

St Joseph's RC Church

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19th October 2025 – 29th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 18 th	5pm	Jim, Margaret & Pat Riley RIP	
Sunday 19 th 29 th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Special Intention (EK) People of the Parish	
Monday 20 th St Peter of Alcantara	12 noon	Pat, Jean & Carmel Shannon & their deceased family members	
Tuesday 21 st	12 noon	Conor O'Doherty	
Wednesday 22 nd	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Thursday 23 rd	12 noon	Philip de Mouilpied RIP	
Friday 24 th	12 noon	For those on our November List	
Saturday 25 th	5pm	The Riley Family	
Sunday 26 th 30 th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Dora Sudgir RIP 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 for Tuesdays 7pm-8pm. Please speak to Fr Sean if you are able to help.

We pray for our sick: Jacobi Hill, Maria Sandiford, Jane Coupes, John McCormick, Michael Philbin, Linda Abel, Ged Gibbons, Robyn Gibbons, 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, James Croston, John Wallis, Wyn Ah-tou, Mary O'Brien Toni Wilson and Derek Boulton.

Recently Deceased: We pray for Kathleen Irving, Theo Freeman and 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 £687.53 in the collection last week. During September, we received £1774.00 in standing orders, £716.30 in online giving and £1566.92 in donations. Thank you very much. This weekend we will have a collection for World Mission Sunday – donations for this can also be made via the card machine.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Our 2025/26 course has begun and takes place on Monday evenings at 7pm. The course is the process of formation and instruction for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic and will run for several months. There is still time to join the course. If you are interested in joining please speak to Fr Sean.

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.

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

Walsingham 2026 Pilgrimage: is from 4-8 May 2026. Bookings are now being taken with the expected cost to be a maximum of £450 in standard accommodation and £530 in ensuite. Cost includes coach travel and half board. If you would like to book you will need to pay a non refundable deposit of £100 by 25 October 2025. Please email shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com for a booking form and further details.

Rosary Retreat Day and Jubilee Pilgrimage: this Saturday, 25th October. Bishop Mark Davies will be with us to lead this Jubilee Pilgrimage. The Rosary Retreat begins 9.30 am with reflections & 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.

Vacancy: A vacancy has arisen for the role of Cook within St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine, Stockport. This is a permanent appointment requiring 9 hours per week; 3 hours each day on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Rate of Pay – £12.60 per hour. Applications should be sent to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Further details are available on the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

November List: During November we remember all those who have died and especially those who have died in the past year. If you would like someone to be remembered at this time, please write the name(s) clearly and place in the 'November List' box at the back of church. During November the box will be placed on the altar. If you would like to leave a donation, please place in the envelope and post through the presbytery door. Thank you.

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>

Talk: The LMA 9 Pro-Life Group is hosting Ira Winter, of *Fiat Fertility Care*, for a talk on "**God's Design For Fertility**" to which all are welcome. Her talk will bring out the wonders of procreation in ways which are still too little known. She will also explain the potential of Natural Reproductive Medicine for couples struggling to conceive or wishing to space pregnancies. The talk will take place on Thursday, 30th October at 7pm at St Mary's Caritas Centre, Delamere Rd, Crewe CW1 2JX.

Exodus 17:8-13: In those days: Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. So Moses said to Joshua, 'Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.' So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands grew weary, so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side. So his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people with the sword.

Responsorial Psalm: *Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.*

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2: Beloved: Continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. The word of God is living and active, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia.

Luke 18:1-8: At that time: Jesus told his disciples a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, "Give me justice against my adversary." For a while he refused, but afterwards he said to himself, "Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming." ' And the Lord said, 'Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'