



**OUR LADY AND ST. CHRISTOPHER'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Serving Romiley, Bredbury, and Woodley

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**SUNDAY 12th JUNE 2022
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL

Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity in which we profess our faith in God who reveals himself to us as Father, Son & Holy Spirit and who calls us to live with him in a relationship of love. May we grow more and more in God's love and seek to share it with others.

As you know, we are looking forward to welcoming our second refugee family and resettling them in our community. Despite confirming the family's arrival in mid-July the Home Office has now said it will be delayed in order to update paperwork / passports and new flights will then need to be booked. Thank you for the all the generous donations of items to help furnish the house for them.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS: *Sunday 12th June 2022 – Sunday 19th June 2022*

Sunday	Evening Mass of following Sunday (Saturday) THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	June Buckley RIP John Lennon RIP People of the Parish
Monday	St Anthony of Padua, P, D	9.30am	David Marshall RIP
Tuesday	Ferial	7.30pm	Moire Phelan RIP
Wednesday	Ferial	9.30am	Geoff Hooley RIP
Thursday	Ferial Requiem Mass	9.15am	Sonia Faure RIP
Friday	Ferial Nuptial Mass	8.15am	<i>Harrytown Catholic HS Mass</i>
		9.30am 12.45pm	Tom Wallis RIP Julio Maya & Charlotte Inman
Saturday	St Barnabas, Ap, M	9.30am	Bernadette McCarthy RIP
	Evening Mass of following Solemnity (Saturday)	6.00pm	Michael & Noreen Philpott RIP
Sunday	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	9.00am	Jack Dobson RIP
		11.00am	People of the Parish

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Christine Beswick, Hillary Rustage, Kieran O'Brien, Lionel & Jenny Rawlings, Matthew Norman, Jadar Jones, Michael Christie, Wilfred Hartley, Mandy Keane, Joyce Osbourne, Michael O'Sullivan, Bob Parker, Katelyn Reilly, Margaret Smith, Amy Harris, Elizabeth Brown, Bridget Robertson, Valerie Gahan, Marina Hernandez, Joshua Goddard, Eamon Curran, Pat Duggan, Ruth Grace Crosby, Howard Moore, Eileen Bush, Pat Stewart, Sheila Murphy, Kath Longden, Michael Sainsbury, Kathleen Zwierink, Moira McNeill, John Bardsley, Isaac Saed Iqbal, Simon Wright, Margaret Schofield, Margaret Wooliscroft, Winifred Corrigan, Mark Sorrell, Rory Ireland, Samuel Minnis, Brian Murphy, Helen Bridge. We commend them to the prayers of Our Lady & St Christopher.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Sheila Greener who died recently. May she rest in peace. Please also pray for her family at this time.

ANNIVERSARIES Please remember to pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bert Handel, Vincent Connolly, Joseph Moores, Grace Killeen, Bernard Murray, Moire Phelan, Zbigniew Szpakowski, Graeme Souter, Trevor Hewett, Joan Cunningham.

PARISH LIVE STREAM Please go to www.churchservices.tv/romiley

SUNDAY READINGS for Trinity Sunday: Proverbs 8: 22-31, Romans 5: 1-5, John 16: 12-15.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 5.15pm – 5.45pm, Sunday 10.20am – 10.45am. Please allow one minute after the previous penitent has left before entering the confessional.

PLEASE NOTE the change to Mass times on Thursday and Friday this week. Mass on Thursday is at **9.15am** and is Requiem Mass for Sonia Faure RIP. Mass on Friday is at **9.30am** due to a Nuptial Mass at 12.45pm.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP The next meeting will be in the St Christopher Centre on Thursday 16 June from 1.00pm until 2.30pm. The group is for anyone who has suffered a bereavement and is an opportunity to share your feelings however if you don't want to chat you are welcome to come along just for the tea and coffee! This is not a counselling service but is a space to get support from others who have experienced bereavement. For more information please contact Susan Carr on 07543 408551.

MISSIO Promoters will soon deliver the Summer Impact Report and collect from the Red Boxes. I will attend Masses on 26th June to collect monies donated. Please contact me with any queries. Many thanks. Kathleen Walker 0161 317 7785.

TREASURE HUNT Many thanks to everyone who bought the Romiley and Woodley Treasure Hunt sheets. £140 was raised in total. 6 Woodley hunts were completed, and the winners are The Pollard-Vearnals. 14 completed Romiley sheets were completed and the winners are the Moore family. Prizes are on their way to these families. Correct answers are on the notice board at the back of church.

THANK YOU to all who helped to make the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration in the Parish Centre last Sunday such a lovely event. A great team effort and the Centre looked beautiful. Thank you again.

