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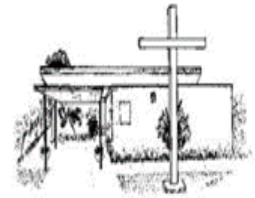


*My dear people,
I am always moved by the generous support given to the annual collection for the Retired Priests' Fund. It is a mark of the deep gratitude felt for the devoted service of so many priests. I am sure that with your continued support, we can commit to build up this Fund to meet the present and future needs of all of our sick and retired priests. I am aware that, following the disruption of the pandemic, there are many calls on your generosity. Today I wish to invite you to show your support in whatever way is possible. I also wish to express my gratitude for your unfailing generosity in helping the priests who have so generously served our Shrewsbury Diocese.*

With my blessing
+ Man
Bishop of Shrewsbury

Newsletter for the Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles, St. Ambrose and St. Vincent de Paul

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16th JANUARY 2022. THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

You can join us via this Live Stream link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport> (for Our Lady's church)
OR click on tinyurl.com/stockportparishes or [Stockport Parishes - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...) (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose) **IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE USE THE HAND SANITISER, SIGN IN AT THE DOOR FOR TRACK AND TRACE USING THE QR CODE OR PAPER, WEAR A FACE COVERING, AND GIVE PEOPLE SOME SPACE UNTIL THE PANDEMIC IS OVER.**

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sun 16th Jan	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—Day of Special prayer for world peace.	5.30pm 7.00pm 9.30am 11.00am	Vigil Mass Sat. St Ambrose Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's St Vincent's Our Lady's	Morrell Family— Private int Marie O'Callaghan RIP Patricia Kenny RIP Ted Donnelly RIP
Mon 17th Jan	St Anthony, Ab	9.30am	St. Ambrose	Holy Souls
Tues 18th Jan	Ferial -The Octave of Prayer for Christian unity	9.30am	Our Lady's	Service of Word and Communion
Wed 19th Jan	Ferial (St Wulstan, B)	9.30am	St. Vincent's	Holy Souls
Thurs 20th Jan	Ferial (St Fabian, Pp,M & St Sebastian, M)	9.30am 7.00pm	St Ambrose Our Lady's-	Thomas Joseph Little Service of Word and Communion
Fri 21st-Jan	St Agnes, V,M	9.30am 1.00pm	St. Vincent's Funeral—OLATA	Deceased Members of all the Fitzpatrick Family Kenneth Moores
Sat 22nd Jan	Ferial (St Vincent, DC, M. BVM on Saturday)	9.30am	Our Lady's	Service of Word and Communion
Sun 23rd Jan	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—Day of Special prayer for openness to the Word of God.	5.30pm 7.00pm 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm	Vigil Mass Sat. St Ambrose Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's St Vincent's Our Lady's Baptism—OLATA	Mary Willis Our Parish Family Patricia Kenny RIP Nicholas Family— Thkgiving Evie Jane Doran

There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every weekday morning from 8:30am to 9:30am.
The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after 9.30am Mass on Saturday morning and by appointment.

Please pray for those preparing to receive the sacraments:

Baptisms: New Baptism classes will commence in **January 2022**

First Holy Communion: You may begin now to enroll for next year's classes for those not in Catholic schools. Please send names to the parish office. Would you consider volunteering as a Catechist?

RCIA: Are you or anyone you know **interested in joining the Catholic Church**, or just wish to learn more about the faith? Please send us an email or call the Parish Office to give your details. God Bless!

In St. Vincent's: We remember in our prayers all the intentions on the St. Vincent's Prayer Board. Please add your intentions to the Prayer Board in church and you can see who is in need of our prayers on our website under "Thoughts for the week".

In Our Lady's: Maureen Brosnahan, Kelly Brosnahan, Zach Tierney, Irene Cox, Lee Abernathy, Janice Cook, Eileen Me- lia, Annie Topping, Theresa Burrows, Josephine O'Hagan, Denise Corlet, Nora Reade, Tommy Higgins, Marie Kenefick, Eileen Mains, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Michael Heath, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Mary Brett, Vivienne Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Ronald Fury, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon and Sean O'Callaghan.

In St. Ambrose's: Mavis Doggett, Khia Whitehead, Eleanor Loftus, Mary Andrusiak, Carl Stanley, C. Wootton, Mary Sein, Paul Thuoc, Barry Lloyd, Andrew Way, Mary Young, Irene Walker, Veronica Norbury, John Holt, Imelda Judge, Veronica Lane, Joanna Winter, Pat Judge, Paul McClure, Helen Jenkins, Marie Hughes.

Recently Departed: May the soul of Dominique Davies, Anthony Morris, Patrick Broadhurst, Ken Price, Mary Dyer and the souls of all our recently departed rest in peace.

Anniversaries

John Selby, Andrew Ashmore, Elizabeth Birks, Dorothy Wright, Maise Whelan, Leslie Gurney, Bill O'Brien, Clare Morris Wilson, Bridget Maureen Nerney, Jean Mary Hapson, Jimmy Horan, Keith Robert Currie, Sister Francis Nolan, Patrick Kenny, Emily Grundy, Noel Walsh, John Anthony McClelland, Agnes Mur- ry, Mary O'Connor, Harry Oldham, Patricia White, Margerat' Josie' McGowan, Eileen Roughley, Felix Norton, Arthur Wood, Maureen O'Shea.

