

St Joseph's RC Church

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2nd November 2025 – All Saints

Mass Times and Intentions:

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	
Monday 3 rd	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Tuesday 4 th	12 noon	Anthony Wright & Family	
Wednesday 5 th	12 noon	Mary Shine	
Thursday 6 th	12 noon	Mary Ryan RIP	
Friday 7 th	12 noon	All those in our Remembrance Book	
Saturday 8 th	5pm	Michael Joseph Martin RIP	
Sunday 9 th Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	9.30am (with Children’s Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	John Morgan 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 £851.20 in the collection last week, and we received £901.45 in the collection during the Rosary Retreat Day. 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.*

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.

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/>

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>

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.

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14: I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel. After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm 24 (23): *Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.*

1 John 3:1-3: Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

Matthew 5:1-12a: At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'