DAY OF REFLECTION – ST CHRISTOPHER CENTRE On Saturday 25th June there will be a day of reflection on the progress being made with preparations for the International Synod of Bishops in 2023. The day will begin with Mass at 10.00am, followed by the opportunity to consider in more detail the Diocesan Synodal Report and the letter from Bishop Mark on his discernment thus far. Following the recommendation of the Bishop there will also be an opportunity to review the contribution of the Vatican II Constitution 'Lumen Gentium' to our understanding of the Church. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be provided.

The day will finish at 3.00pm. I hope that this will be of interest to parishioners and will help to inform the way ahead for us as a parish in responding to the Synod.

HELP NEEDED!! Parishioners are running an event called “Experience Church” for the children of St Christopher’s, which will take place over two days on Tuesday June 14th and Wednesday June 15th. The children come over from school a class at a time and circulate in small groups of round five activity stations – all to do with an aspect of church. Seven groups will be coming over and we would love for as many parishioners as possible to be involved! There are a lot of different tasks – e.g. helping the children with activities on those two days, or helping in the coming weeks to prepare the activity materials (lots of cutting out!!) If you would like to be involved please contact Mary Hostler at maryhostler@hotmail.co.uk or ring 0161 430 3943. Thank you!

CONTACTLESS GIVING IN THE PARISH A new **Digital Collection Plate** contactless terminal has been installed near the church entrance for those who would like to make their weekly offering in this way. If you wish to use this method, simply choose the amount and tap the reader with your card or insert it if instructed to do so.

PARISH QUIZ – 17th JUNE There are a few tickets remaining for our popular fundraising event. These will be on sale after Mass this weekend. Prize donations for the raffle would be most appreciated. Thank you for your support.

EVERGREENS - Wednesdays in the St Christopher Centre from 1.30pm - 3.30pm:

15th June Summer Flowers with Anne from Pick-a-Lily

22nd June Two quizzes - one General and one about Ukraine

29th June Lesley Walker returns to entertain us with her poetry

ONLINE GIVING TO THE PARISH For those Parishioners who normally give in the collection (Planned Giving envelopes & cash) at Mass and wish to help the Parish at this time, an online donation page to allow you to donate to the Parish has been added to the Parish website. Please go to: www.ourladyandstchristophersromiley.org.uk to see the link.

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday’s collection £585.21, CAFOD £48, White envelopes £205, Fr Michael’s sponsored walk additional £200 including £110 raised in sponsorship by Breege Lynch = £1390 to date. Thank you for your generosity.

WHITE ENVELOPES Please collect your new box from the table at the back of church.

FOOD BANK Thank you for your continued generous donations to the foodbank. Five crates and six large carrier bags of groceries and toiletries plus cash donations amounting to £85 (£40, £20, £20, £5) were delivered to St Mark’s last Tuesday. **Currently there are shortages of toothpaste, bars of soap & dried spaghetti which would be welcomed. Thank you.**

The church will be open today, Sunday and on Monday between 2.00pm – 4.00pm for your donations. Cash donations marked “Food Bank” may be posted through the presbytery letterbox.

TIMOTHY CHO, NORTH KOREAN ESCAPEE On Friday July 1st at 8pm following Adoration, Timothy Cho will be speaking at **St Peter’s Church in Hazel Grove.**

Timothy Cho was born in North Korea, escaped twice, and imprisoned four times during his persevering journey to find the democratic life he cherishes today. Since arriving in the UK he has achieved a BA degree in International Relations & Politics at the University of Salford and an MA in International Relations & Security at the University of Liverpool. He joined Fiona Bruce MP (Prime Minister’s special envoy for freedom of religion) as an aide in 2018-19. He currently works as an Inquiry Clerk to the UK All-Party

Parliamentary Group on North Korea. He has stood as a local election candidate in the last two elections. **Looking back, Timothy says: "It's been a very long journey I have come from where I was born in totalitarian North Korea and my experience of living there was that I didn't know who I was, what choice I had, what I loved and what my dream was. But God has never left me alone. I still remember the moment of my first prayer to God in Shanghai prison cell. It was a very dark, scary, terrifying and hopeless prison cell I realised I couldn't achieve freedom by myself. Kneeling to God for my survival and freedom was my last hope. Suffering doesn't destroy our faith but refines it. God is worth trusting and we never say it's impossible - because God makes all things possible!**

St Peter's praise and worship band will lead us in song and we expect to finish at 9.30pm for refreshments in the meeting room. All are very welcome.

MARRIAGE CARE If you are going through difficulties in your relationship, Stockport Marriage Care can offer a confidential counselling service. Marriage Care is still here for you and is at the end of the phone if you need help. You can contact them on 0800 3893801.

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