Entrance Antiphon Ps 65:4

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First reading 'The Lord delights in you.' Isaiah 62:1-5

For Sion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 96(95):1-2a. 2b-3. 7-8a. 9-10

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Second reading 'The one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.' 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Brothers and Sisters: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Gospel Acclamation

'This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee.'

2 Thessalonians 2:14

At that time

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee,

and the mother of Jesus was there.

Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples.

When the wine ran out,

the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.'

And Jesus said to her,

'Woman, what does this have to do with me?

My hour has not yet come.'

His mother said to the servants,

'Do whatever he tells you.'

Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification,

each holding seventy or one hundred litres.

Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water.'

And they filled them up to the brim.

And he said to them,

'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.'

So they took it.

When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine,

and did not know where it came from

(though the servants who had drawn the water knew).

the master of the feast called the bridegroom

and said to him,

'Everyone serves the good wine first,

and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine.

But you have kept the good wine until now.'

This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee,

and manifested his glory.

And his disciples believed in him

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 22:55

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Or

We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

1 Jn 4:16

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

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 19TH JANUARY 2025

You can join us via this Live Stream link: https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport (for Our Lady's church) or Stockport Parishes YouTube (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')

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| Date | Feast | Time | Church | Mass Intention |
|---------------------------|---|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Sunday 19th January | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Day of Special Prayer for World Peace | 5pm Vigil | St Ambrose | Holy Souls |
| | | 6.30pm Vigil | Our Lady's | Our Parish Family |
| | | 9.30am | St Vincent's | Heather Keegan RIP |
| | | 11am | Our Lady's | Natalya Bartle Spec Int |
| Monday 20th January | Ferial | 9.30am | St. Ambrose | Victoria Tingey RIP, Ann |
| Tuesday 21st January | Ferial | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Patricia Wynne RIP |
| Wednesday 22nd January | Ferial | 9.30am | St Vincent's | Felix Norton |
| | | 12noon | Our Lady's Funeral | Requiem Mass, Leslie Plover |
| Thursday 23rd January | Ferial | 9.30am | St. Ambrose | World Peace and end to All Wars |
| | | 7pm | Our Lady's | Holy Souls |
| Friday 24th January | St Anthony, Ab | 9.30am | St Vincent's | Sarah Devine-Williams RIP |
| Saturday 25th January | Ferial | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Alison Walton RIP |
| | The Octave of Prayer | 5pm Vigil | St Ambrose | John Constable RIP |
| | for Christian Unity begins, | 6.30pm Vigil | Our Lady's | Our Parish Family |
| Sunday 26th January | THIRD SUNDAY IN | 9.30am | St Vincent's | Warren Walton RIP |
| | ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD | 11am | Our Lady's | Vocations to the Priesthood |
| | | | Our Lady's Baptism | Baptism of Rosie and Masie Walton |

There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Holy Hour** before every weekday morning Mass from 8:30am—0930hrs and before every Sunday Mass from February onwards.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after 9.30am Mass on Saturday morning.

Please pray for those preparing to receive the sacraments

Baptisms: Contact the parish office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Are you or anyone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church or wish to know more about the Catholic faith? Please join us after the 11am Mass every Sunday at Our Lady's. Confirmation: Please register with the parish office as soon as possible.

WEDDINGS: Please speak to Fr Martin after Mass or contact the parish office.

SAFEGUARDING LEADS FOR THE THREE PARISHES: St Vincent's-Judy Carey carey.judith@yahoo.com OLATA Ged Murtagh -geraldmurtagh@outlook.com St Ambrose — Marie Byrne <a href="mailto:mailto

Sick List

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: Joanna Mary Winter, Catherine Gibbons, Teresa Greenhalgh, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Mary Metcalfe Taya, Hayden Longworth, Peter Stanway, McKenzie Kiely, Pauline Hinson, Eileen McGahan, Barbara Murphy, Michelle Philips, Kelly Brosnahan, Zach Tierney, Irene Cox, Lee Abernathy, Janice Cook, Annie Topping, Marie Kennefik, Nora

IN St. Ambrose's: Emma Prior, Walt Tomlin, Roy Porter, Adeel, Vera Gallagher, Molly Lane, Michael Nealon, Colin Burns, Cerys Jones, June Campbell, Mavis Doggett, Khia Whitehead, Mary Sein, Paul Thuoc, Mary Young, , Imelda Judge, Veronica Lane, Joanna Winter, Paul McClure, Helen Jenkins, Helen Leasor, Terry Glynn, Leaf Matthieson, Susan Claffey.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: May the souls of Brenda Bowden, Eileen Mary Brennan, Christopher O'Gara, Leslie Plover, David Kyle Sloan, Patricia Wynne, Christopher Hung Kan-Hai, Warren Walton, Michael Gallagher, Michael David Smith, Jack Birch, Veronica Norbury, Elizabeth West, Veronica Knowles, Margaret Forester, Anne Sheridan, Raymond John Burke, Stuart Thorneycroft, Bernadette Marsh, Maureen Brosnahan, and all the souls of our recently departed rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: Jean Mary Hampson, Jimmy Horan, Keith Robert Currie, Sister Francis Nolan, Patrick Kenny, Emily Grundy, Noel Walsh, John Anthony McClelland, Mary O'Connor, Harry Oldham, Patricia White, Margaret 'Josie' McGowan, Eileen Roughley, Felix Norton, David Brotherton, Edward Hazzeldine, Elizabeth Ann Hynes, Kath Farnsworth, Bill McCann, Evelyn Little, Veronica Mary Power, Bill Kirkham, James Thomas Traynor, James Gerighty, Alan Riley

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES Please let the office know immediately if you would like to register your child for this Sacrament in 2025. Please register with the parish office. Mass attendance cards are at the back of church and need to be signed by the priest after each Mass.

