



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

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**SUNDAY 4th AUGUST 2024
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL

On Thursday we celebrate the feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross who is one of the patron saints of Europe. She died in Auschwitz Concentration Camp in 1942. Born Edith Stein into a Jewish family, she became a Doctor of Philosophy and then became a Catholic in 1922. She entered the Carmelite order and during the Jewish persecution she transferred from Cologne Carmel in Germany to Echt in Holland in order to protect nuns in her monastery. However, when the Nazis invaded Holland, she was arrested, taken to Auschwitz and gassed in 1942. May her heroic example and courage inspire us in our living of the faith we profess and let us pray for Europe and indeed for our world so divided as it is at this time.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Sunday 4th August – Sunday 11th August 2024

Sunday	18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Saturday)	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	Martin Leach RIP People of the Parish Lloyd Samuels RIP
Monday	Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major	9.30am	Special Intention
Tuesday	The Transfiguration of the Lord	7.30pm	David Roche RIP
Wednesday	Ferial	9.30am	Pat Stewart RIP
Thursday	St Dominic, P	9.30am	Jean Grieves RIP
Friday	St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, V, M Patron of Europe	12.00pm	Ron Evans RIP
Saturday	St Lawrence, Dc, M Evening Mass of following Sunday (Saturday)	9.30am 6.00pm	Holy Souls Tony McKenna RIP
Sunday	19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00am 11.00am	Mary Maryati RIP People of the Parish

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

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,, 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, Carol Seymour, Peter Taylor, James Smart, Nathalie Whitehead, Florrie Robison, Margaret Wooliscroft, Joan Marshall, Glenis Keenan. We commend them to the prayers of Our Lady & St Christopher.

ANNIVERSARIES Catherine Brennan, Marie Rochford, Denis Butler, Stanislaus Hearne, Edward Dalton, Charles Powell, Edward Pope, Margaret Regan, Gladys Spencer, Kenneth McMurdo, John O'Driscoll, Harold Hill, Mary Ardern, Marie McConville.

WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH Nirvana-Sarae Susannah Carroll who was baptised recently.

SUNDAY READINGS for the 18th Sunday B: Exodus 16:2-4,12-15; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35. **Mass Preface:** Sunday 1, page 54; **Eucharistic Prayer:** 2, page 24.

200 CLUB WINNERS FOR JULY Kathleen Walker, Owen McNeill, D & M McPherson, Daniel Jackson. Please collect winnings from the small sacristy. Thank you.

THE WELLSRING SLEEPOUT, SATURDAY 12th OCTOBER The Sleepout offers an opportunity for us to consider some small elements of how difficult it is to be homeless and sleep on the streets. Further details including registration (essential) at www.thewellspring.co.uk

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday's collection £745.75, CAFOD £55.00. Thank you for your generosity.

FOOD BANK Three green crates of general groceries, & 2X6 packs of milk plus cash donations amounting to £250 (£120, £40, £30, £20, £20, £10, £10) were delivered to St Mark's last week. 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 tinned tomatoes, tinned meats and toilet rolls would be welcomed. Thank you.**

STAMPS FOR THE RNIB There is a box in the church porch for used stamps for the RNIB.

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

THE ST CHRISTOPHER CENTRE Booking enquiries please to Ruth Craven: Tel 07423 682266 or email ruthcraven@hotmail.co.uk

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