

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 65: 1-2

*Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.*

First reading

Acts 5:27b-32, 40b

In those days: The high priest questioned the Apostles, saying, 'We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us.' But Peter and the Apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.' Having called in the Apostles, the council beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonour for the name.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 30(29):2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12a, 13b, R2a

*I will extol you, LORD, for you have raised me up.*

Second reading Revelation 5:11-14

I, John looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!' And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' and the elders fell down and worshipped.

Gospel Acclamation

cf. Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ is risen, who created all things and has shown compassion on the human race. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 21:1-19

At that time: Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, do you have any fish?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred metres off. When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared ask him, 'Who are you?' They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' He said to him a second time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.' (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Communion Antiphon Lk 24: 35

*The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.*

**The Jubilee Prayer:** Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

**Parish Jubilee Prayer (to be prayed daily)** - Hail Mary and Glory be.

**Extra jubilee Prayer Commitment :** Daily Rosary & Daily Holy Hour (available in our churches 8.30 am to 9.30 am)

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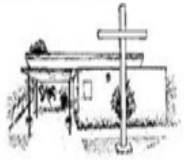
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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 4TH MAY 2025**

You can join us via this Live Stream link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport> (for Our Lady's church) or [Stockport Parishes YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...) (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')

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Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
<b>Sunday 4th May</b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	5pm	<b>St Ambrose</b>	John Byrne RIP Anniversary
		6.30pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Patrick Ryan, RIP, 1st Anniversary
		9.30 am	<b>St Vincent's</b>	Our Parish Family
		11.00am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Ann Allen, RIP, Anniversary
		2pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Igbo Mass.
<b>Monday 5th May</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	9.30am	<b>St. Ambrose</b>	For God's Will on the sanctity of life to prevail in the Assisted Dying Bill.
<b>Tuesday 6th May</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	9.30am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Valerie Foster RIP
<b>Wednesday 7th May</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	9.30am	<b>St Vincent's</b>	Patrick Ryan 1st Anniversary Mass for the Election of a Pope
<b>Thursday 8th May</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	12 Midday	<b>St Ambrose funeral</b>	Requiem Mass of Winifred Mullarkey
		7pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>	80th Ann. End of WW2 in Europe Confirmation Programme after Mass
<b>Friday 9th May</b>	<b>Ferial</b> Fasting and Abstinence.	9.30am	<b>St Vincent's</b>	For God's Will on the sanctity of life to prevail in the Assisted Dying Bill.
<b>Saturday 10th May</b>	<b>Memorial of St John de Avila, P.D.</b>	9.30am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Papal Election
		10.30am (Not Mass)	<b>(3rd Walk of witness)</b>	Holy Door, Confessions, talk, and blessing at St Joseph's.
		5pm	<b>St Ambrose</b>	Our Parish Family
		6.30pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>	For God's Will on the sanctity of life to prevail in the Assisted Dying Bill.
<b>Sunday 11th May</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS	9.30 am	<b>St Vincent's</b>	Deceased members of the Heys Family
		11.00am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	First Holy Communion Mass Mary (Maryte) Moore RIP First Holy Communion Mass

There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Holy Hour** before every weekday morning Mass from 8.30am - 9.30am and before every Sunday Mass

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

**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 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](mailto:carey.judith@yahoo.com) **OLATA Ged Murtagh** -[geraldmurtagh@outlook.com](mailto:geraldmurtagh@outlook.com) St Ambrose — Marie Byrne [ma.byrne1@ntlworld.com](mailto:ma.byrne1@ntlworld.com)



### Sick List

**IN OUR LADY'S:** Erith O'Connor, Eugene Sweetman, 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 Reade.

**IN ST. VINCENT'S PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Paul Wingate, Lorraine, John Lowe, Refugee Family, Mary O, John Severn, Grace & Norman, Derek, Ramos Family, Mary N, Lynette, Bojena & Family, Maureen, Natalie & Jasmine, Michael Morris, Andrew, Betty, Those in Nursing Homes

**IN ST. AMBROSE'S:** John McCormack, 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 Winifred Mullarkey, Brian Sage, Margorie Philbin, Maryte Moore, Carol Angley, Joseph Scott, Debbie Chambers, Johanne Mary Winter, Peter Barton, Agnes Costello, Patrick Mullin, Joanne Kiely, William Barton, Florence Donahoe, Brian Quinn, Jean Marie Peake, Brenda Bowden, Eileen Mary Brennan, Christopher O'Gara, Leslie Plover, and all the souls of our recently departed rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** The Moran Family, Martin Merriman, Patrick Sidebotham, Elizabeth Kay, James Angus Faulkner, Mary Hough, Merriman Family, Catherine (Katie) Calvert, May Jones, Frances Mildred Perkin, Ann Hewitt, Ursula McGowan, Jennifer Padden, James Cameron, Ellen Mellor, Bill Walker, Kevin Hitchen, Breda Murray

