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

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Sunday 16th May 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

We are glad we can still gather to celebrate the Eucharist! We are assured, nevertheless, that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is removed during these emergency circumstances. You can participate in these Masses via this Live Stream link: <u>https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport</u> (for Our Lady's church) OR click on tinyurl.com/stockportparishes or Stockport Parishes - YouTube (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')

IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES. WE ASK THAT YOU WEAR A FACE COVERING AT MASS

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sun 16 th May	Seventh Sunday of	5.30pm	Vigil Mass Sat. St. Ambrose'	Our Parish Family
	Easter	7.00pm	Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's	Our Parish Family
		9.30am	St. Vincent's	Our Parish Family
	DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD	11.00am	Our Lady's	Parishioners' Intentions in thanksgiving
	COMMUNICATION			from Tommy and Una Higgins
Mon 17 th May	Ferial	9.30am	St. Ambrose	John Byrne (ann)
Tues 18 th May	Ferial (St. John I)	9.30am	Our Lady's	Intentions of Tommy Higgins
Wed 19 th May	St. Milburga	9.30am	St. Vincent's	Sr. Gertrude RIP
Thurs 20 th	Ferial (St. Bernadine	9.30am	St. Ambrose's	Liam Gibbons RIP
May	of Siena)	7.00pm	Our Lady's	Jeanne Norah Shilliday RIP
Fri 21 st May	Dedication of the	9.30am	St. Vincent's	Holy Souls
	Cathedral			
Sat 22 nd May	Ferial (St. Rita of	9.30am	Our Lady's	All deceased members of the McKee
	Cascia)			family
Sun 23 rd May	PENTECOST	5.30pm	Vigil Mass Sat. St. Ambrose'	Our Parish Family
	SUNDAY	7.00pm	Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's	Bridget (Beenie) Crowley RIP
	DAY OF SPECIAL	9.30am	St. Vincent's	Our Parish Family
	PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH	11.00am	Our Lady's	Our Parish Family

There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every weekday morning from 8:30am to 9:30am via livestream. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after 9.30am Mass on Saturday morning and by appointment. Pray the **Rosary and Pentecost Novena** via livestream from Our Lady's at 7.30pm each evening during May. **WORLD COMMUNICATION DAY: S**pecial collection today. Thank you.

Please pray for:

The Sick

In St. Vincent's: We remember in our prayers all the intentions on the **St. Vincent's** Prayer Board. If you would like a copy of the list and have not received one by email or post, please contact Jane Roberts on 0161 439 4326.

In Our Lady's: Annie Topping, Theresa Burrows, Norah Heneghan, Josephine O'Hagan, Denise Corlett, Elaine Hallworth, Nora Reade, Tommy Higgins, Marie Kenefick, Eileen Mains, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Michael Heath, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Mary Brett, George E. Smith, Viviene Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Ronald Fury, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Catherine Tracey, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon and Sean O'Callaghan.

In St. Ambrose's: Mavis Doggett, Terry Skorzewski, 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, and Marie Hughes.

Lately Dead

Sylvia Sivori, May O'Brian, Howard Savage, David Leigh

Anniversaries

Esther Lafferty, Dr. M.W. Gradwell, Mary Curbishley (née Selby), Stephanie Mullin, Joyce Barry, Edith Rowe, Nathaniel Rowe, Joyce Veronica Cunningham, Eddie Murray, Betty Jackson (birthday anniversary), Cath Platt, Moira Selby, Brid Rooney, Terence Muldoon, Arthur Gee, and Phoebe Mary Stevens.. May they all rest in peace.

Year of St. Joseph: 'The position of St Joseph as husband and foster father gives witness to the dignity of fatherhood.' V. J. Mindszenty.

Fr Martin Writes: Parish Secretary: Sadly, I announce the leaving of our able secretary, Sheena Nolan, after three years of dedicated and excellent service to the parish. We are most grateful to her. We welcome our new parish secretary, Marie Ann Jones, who commences this Monday, 17thMay. She will work alongside Sheena until Friday, 4th June, which will be Sheena's last working day. Sheena will indeed be sorely missed! I am sure you will all join me in thanking Sheena and wishing her well in her future plans. May we also give Marie Ann a very warm welcome and pray for her as she fills the enormous shoes of a fantastic predecessor!

Mary's Month of May: In response to the Holy Father's initiative and according to our Catholic tradition, we will have the rosary daily at 7.30pm. As we did in October, I call on individuals and families to volunteer to lead these live-streamed rosaries please. A Novena for Pentecost began on Friday and will continue to be combined with the Rosary devotion via live stream from Our Lady's at 7.30pm. The Novena, which focuses on the Care of Creation, can be downloaded from: http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Pentecost-Novena-Creation-21.pdf

The Care of Creation At a time of growing concern for the care of creation, the Church brings to the environmental concerns of our time the perspective of God's creation and the place of humanity within creation. The Church across the country is taking practical steps with IFM (Inter-Diocesan Fuel Management Limited), based in our Shrewsbury Diocese and supplying all 22 dioceses and over 100 schools with 71% green energy and with a 29% carbon offset. The offset schemes include renewable boreholes in Eritrea and a new energy plant in Bangladesh using household waste (including landfill), to reduce the methane being produced and provide renewable power. IFM is also using its buying power to drive the demand for "green gas" in the UK.

Thank you for your generous donations to **CAFOD's Family Fast Day** during Lent. As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation and quarantine centres. Please donate here: cafod.org.uk/give Please keep praying for the people of India and all affected by the pandemic.

St. Vincent's News: We have a possible starting date for the work on the new porch of 1st June, and any changes to Mass times will be announced as soon as we have final confirmation. In Bramhall and Woodford, there will be no door-to-door collections for Christian Aid week this year. As an alternative, please give via the following:

Online: <u>www.christianaid.org.uk</u> and click "donate", using our reference "OR35675 – Bramhall & Woodford Christian Aid Group" or by telephone: 020 7523 2269. Please quote reference "OR35675"

The Martins **''Midnight'' 10km for St Ann's Hospice** is this weekend. Many thanks to all who have already donated. The link is here for those wishing to do so. <u>https://mmwalk.blackbaud-sites.com/fundraising/martin-midnight-walk</u>

A memorial is being arranged for the **late Kathleen (Kath) Hodkinson** who died suddenly last year. Please will any friends who might like to attend contact Marge Newbrook at either St. Ambrose, on 0161 483 2662 or <u>margeandjim@hotmail.co.uk</u>

SVP Project, Planning Application- assistance needed. The SVP nationally are exploring the possibility of having a centre in Birkenhead. Negotiations for the grant of the lease are ongoing and it will be necessary to make a planning application for change of use. The team who are working to get the project off the ground are seeking someone with experience of CAD who may be able to draw plans of the existing building to assist in submitting a planning application for change of use so the building can offer the provision of food and training. Anyone who could assist in drawing up the building plans please contact Rose Mullarkey on 07905 952798 or any SVP Member.

These are the links for online giving to the Parishes:

For **Our Lady's** parishioners, the link is: <u>https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/ourladyandtheapostlesdioceseofshrewsbury2127</u> For **St. Ambrose** parishioners, the link is: <u>https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stambroseadswooddioceseofshrewsbury2185</u> For **St. Vincent's** parishioners, the link is: <u>https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stvincentdepaulbramhalldioceseofshrewsbury2608</u> *Our Lady and the Apostles, Shaw Heath, Stockport SK3 8BQ* **St. Ambrose**, Adswood Road, Stockport, SK3 3QA

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