

St Joseph's RC Church

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1st March 2026 – 2nd Sunday Lent Year A

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 28 th	5pm	Emily Burrow	
Sunday 1 st March 2nd Sunday Lent Year A	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Shirley Sears RIP People of the Parish	
Monday 2 nd	12 noon	Bronislaw Szal RIP	
Tuesday 3 rd	12 noon	Jose Roberto da Silva	
Wednesday 4 th	12 noon	Jennifer Coward	
Thursday 5 th	12 noon	For all of our Benefactors	
Friday 6 th	12 noon	For all those in our Remembrance Book	
Saturday 7 th	5pm	Margaret Doyle & Family	
Sunday 8 th 3 rd Sunday Lent Year A	9.30am (with Children's Liturgy) 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)	Alice Wray 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)
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, 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, Kathleen Grimes, John Wallis, Wyn Ah-tou, Toni Wilson, Derek Boulton, Marcela Robinson, Cillian Gallagher, Noel Fowler, Lynn Newby and all those who are sick.

Recently Deceased: We pray for Deacon Terry Simms and all those who have died recently.

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

Deacon Terry Simms RIP: Margaret and family would like to thank everyone for their condolences, prayers and Masses at this time. Thank you also to all those who came to Terry's funeral, it was lovely that so many clergy and friends were able to come and celebrate his life.

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 4 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 £614.52 in the collection last week. Thank you very much. This weekend we will have a second collection for CAFOD. *Please note that there are wall boxes to collect monies/donations for flowers and cards these are located at the side of the confessional.*

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.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection: This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ’s compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. You can give your offering at the collection today, alternatively you can donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope. Thank you.

Walsingham 2026 Pilgrimage 4-8 May 2026: Cost £450 in standard accommodation and £530 in en-suites. Cost includes coach travel and half board. The 2nd payment of £215 is due by 1st March 2026. This is also the last date any bookings can be made. Please email shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com for details.

Celebration of St Joseph and St Patrick: Saturday 21st March 2026 at 7pm in St Joseph's Parish Hall. Tickets cost £20.00 and includes a two-course meal. Entertainment by the Keegan School of Dance, followed by a sing-a-long of toe-tapping melodies by The Craic. Raffle and Licensed bar available. Tickets now on sale after Masses or by calling 0161 483 6904 or 07412 003991.

World Day of Prayer: (A women led, global, ecumenical movement) Our sisters in Nigeria lead us for the Day of Prayer 2026. With over 200m people, Nigeria is enriched by over 250 ethnic groups, with more than 500 indigenous languages. There is a diverse climate from equatorial to arid. Your local service is on Friday 6 March, 2pm Tiviot Dale Methodist church, Tiviot Dale, Stockport, SK1 1TA and will be followed by refreshments. A Stockport town centre church, with parking close by. Everyone welcome! Why not join us this year?

Vacancy: St Simon’s Catholic Primary School is a warm, welcoming school where Christ is the inspiration for all that we do. We are seeking an creative, and dedicated Reception class teacher to join our EYFS team and cover a period of maternity leave to begin in April 2026 For further information, please click on the link:

<https://www.greater.jobs/en-gb/job/75781053> Visits to our school are warmly welcomed. Please spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested in working at our fabulous school.

Harrytown Catholic High School has a vacancy for a Lay Chaplain closing date 6th March. Please visit the School Website for further details – www.harrytownschool.org. Please visit the school website for more information – www.harrytownschool.org

Genesis 12:1-4a: In those days: The LORD said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’ So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Responsorial Psalm 33 (32) May your merciful love be upon us, as we hope in you, O LORD.

2 Timothy 1:8b-10: Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father. From a bright cloud, the Father’s voice was heard: ‘This is my beloved Son, listen to him’. Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father.

Matthew 17:1-9: At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, ‘Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.’ He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, ‘This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.’ When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, ‘Rise, and have no fear.’ And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, ‘Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.’

The Holy Father’s prayer intention for March: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.