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** - Confirmation Mass - 26th June

**ADULT CONFIRMATION** - Any adults who are yet to be Confirmed are invited to enrol now for the Confirmations in June 2025. A special preparation programme, tailored to your situation, will be explored. Please contact the office or Fr Martin.

**BAPTISM CLASSES** Book early via the parish email or phone.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** are held before every morning Mass in our three parishes, except on Mondays. Please join us.

**PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL AT OUR LADY'S** - at the grotto every Saturday morning at 7:30am. Approx 75 mins, followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Mass in church. All are welcome.

**SHREWSBURY LOURDES HOSPITALITY**—Following a very positive meeting held early April, where we explored the role of the Hospitality, you are invited to continue this reflection at a further meeting. We hope to build on the previous lively discussions and consider areas for further development. The meeting will take place on Wed 21 May at 7pm at St Columba's, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA. Confirm your attendance at [secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk](mailto:secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk)

### Pilgrimage to Assisi and Loreto 2025

Cost per person £850 Sharing, £965 in a single room.

**COST INCLUDES:** 1ST—6TH SEPT 2025, Return flights Manchester Italy.

Airport duty & passenger taxes and 1 suitcase per person for the aircraft hold 20kgs.

5 nights dinner, bed & Breakfast Assisi

Coach and guide throughout.

**NOT INCLUDED**—TRAVEL INSURANCE £60 UP TO AGE 80YRS.

Email [unitedheartspilgrims@gmail.com](mailto:unitedheartspilgrims@gmail.com) for a booking form or see Lucy



**OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWS:** On Tuesday, the whole school came over to Church for our Easter Mass. Fr Martin talked to us about the importance of Jesus' Resurrection and the omnipresence of God. We have also been remembering Pope Francis in our prayers and through our RE lessons this week.

**HARRYTOWN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL** currently have job vacancies. Please visit the school website for further information – [www.harrytownschool.org](http://www.harrytownschool.org)

**ANNUAL SVP WALK** - to raise funds for the SVP children's camp in Snowdonia. An easy walk of 2, 3 or 4 miles on Sunday 22nd June 2025 at 1pm. Meet at the Coffee Shop Shrigley Rd, Highter Poynton, SK12 1TE. To register please contact John Hogan3@ntlworld.com.

**CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA** at St Teresa's Catholic Church, Wilmslow. An evening of hearing the Message of Fatima, hymns, Eucharistic Adoration and Marian Devotion and Veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco. Begins with the celebration of Holy Mass at 7pm.

**FOOTSTEPS** - The next event in the Footsteps programme of talks will be on **Thursday 15 May at 7.30pm** in the **parish centre at St Peter's, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA.** Mary Hardiman, teacher, counsellor, author, a most captivating and thought provoking speaker, will be talking about the **Jubilee Year of Hope** and in particular she'll explore what jubilee means and how we can experience the hope and freedom that God offers. An informal, café-style setting with drinks and nibbles.

**YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2025** - Taking place in the grounds of Ampleforth College from Friday 22nd - Monday 25th August, the Youth 2000 Summer Festival provides young adults (aged 16-35) from across the UK the opportunity to come together and explore faith, build relationships and find hope. This four-day festival includes great speakers, social time, break-out sessions, Daily Mass, 24/7 Adoration and much more! Register your place at: [youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025](http://youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025).

**SECOND HOLY YEAR VIDEO FROM THE CATHEDRAL** - Pope Francis called us in this Jubilee Year to celebrate the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicea which gave us the Creed we profess each Sunday. The Council met from May until July 325 AD. Bishop Mark has recorded a second, 12-minute YouTube video, for this anniversary year of the Nicene Creed, watch via this link: <https://youtu.be/f9F3IOvZuX>

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SURVIVORS OF ABUSE** - 20th May Tuesday 20th May 2025 is the Day of Prayer for Survivors of Abuse. It is an opportunity to reflect on the impact of abuse on individuals, their families and friends, and the communities of which they are part. The Prayer for 2025 can be found here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-of-prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/>

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MARK ON THE CONCLAVE** - 'the conclave to elect a new Pope will begin on Wednesday 7th May. Mass for the Election of a Pope (page 1308 in The Roman Missal) will be offered in every parish of the Diocese that same day or if this is not possible on the day before. Let us also use every opportunity to respond to request of the College of Cardinals to accompany them in prayer, especially in prayer to the Holy Spirit. If a new Pope is elected within the first few days I hope to send a Pastoral Letter for the following Sunday 11th May, the Fourth Sunday of Easter to welcome our new Holy Father.'

