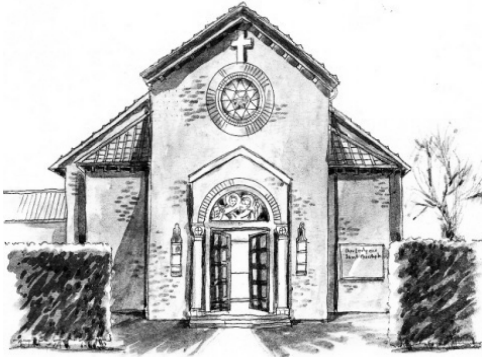


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**SUNDAY 26th MAY 2024
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL:

Today is Trinity Sunday when we celebrate our faith in God who has revealed himself as a Trinity of Persons – Father, Son & Holy Spirit. The mystery of the Trinity is the central mystery of Christians faith and life. It is the mystery of God in Himself. We cannot understand this mystery by reason, but we accept it because it has been revealed by God Himself. It is wonderful to think that we share in the life of the Blessed Trinity which we reflect most fully when we live in love thus sharing in the eternal love between all three Persons of the Trinity. Let us be reminded of this today and recall that when we were baptised it was in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Sunday 26th May – Sunday 2nd June 2024

Sunday	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (Saturday)	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Alfred & Gladys Murphy Moira & Wilf Duddy RIP
Monday	Ferial	10.00am	Sylvia Donovan RIP
Tuesday	Ferial	7.30pm	Margaret Barber
Wednesday	Ferial	9.30am	Winifred Kendrick RIP
Thursday	Ferial	9.30am	Desmond O'Connor RIP
Friday	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Funeral service	8.15am 10.00am 12.00pm	In Harrytown Catholic HS Catherine Potterton RIP Adele McCluskey RIP
Saturday	St Justin, M Evening Mass of following Solemnity (Saturday)	9.30am 6.00pm	Sick & Housebound Parishioners Michael/ Noreen Philpott RIP
Sunday	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Nathalie Whitehead RIP

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Christine Beswick, Kieran O'Brien, Lionel & Jenny Rawlings, Jaar Jones, Michael Christie, Mandy Keane, Joyce Osbourne, Michael O'Sullivan, Katelyn Reilly, Amy Harris, Elizabeth Brown, Bridget Robertson, Valerie, Gahan, Marina Hernandez, Eamon Curran, Howard Moore, Pat Stewart, Sheila Murphy, Michael Sainsbury, Moira McNeill, John Bardsley, Isaac Saed Iqbal, Simon Wright, Margaret Colicroot, Rory Ireland, Helen Bridge, Patricia Godfrey, Karl Wood, Kevin Bradley, Mary Sainsbury, Rita Stevens, Margaret Maycock, Sr Margaret Mary Foley, Graham Seymour, Carol Seymour, Peter Taylor, James Smart, Nathalie Whitehead, Florrie Robison, Margaret Wooliscroft, Tony McKenna, Joan Marshall. We commend them to the prayers of Our Lady & St Christopher.

ANNIVERSARIES Margaret Tatton, Dorothy Maher, Michael Kavanagh, Lydia Bates, Sonia Faure, Samuel Bradley, Mary Murphy, Colin Stewart, Michael Martin, Mary Waddington, Trevor Baldwin, Margaret Chadwick, Harry Hudson, Catherine Swarbrick, Elizabeth Brierley, Enoch Bradley, Lorraine Gordon.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for Cecilia Theresa Lyne and Rita Taylor who died recently. May they rest in peace. Please also pray for their families at this time.

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

PLEASE NOTE that Mass tomorrow – Bank Holiday Monday - is at 10.00am. No public Adoration or Morning prayer before Mass.

CONTACTLESS TERMINAL The terminal at the back of church can be used for credit and debit card donations to the parish. Thank you.

SUNDAY READINGS for Trinity Sunday : Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Romans 8:14-17; Matthew 28:16-20.
Mass Preface: The Holy Trinity, page 52; **Eucharistic Prayer:** 3, page 27.

MRS PATRICIA (PAT) STEWART RIP Pat's funeral service will take place in the Cypress Chapel at Stockport Crematorium on Monday 10th June at 1.30pm. Her family welcome parishioners to attend the service and to join them at the Alma Lodge Hotel afterwards where refreshments will be served.

THE LADIES' GUILD "NIGHT OUT" is on Thursday May 30th at Joshua Bradley. We are meeting at 6.45pm prompt. Meal booked for 7pm.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE Parishioners who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year and would like to attend the annual Marriage Mass on Saturday June 8th at Saint Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester, CH2 1SA at 12 noon, should let Fr Michael have their names and contact details as soon as possible so they can receive a personal invitation to attend from the Bishop. Thank you.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' rotas for the 11 am Mass are now available to collect. Please collect the latest rota from the paper rack in the small sacristy. Thank you.