General Notices:

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR 2022—JANUARY PRAYER— For True Human Frater- nity; We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dig- nity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY PROSPONEMENT: The Service for Christian Unity which was due to take place at Chester Cathedral on **22nd January** has been postponed. The service will now be held some- time in the summer and the details will be circulated once I have received them.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at St Gabriel's on Sunday 23rd at 3pm. The choir from St George's will be in attendance. St Gabriel's is on the corner of Garner's Lane and Clover Avenue, Adswood.

Vacancy for a Clergy Welfare Officer – The clergy welfare officer will provide, advice, practical assistance, and support on a wide range of issues including health, finances and housing. Hours: 21 hours a week. Salary £38,000-£42,000 FTE pro-rotated dependant on experience and qualifications. Closing date Friday 11 Febru- ary. For further details please see <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> completed ap- plications to be sent to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School—Stockport. Governors are advertising for a new Headteacher. The clos- ing date for applications is 24th January 2022. For further information please visit one of the following websites— School www.st-josephs-pri.stockport.sch.uk Diocese www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/vacancies/primary Local Authority www.stockport.gov.uk/job-vacancies

Stella Maris Independent Prep School Heaton Mersey currently has a vacancy for a School Administrator/ Secretary. This is a full-time role. For more details about this position and to view the job description please visit the school website: stellamarisschool.co.uk

FR MARTIN'S NEWLY PUBLISHED BOOKS, *Mary, Daughter Zion & Actio Divina* will be available this Christmas, published by Peter Lang, Oxford. This can be ordered on Amazon and other outlets.

Second Collection — The collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is held annually usually over one weekend in January. The Priests' Retirement Fund will be collected this weekend—15/16th of January 2022.

Last weekend's collections (excludes standing orders) : **OLATA**– £492.66 **St Ambrose** -£201.94 **St Vincent**– £141.50
THANK YOU!

Offertory envelopes can be obtained from the Parish Office or see links for online giving to the Parishes: Please check our websites

Free Medical Outreach Umunomo 2022—Father Martin thanks parishioners for their prayers and support as the free medical programme was a success.

Ultimate Book Club—Rev. Philip Berry will address us on the book of Deuteronomy on Sunday 6th February at 2pm. If you can't make the meeting you can watch on live streaming via the web site. Deuteronomy is a series of sermons given by Moses towards the end of their time in the wilderness. Moses reminds the children of Israel of their history, the laws God has given them and the love God has for them going forward. The meeting will be at Centrepoint and will conclude with a hot drink.

Mini Vinnies- are collecting used cards to be refashioned into new Christmas cards by "mini vinnies" in schools within the Diocese. The new cards would then be given by prison chaplains to those in prison to give to their chil- dren and families when making their Christmas visits to the prisons. This idea has worked – additionally cards have been given to those who are in isolation or who are vulnerable as well as those who have a family member able to visit. I enhances – family relationships. Obviously the personalised part of the cards were detached. The used cards refashioned in 7 schools and will be taken in a week's time to the Chaplains at HMP Berwyn (Wrexham) which houses 1800 men. So the guys have something to give to their families, particularly children. The Mini Vinnie co ordinating group wish to repeat the idea and extend it to other prisons such as Thorn Cross and Risley near Stockton Heath.

The SVP Prison Group is different from the SVP in parishes but I am keeping the parish conference informed. There is a **black bag clearly labelled at the back** of the church for collection of old Christmas cards. Thank you - Kevin McKenna.

Dominique Davies (McKee) Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday the 25th of January at 12pm at Our Lady's. Followed by cremation at the Rowan Chapel Stockport crematorium at 1.45pm.

Our Lady's News

The Piety Stall—is now open for cards and gifts, and a selection of rosary beads.

Children's Liturgy: Hand sanitisers will be available and surfaces will be wiped down. The leaders will be wear- ing face masks as per the diocese guidance and we respectfully ask any parents/ guardians to wear a face mask if attending with children. Please can we ask that children do not attend if they have been in contact with anyone who is covid positive, have a temperature, cough or cold symptoms to avoid spreading viruses to others.

St Ambrose News

SVP welcome any used postage stamps. These can be handed in at St Ambrose.

The Piety stall has some lovely new items including Calendars and Rosary Beads. Please take time to have a look.

St Vincent's News

Monday Prayer Group after Service of Word and Communion at 10am

Monday evening - Exploring Faith group 7.30pm in church

Thursday Club (aka Bramhall Day Care) are looking for volunteers to help with teas and coffees and activities for our very elderly when we restart our programme. Join the rota to help for a few hours on a Thursday once or twice a month. For details contact Jane Roberts (439 4326)

These are the links for online giving to the Parishes:

For Our Lady's parishioners, the link is:

<https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/ourladyandtheapostlesdioceseofshrewsbury2127>

For St. Ambrose parishioners, the link is:

<https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stambroseadswooddioceseofshrewsbury2185>

For St. Vincent's parishioners, the link is:

<https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stvincentdepaulbramhalldioceseofshrewsbury2608>

Please send any items for inclusion in the newsletter to the Parish Office by 12 midday on Thursday. Kindly indicate parish of choice for your mass intentions. Bear in mind that dates might not be available.

Our Lady and the Apostles, Shaw Heath, Stockport SK3 8BQ St. Ambrose, Adswood Road, Stockport, SK3 3QA, St. Vincent de Paul, 29 Handley Road, Bramhall, Stockport, SK7 3E

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