BAPTISM CLASSES Book early via the parish email or phone.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH are held before every morning Mass in our three parishes. Please join us.

THE SVP CAMP FOR UNDER-PRIVILEGED CHILDREN was started in 1932 by members of the Society of St Vincent de Paul at Our Lady and the Apostles parish in Stockport. It has continued with very few interruptions ever since. Thousands of needy children have enjoyed a holiday with the SVP over the years. Following recent retirements, additional Volunteers are needed to assist at the Plas Gwynant Outdoor Centre, Caernarfon, North Wales between Monday 4th and Friday 8th. August. If you are available to help us on any of these days please contact Camp Organiser, John Hogan on 07512400211 or email:john.hogan3@ntlworld.com

Our Lady's School News: The newly established Parents / School Association (PSA) met this week to plan the first event - there will be a Valentine's Disco on Thursday 13th February for all the children.

Vacancy: for a Midday Assistant to join a small but friendly staff team. Please see https://www.greater.jobs/ job/75676276 for more information.

ST AMBROSE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL ADSWOOD: are looking for a practising Catholic to join them as a foundation governor. Experience in education is not a necessity but other transferable skills such as knowledge of HR or accountancy would be welcome. If you are interested or know someone who may be suitable, please contact the school office initially on 0161 480 8466.

- St Ambrose School Vacancy for a lunchtime organiser. The role involves supporting and supervising children at dinnertime in school. Please contact school on 0161 480 8466 or visit the school website for more details.
- Friday 24th January sees the launch of the Church's Year of Jubilee in school. Parishioners are invited to join St Ambrose school at 2:45pm for a special Celebration of the Word.

THINKING OF A New YEARS RESOLUTION? - The Bible in a Year is a fantastic way to read the bible, it takes 15—30 minutes per day. Fr Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cayins provide this for free on You Tube or for an annual fee on the Ascension App, which also includes other forms of Bible Study. The Bible in a Year takes the story of salvation, approximately 14 books of the bible, and puts the rest of the books of the bible around the story of that particular day. Jeff Cavins introduces each time period, explaining the story and the time period to help with the biblical perspective and Fr Mike reads the bible daily and explains its meaning. Also available on the app is; The Catechism in a Year.

A Warm Welcome to All Newcomers to our parishes. Please introduce yourselves to Fr. Martin and let the parish office have your email address so that we can send you the weekly newsletter and Sunday reflections every Friday afternoon. Contact us at stockport3parishes@gmail.com.

Silver Jubilee Mass on Wednesday 22nd January 2025 - Fr Blaise will celebrate 25 years of his priestly ordination at 0930 hrs mass at St Vincent's followed by refreshments. Please all come along to celebrate his special day.

CHRISTMAS CARDS—Please bring in your old Christmas cards. They will be re-made into new cards to raise money for our charity projects. Boxes are at the back of church or place them in.

80TH BIRTHDAY - Fr Geoff will be 80 at the end of January 2025. We will be celebrating with him when he returns from visiting his family.

THANK YOU for your donations to Fr Martin's MEDICAL OUTREACH MISSION in Nigeria - The GoFundMe page is still available, click on this link https://gofund.me/181ecc20 Let your shopping raise free donations. Sign up to #easyfundraising to raise free donations while you shop online with over 8,000 retailers like eBay, Argos and Sainsbury's - at no extra cost to you! Join today: https:// join.easyfundraising.org.uk/fr-martins-medical-outreach- mission So far, 20 of us have raised over £250.



SPECIAL COLLECTION, PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND - At Sunday Masses on 18th and 19th January.

Missio and Mill Hill Missionaries: Volunteer required for St Vincent's - Each parish benefits from having a dedicated volunteer to administer the mission Red Boxes to raise funds for the Pope's charity for overseas mission. More information at **missio.org.uk**. If you think you could carry out this ministry for St Vincent's then please make yourself known to the parish office or to Fr. Martin who will put you in touch with Missio. Missio provide training and support.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Monday 20th January

OUR LADY'S NEWS

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Every Sunday in the Guild Room during 11am Mass.



THE PIETY STALL - Open after Mass on Tuesday morning, and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

DONA ONLINE CARD DONATION STAND - give it a try or continue to use the QR code, or the weekly envelopes & standing order.

TEA AND COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS - After 11am Mass on Sunday

ST AMBROSE NEWS

PARISH LIBRARY AT ST AMBROSE - There are books on subjects such as the Church, the Saints and the Rosary to borrow at St Ambrose. Please borrow any books that interest your and please expand the library by donating suitable books.



THE ANNUAL SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY WILL be held at St Gabriel's Church on Sunday 19th January 2025, at 4.00pm. All are welcome.

QR CODE Please use this QR for online donations for St Ambrose.

ST VINCENT'S NEWS

MONDAY - 10AM Service of Word and Communion followed by Prayer Group.

BRIAN QUINN passed away just after Christmas and his funeral will take place at St. Mary's Heaton Norris, at 9.30am followed by 11.15am at Stockport Crematorium on 21st January 2024. Brian regularly attended Mass at St. Vincent's.



WEDNESDAY 22ND JAN - 9.30AM MASS TO CELEBRATE THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF FR BLAISE'S ORDINATION. Come and give thanks for his service and stay for Coffee and croissants

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - WATOTO CHOIR Tuesday 4th March early evening.

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.

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