CALLING ALL FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN Would you like to assist at Mass as an altar server? It is a very special role. You will be given training on how to serve. Don't be shy! Parents do please encourage your child to get involved in this way. If interested, please speak to one of the priests or ask for Martin Coyle.

CARITAS CHILDREN'S BOXES – notice of change With support from Caritas we have decided to collect/count the little boxes **ONCE** per year instead of twice. The one collection will be in September. As before, there will be a large box at the back of church for those box holders who are able to bring their box to church. Otherwise, your Collector will pick them up.

There will be a reminder re this collection later in the Summer. Many thanks, Karin, Josie, Julie and Christine.

EVERGREEN GROUP - Wednesdays 1.30pm – 3.30pm

29th May Film - The Best of Les Dawson

VISIT OF FATIMA RELICS On Saturday 15th June, from 10.00am-4pm, the World Apostolate of Fatima will visit our parish with the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco and the Centenary Pilgrim Statute of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The statue was blessed at the Chapel of the Apparitions in Fatima. Pope St John Paul II invited us to receive the light of Fatima. The Fatima message of reparation, repentance and peace is still relevant to us today. **Please see poster in porch.**

10.00am Welcome in church

10.15-10.30 Procession

10.30-11.30 Mass with crowning of statue and veneration of relics

11.30-12 Rosary for world peace

12.10-1pm Fatima film in hall

1-2 pm Packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided in hall.

2- 2.30 pm Fatima talk in hall.

2.40-2.55pm Investiture of Brown Scapular in church for those who wish to receive it.

3- 3.50pm Divine Mercy chaplet, Exposition, confessions

3.50-4pm Benediction and close.

STAMPS FOR THE RNIB There is a box in the church porch for used stamps for the RNIB. Any used stamps you can donate to support the work of the RNIB (Royal National Institute of the Blind) will be gratefully received and appreciated. Thank you.

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday's collection £699.11, CAFOD £25.00. Thank you for your generosity.

SHREWSBURY DIOCESAN MASS FOR MISSIO Saturday 1st June 2024 at 11.00am at St Michael & All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Wirral, CH49 5LE. Refreshments afterwards. To assist with planning please RSVP by 24th May: redbox@missio.org.uk or tel. 07593 544625.

INTERNATIONAL GRANDPARENTS' FAITH CAFÉ via Zoom Reflections, prayer, etc. Come and nourish and share your faith – to help pass it on. Meetings on 2nd Tuesday of each month. Please see: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org Poster in porch.

SVP and CAFOD working together in the run up to the General Election

As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter or svp.org.uk/encounter for more information.

FOOD BANK 3 green crates of various groceries, 3 full carrier bags of tins of vegetables, litre bottles of juice etc. plus cash donations amounting to £190 (£120, £30, £20, £10, £10) were delivered to St Mark's last Tuesday. Your generosity is much appreciated. The church is open on Sunday & Monday from 2.00pm – 4.00pm for donations. Cash donations marked "Food Bank" may be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **Donations of Individually wrapped chocolate biscuits as treats and packets of noodles would be welcomed. Thank you.**

FOOTSTEPS – new shoes! The next event in the Footsteps programme of inspiring talks will be on **Thursday 13 June at 7.30pm in the parish centre of St Peter's, 16 Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA** when we'll welcome a new face. **Archie Cameron** is coming from Southport to give us, he says, an evening to help us to enjoy the wonderful gift of life! His talk is titled "**Living in joyful hope**" and it will be an opportunity to be open to believe the things that Jesus believed about God, about Himself and about each other. Archie currently produces a free weekly podcast series which is received in over 3,500 cities in 115 countries. So, this is our opportunity to come and hear him live and in person! We offer an informal café-style setting with a large, free car park, a loop system, good disabled access and a warm welcome.

JOB VACANCY The governors of St Ambrose Catholic Primary School, Adswold, wish to appoint a strong candidate to join our team of teaching assistants. This role is varied, and we are looking for an enthusiastic, dedicated and adaptable individual who is passionate about making a difference to the children they work with. Please visit the school website for more details <https://www.st-ambrose.stockport.sch.uk/recruitment>

MARRIAGE CARE If you are going through difficulties in your relationship, Stockport Marriage Care can offer a confidential counselling service. You can contact them on 0800 3893801 or search www.marriagecare.org.uk



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