

St Joseph's RC Church

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26th October 2025 – 30th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times and Intentions:

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
Monday 27 th	12 noon	Katherine McLoughlin
Tuesday 28 th Ss Simon and Jude	12 noon	Derek Boulton
Wednesday 29 th	12 noon	Michael Joseph Martin RIP
Thursday 30 th	12 noon	Nora (Ambrose) O'Donnell RIP
Friday 31 st	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors
Saturday 1 st	5pm	Caroline Howard
Sunday 2 nd All Saints	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Philomena & Michael Linnane 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

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 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 £804.64 in the collection last week and £303.30 for World Mission Sunday. Thank you very much.

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.*

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.

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

Save the Date: Saturday 13th December 2025 7.00pm Christmas Concert by Stockport Male Voice Choir joined by guests from Manchester Civil Service Choir. Come along and listen to a selection of Christmas themed songs and traditional Christmas Carols. Mulled wine, mince pies plus a raffle. More details to follow.

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.

Footsteps: Thursday 13th November at 7.30pm: Our last event in the 2025 programme of inspiring talks in the parish centre of St Peter's, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA will be with Sister Alicia Perez who will be taking us on a pilgrimage - the famous Camino de Santiago. She is involved in the Camino Companions, which is a project of the Sisters Faithful Companions of Jesus in Santiago de Compostela to serve English-speaking pilgrims who arrive in Santiago after their long Camino journey. Footsteps provides an informal, café-style forum where we can listen to and reflect on various topics as we journey in our Christian faith. We hope to see you there.

Sirach 35:15b-17, 20-22b: The Lord is the judge, and with him is no partiality. He will not show partiality in the case of a poor man; and he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan or the widow when she pours out her story. He whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted, and his prayer will reach to the clouds. The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds, and he will not be consoled until it reaches the Lord; he will not desist until the Most High visits him and does justice for the righteous and executes judgement. And the Lord will not delay.

Responsorial Psalm 34 (33): *The lowly one called, and the LORD heard him.*

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18: Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing. At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.

Luke 18:9-14: At that time: Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: "God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'