



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

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### SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022 PENTECOST SUNDAY DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

**MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL** The season of Eastertide ends today with the solemn feast of Pentecost recalling the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. This major event began the Church's missionary activity - the proclamation of the Good News of God's saving love throughout the world. At our Baptism we received the Holy Spirit making us the children of God called to share in Christ's work and enabling us to witness to him in our daily lives.

I hope you are enjoying the Bank Holiday weekend marking the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen. As you know, we have our own celebration in the parish centre after the 11 o'clock Mass today which you are welcome to attend.

#### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS: *Sunday 5th June 2022 – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022*

Sunday	Evening Mass of following Sunday (Saturday) <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	Teresa Palmer RIP Kathleen Foley RIP People of the Parish
Monday	<b>Mary, Mother of the Church</b>	9.30am	Gerda Carroll RIP
Tuesday	Ferial	7.30pm	Tony McCluskey RIP
Wednesday	Ferial	9.30am	Mary Carroll RIP
Thursday	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest Requiem Mass</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Mary O'Donnell RIP
Friday	Ferial	12.00pm	Ann Standing RIP
Saturday	<b>St Barnabas, Ap, M</b> Evening Mass of following Sunday (Saturday)	9.30am 6.00pm	For Improved Health June Buckley RIP
Sunday	<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	9.00am 11.00am	John Lennon RIP 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 souls of Sonia Faure and Joan Donald who died recently. May they rest in peace. Please also pray for their families at this time.

**ANNIVERSARIES** Please remember to pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anthony Castle, Charles Fitzpatrick, Shelagh Hadfield, Joseph McCluskey, Elizabeth Crompton, Miguel Pavon, Brian Hart, James Cannon, William Dugdale, Barbara Law, George Collinge, Vincent Cook, Amy O'Donnell, Gertrude Cunningham.

**PLEASE NOTE** that Mass on Thursday is at 10.00am – a Requiem Mass for Mary O'Donnell RIP.

**WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH** Freddie Ellis Moseley who was baptised recently.

**PARISH LIVE STREAM** Please go to [www.churchservices.tv/romiley](http://www.churchservices.tv/romiley)

**SUNDAY READINGS** for Pentecost Sunday: Acts 2: 1-11, 1 Corinthians 12; 3-7, 12-13, John 20: 19-23.

**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.

**LADIES GUILD** meeting in the St Christopher Centre on Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

**200 CLUB WINNERS** Christine Fox, Mary Whiting, Kathleen Walker. Please collect your winnings from the small sacristy. Thank you.

**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 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:maryhostler@hotmail.co.uk) or ring 0161 430 3943. Thank you!

**THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June from 12 noon. All are welcome to come and celebrate this occasion in the St Christopher Centre.....drinks, strawberries, gateaux, etc.

**THE BISHOPS' CONFERENCE** has established that, at all Sunday Masses on 4–5 June 2022, each parish prays for Her Majesty the Queen to mark her Platinum Jubilee by including an intention in the Prayer of the Faithful and by reciting at the end of Mass (after the Prayer after Communion and before the Final Blessing) the Prayer for the Queen.

#### **PRAYER FOR THE QUEEN**

**V/** O Lord, save Elizabeth, our Queen

**R/** And hear us on the day we call upon you

**V/** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**R/** And let my cry come before you.

**V/** The Lord be with you.

**R/** And with your spirit.

Almighty God, we pray,  
that your servant Elizabeth, our Queen,  
who, by your providence has received the governance of this realm,  
may continue to grow in every virtue,  
that, imbued with your heavenly grace,  
she may be preserved from all that is harmful  
and evil and, being blessed with your favour  
may, with the royal family,  
come at last into your presence,  
through Christ, who is the way, the truth  
and the life and who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**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.

**FAMILY TREASURE HUNT WITH PRIZES!!** Two described routes, with clues are on sale after the Masses this weekend. These can be done as a family, on your own or in groups and are about 2 miles long around Woodley and Romiley. They can be done at any time before the closing date of Monday June 6th. There is a minimum donation of £1 per sheet...if you can provide the correct change this would be very welcome. Sheets will also be available through school. in the event of more than one correct sheet for each hunt, a draw will take place.

**PARISH QUIZ – 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE** Tickets for the fundraising Parish Quiz are on sale after the weekend Masses. Tickets are £10 each to include interval sandwiches, snacks, tea & coffee and team prizes. There will also be a raffle on the night and an opportunity to play “Higher or Lower” for a cash prize. Thank you for your support.

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

**8th June** Film - Part 1 about Belle Vue

**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](http://www.ourladyandstchristophersromiley.org.uk) to see the link.

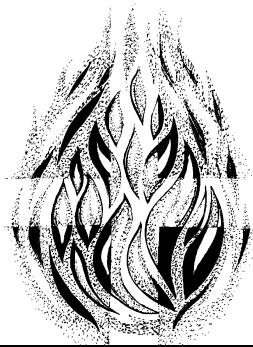
**PARISH FINANCE** Last Sunday's collection £506.50, CAFOD £18.00, Fr Michael's sponsored walk additional £90 = £1190 to date. Thank you for your generosity.

**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 £210 (£40, £40, £40, £30, £20, £20, £10, £10) were delivered to St Mark's last Tuesday. **Currently there are shortages of longlife milk, tinned tomatoes and toilet rolls 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.

**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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