

St Joseph's RC Church

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30th August 2026 – Twenty Second Sunday Year A

Mass Times and Intentions:

Saturday 29 th	5pm		Eveline Airey RIP
Sunday 30 th Twenty Second Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)		Celia Meehan People of the Parish
Monday 31 st	12 noon		Matthew Bassirat
Tuesday 1 st September	12 noon		Patrick Whelan RIP
Wednesday 2 nd	12 noon		Anna Hughes
Thursday 3 rd <i>St Gregory the Great</i>	12 noon		For all of our Benefactors
Friday 4 th	12 noon		For those in our Remembrance Book
Saturday 5 th	5pm		Teresa Phelan RIP
Sunday 6 th Twenty Third Sunday Ordinary Time Year A	9.30am 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)		Enda Donegan RIP People of the Parish
Daily Schedule	Monday - Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Mass	12 noon	5pm	9.30am 11.30am (with Gregorian Chant)
Adoration	9am-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 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, Kathleen Grimes, John Wallis, Wyn Ah-Tou, Toni Wilson, Derek Boulton, Marcela Robinson, Cillian Gallagher, Noel Fowler, Lynn Newby, Cathie Cunliffe Downs, Liz Wallis, John Humphries & all those who are sick.

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

Anniversaries: We remember Bridget Elizabeth Martin and 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. If you require a specific date, please give at least two weeks notice and we will try our best to do that date or as near it as possible.

Money Matters we received £629.86 in the collection last week. Thank you very much.

Card Reader: occasionally there are problems with internet connectivity to the card reader. If this happens and you cannot make your payment via the machine, you can pay by card online <https://donate.mydona.com/st-joseph-stockport> or scan the QR code.



Request from Gift Aid Co-ordinator Can the owner of boxed envelopes number 5, please contact Rosemary 07977002396 asap, Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding Representative: is 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.

Wednesday prayer group: every Wednesday at 7pm- 8.30pm in the church hall. The group will be doing Lectio Divina over the summer, and then intend to study a papal document, probably on the Eucharist, for three weeks each month with Lectio on the fourth. For more information contact Karen on 07974 024288. All welcome.

Sponsor a Slate: to help raise more funds for the South Aisle roof as well as our ongoing restoration works. For a suggested donation of £15 you can sponsor a slate in the name of anyone you choose. Please take a form/envelope from the back of church and return with your payment either by leaving in the Donations Box or posting through the presbytery door. Payment can be made by cash or card via the Dona machine. Your message will be written on the slate prior to installation on the roof. The names of all sponsors will be added to our Book of Thanksgiving. Thank you for your ongoing support

St Joseph's Needs Youcalling all men!! We are going to start writing the prayers from your offerings onto the slates for the last phase of the roof work. In order to undertake this task the good slates saved from taking the old slates off the original roof now need to be cleaned, and we are asking for volunteers to do this. There will be a sheet at the back of Church for you to leave your contact details. Thank you for your help.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: next course will begin in September 2026. The course is the process of formation and instruction for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic or if you are a Baptised Catholic who missed receiving First Communion and or Confirmation. The course will run for several months, if you are interested, or would like to know more, please speak to Fr Sean or Rosemary. The sessions are a Journey in Faith, exploring the Catholic faith in a welcoming, pressure free environment.

Walsingham 2027: The 2027 pilgrimage will be from Monday 3 May 2027 to Friday 7 May 2027. A non refundable deposit of £110 is required by 11 October 2026. Further details on the cost to follow but it will be around £560 in the en-suite rooms. Further details available from Shelagh Humphries
shelaghclarinet@virginmedia.com

Vacancies: The Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team (SYMT) are recruiting for a Programme Coordinator and Team Member and The Curial office is recruiting an Accounts Assistant. Closing date 18th September. CV's to be sent to recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. More details found <https://dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers>

Footsteps: Thursday 3rd September at 7.30pm at St Peter's Hazel Grove, the Bishop of Stockport, Sam Corley will be talking about 'Lessons in prayer from the South Pacific'. All welcome.

The Dimensions of Love – Fr Tom's Pilgrimage: To mark ten years of priestly ministry, Fr Tom Cunnah will undertake a nine-day, 130-mile thanksgiving pilgrimage across the Diocese, from West Kirby to Ludlow and Shining Tor, beginning on 3 September. Along the way, he will be praying for vocations and raising awareness and funds for the work of Caritas supporting families in need. Parishioners can follow his journey on Caritas social media. See poster at back of churches for more information.

Jeremiah 20:7-9: O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

Responsorial Psalm 63 (62): For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God.

Romans 12:1-2: I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us. Alleluia.

Matthew 16:21-27: At that time: Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.'