of Pietrelcina</i>	12 noon	George Terence Proctor RIP
Wednesday 24 th <i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>	12 noon	Kathy Thomas
Thursday 25 th	12 noon	Elizabeth & Paddy & family & friends
Friday 26 th	12 noon	Elvio Da Silva
Saturday 27 th	5pm	Mira Florcamay RIP
Sunday 28 th 26 th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Lee & Jane Higgins People of the Parish

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

Live-streaming: www.churchservices.tv/stjosephsrcchurchstockport.

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, 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 Gilsenan, 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, Kathleen Grimes, Terry Simms and James Croston.

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

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

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. We are approx 5 months behind. If you require a specific date, we will try our best to do that date or as near it as possible.

Money Matters: we received £754.25 in the collection last weekend. This weekend we have a collection for Evangelii Gaudium (Home Mission) Sunday. Thank you very much.

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

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Our 2025/26 course begins Monday 29th September 2025 at 7pm. The course is the process of formation and instruction for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic and will run for several months, if you are interested in joining, or would like to know more, please speak to Fr Sean. We look forward to meeting you and guiding you with prayer, discussions and teachings of the Catholic Faith.

Year 6 Open Evening: at Harrytown Catholic High School on Thursday, 2nd October 2025 from 4.30pm until 7.30pm. An opportunity to find out more about the school, meet some of the pupils and find out about the range of subjects and extracurricular activities offered.

Rosary Retreat Day and Jubilee Pilgrimage: here at Saint Joseph's on Saturday 25th October. Bishop Mark Davies will lead this Jubilee Pilgrimage. The Rosary Retreat will begin at 9.30 am with reflections and the praying of the Mysteries of the Rosary scriptural meditations. Holy Mass will be celebrated by the Bishop at 11.00 am who will renew the entrustment of the Diocese to Our Lady especially entrusting in this shrine dedicated to Eucharistic Adoration and intercession for the sanctification of priests and new and generous priestly vocations all vocations to the Priesthood. The day will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Solemn Benediction at 3.30 pm. Please bring a packed lunch.

Jubilee for Catechists with Bishop Mark Davies, the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph and Natalie Orefice, Diocesan Director of Evangelisation and Catechesis. On Saturday 15th November at St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine, Tatton St, Stockport SK1 1EJ. Book a free place here: <https://bit.ly/Jubilee-for-Catechists>

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest: Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection (4/5 October) to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Ware's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope . You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

Family and Group Stays at Castlerigg Manor: this October Half Term: Castlerigg Manor is a Retreat Centre in the Lake District, owned by the Diocese of Lancaster, and they are opening their doors to family groups, individuals and other small groups once again during October Half Term (Oct 27-31). A good option for anyone looking for a budget get-away in a beautiful part of the country. Book at <https://castleriggmanor.com/> or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Amos 8:4-7: Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, saying, 'When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, that we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and sell the chaff of the wheat?' The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: 'Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.'

Responsorial Psalm: *Praise the LORD, who raises the poor.*

1 Timothy 2:1-8: Beloved: First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and an Apostle — I am telling the truth, I am not lying — a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarrelling.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Jesus Christ, though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. Alleluia.

Luke 16:1-13: At that time: Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager." And the manager said to himself, "What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He said, "A hundred measures of oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty." Then he said to another, "And how much do you owe?" He said, "A hundred measures of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and write eighty." The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.' And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. 'One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful with the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.'