**MISSIO RED BOX RESULTS 2024** - The National Director of Missio has written with news that the Red Boxes from the Diocese of Shrewsbury have raised a total of £125,743.14 during 2024. It is a remarkable result due to the quiet efforts of so many.

**MARIAN DEVOTION** - Daily 7pm Rosary will be commencing for the month of May with a May procession led by the children of the 3 parishes after 6:30pm on 31 May 2025 the children will also lead the rosary on Wednesday 7th May. Please come to as many as you can or join us online for those unable to make it to church. Please let us know if your child would like to be part of the May procession to Our Lady for the crowning of Our Lady, a lovely celebration for the Children to dress up and truly be part of the service.

**3RD WALK OF WITNESS** - Mark your diary to join us for the 3rd walk of Witness on 10 May 2025 from Our Lady's to St Joseph's in Stockport after 9.30 Mass at Our Lady's. Let's Witness our faith by walking through a Holy Door together during the Pilgrimage Year of Hope 2025.

**FR MARTIN'S MEDICAL OUTREACH MISSION VIDEO** is available on the parish website or via this link - <https://vimeo.com/1058739212/1fda8b4453> **LET YOUR SHOPPING RAISE FREE DONATIONS** by signing up on <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/fr-martins-medical-outreach-mission> So far, 20 of us have raised over £250.

**MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES:** Offering a Mass is a beautiful way to pray for your loved ones. It is also a form of almsgiving in that offerings/donations for Mass intentions are part of our contribution towards supporting our priest. Envelopes are available at the back of church to make your request.

**GARDEN MASSES FOR 2025** - Would you like to host a garden Mass this year? The available weeks are in May, June, July. In August Our Lady's parish will host a BBQ for all the volunteers from our three parishes. Watch this space for details. The Garden Masses will be during the week, by 7.00pm, on one of the days that your church has a weekday Mass. Please express your interest in hosting one of these Masses by contacting the office.

**WHY GET MARRIED? RETREAT DAY** led Jane Deegan, Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Director. A Retreat Day has been organised with the title 'Why Get Married' on Saturday 28th of June 2025 at **Our Lady and the Apostles, Stockport.** The retreat is aimed at anyone wondering about the marriage vocation, including young adults who may be dating but not living together, cohabitees and those who are unmarried and seeking baptism for their child. Please contact the parish office or Jane Deegan at [Jane.Deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:Jane.Deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) to book a place.

**CARLO ACUTIS MEAL AND TALKS** - Thank you to all who attended the Carlo Acutis Meal and TED talks. We raised £403.13 for the Medical Mission. Thank you all who attended.

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** on Bank Holiday Monday 5th May.

### OUR LADY'S NEWS

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

**CARLO ACUTIS EXHIBITION**—Is now on display at all of our Parishes. Please enjoy the miracles at your leisure.

**THE PIETY STALL** - If you would like the New Sunday Missal, please order one at the piety stall. Cost is £15 for all 3 years readings A, B & C. Open after Mass on Tuesday morning, and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

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

**TEA AND COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS** - There will be no Coffee Morning after 11:00 Mass on Easter Sunday, 20th April.

### ST AMBROSE NEWS

**CARLO ACUTIS EXHIBITION**—Is now on display at all of our Parishes. Please enjoy the miracles at your leisure.

**PIETY STALL**—Thank you to everyone who supports the Piety stall. We have some lovely Holy Communion gifts, Rosary beads and children's Bibles available at the back of church and we also have Easter cards in stock. If you would like the New Sunday Missal please put a request in the cost is £15 and covers all year A, B & C which is effective £5 per year for all the readings.

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

### ST VINCENT'S NEWS

Please could you leave the first 4 central seats free for the children who are making their First Holy Communion **next week Sunday 11th May** and keep the children and their families in your prayers.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO BRING YOUR FOOD DONATIONS** for Chelwood Foodbank and the Wellspring. Leave them in the container in the porch.

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**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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