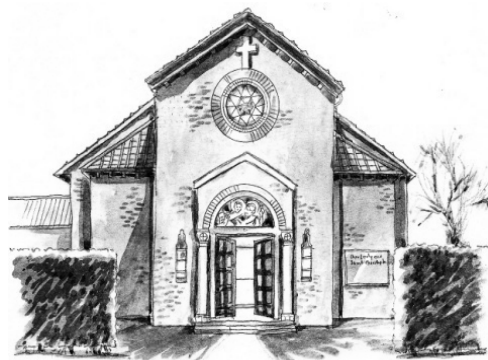


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SUNDAY 15th JUNE 2025 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR LIFE

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 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 remind ourselves 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 15th June 2025 – Sunday 22nd June 2025

Sunday	Evening Mass of the following Sunday (Saturday) TRINITY SUNDAY	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	Jack Dobson RIP People of the Parish Vera Espley RIP
Monday	Ferial Adoration & Morning Prayer	8.30am 9.30am	Ints. of John & Tom
Tuesday	Ferial Requiem Mass Adoration	11.00am 6.30pm 7.30pm	Florence (Flo) Robison RIP Timothy Ganley RIP
Wednesday	Ferial Adoration & Morning Prayer	8.30am 9.30am	Clare Hoare RIP
Thursday	Ferial Going Forth Mass	9.30am	Dorothy Atherton RIP
Friday	St Alban, M	8.15am 12.00pm	Mass in Harrytown Catholic HS Derek Singleton RIP
Saturday	St Aloysius Gonzaga, R Evening Mass of following Sunday (Saturday)	9.30am 6.00pm	SSCF Ann Standing RIP
Sunday	THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish William & Catherine Metcalfe RIP

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

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: 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, Kevin Bradley, Mary Sainsbury, Rita Stevens, Margaret Maycock, Sr Margaret Mary Foley, James Smart, Nathalie Whitehead, Margaret Wooliscroft, Joan Marshall, Glenis Keenan, Michael Walsh, Kathleen Holland, Carole Roe, Kath Bradley, Evleyn Richardson, Grace Watts, John Woodrow. We commend them to the prayers of Our Lady & St Christopher.

ANNIVERSARIES Zbigniew Szpakowski, Graeme Souter, Trevor Hewlett, Joan Cunningham, Joseph Slate, Martin Loftus, Sr Mary Frances, Sheila Carroll, Mary Birch, Garry Loebell, Jayne Bruce, Patrick Nawn, Mary Macfarlane, Anthony Wardle, Patrick Lyons, Mary Birch.

WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH George Harvey Hugh Steven Brown & Aria Anne Kathleen Swain who were baptised recently.

Sunday Readings Trinity Sunday C: Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15. **Preface:** of the Most Holy Trinity, page 64; **Eucharistic Prayer:** 3, page 27.

WE WELCOME THE CHILDREN AND STAFF FROM ST CHRISTOPHER'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL to the Going Forth Mass in church on Thursday at 9.30am.

BOTTLE RAFFLE FOR DEFIBRILLATOR The Final amount raised on the bottle raffle last Sunday came to £290.51. We have now raised £682.51 towards the defibrillator so far. Thank you for your support.

200 CLUB FOR MARY'S MEALS If you would like to join in with the 200 club this year, please could you complete a form from the back of church along with £10 for the remaining 10 months, returning the form and money before Tuesday 24th June. The next draw will take place on Saturday 28th June.

ROTAS FOR READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS are available from the rack in the small Sacristy. Please collect one after Mass. Thank you.

THE REQUIEM MASS for Dorothy Atherton will be celebrated on **Monday 23rd June at 10.45am** and the Requiem Mass for Helen Ibbotson will be celebrated on **Thursday 26th June at 12.30pm**. May they rest in peace.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP The next meeting will take place on Thursday 19 June from 10:00 am until 11.30 am in the St Christopher Centre. The group is for anyone who has experienced 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.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION Parishioners are welcome to celebrate Fr Michael's 70th Birthday in the St Christopher Centre following the 11.00 o'clock Mass today. He doesn't wish to receive gifts or presents of any kind; however, donations may be made to two nominated charities: the Wellspring Centre in Stockport, a local charity which supports the homeless and Mary's Meals which serves nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal attracts these hungry children into the classroom, giving them the energy to learn and hope for a better future. People wishing to support the work of the two charities can make cash donations or use the contactless card machine at the back of church.

REV DEACON ADAM BAMBER'S ordination as a priest will take place on **Saturday, 5th July, at 12:00 pm at Shrewsbury Cathedral**. Due to the high number of parishioners wishing to attend the Ordination Mass,

two coaches have now been booked with over 80 reservations received so far. Additionally, some parishioners plan to travel by car to Shrewsbury for this joyful occasion.

The cost of the coaches has been subsidised, making it £10 for adults and £5 for children under 12. The departure time for Shrewsbury is 9:00 am, with the return journey scheduled between 4:00 pm and 5:00 pm. **The coach travel to Shrewsbury details will be given next week.**

The Ordination Mass will also be live streamed from the cathedral. Please go to:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral/embed>

MISSIO BOX HOLDERS Please note that you can collect the Missio Summer magazine at the back of church. Thank you.

TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (END OF LIFE BILL) Thank you to the 128 parishioners who signed the petition at last weekend's Masses opposing this Bill. The petition was delivered to the constituency office of Lisa Smart MP on Tuesday. The Third Reading and the crucial final vote on the Bill will take place in the House of Commons next Friday 20th June. Please pray especially during this week that the Bill will be defeated so the weak and vulnerable will be protected from the threat of assisted suicide.

DEFIBRILLATOR FUNDRAISING As part of the ongoing fundraising there will be a sale of Handmade Cards after the Masses on the weekend of 21st/22nd June.

LOURDES BY JUMBULANCE Chester Across Group are going to Lourdes on 14th to 23rd August. There are vacancies for sick and disabled pilgrims and for nurses and helpers. For more information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 or tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk

EVERGREEN GROUP – WEDNESDAYS FROM 1.30pm – 3.30pm

18th June Celebration of Sheila's 90th

25th June Musical afternoon with Claire Sweeney

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday's collection: £510.83. CAFOD: £20.00. Faster payments and standing orders for May £2,934.00. Contactless card donations for May £563.75. Thank you for your great generosity.

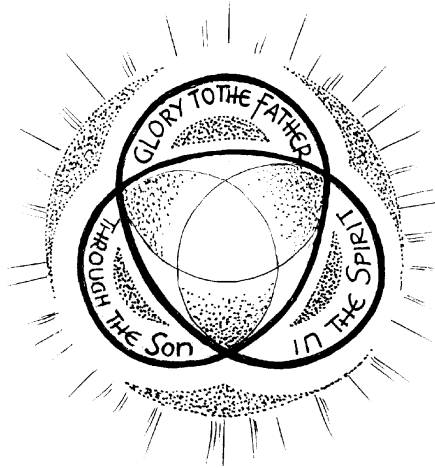
FOOD BANK DONATIONS There were 3 trays and 3 carrier bags of donations for the food bank last week, along with cash donations totalling £290 (£120, £100, £30, £20, £10, £10). Your generosity is much appreciated. The church is open on Sunday and Monday from 2.00pm – 4.00pm for donations. Cash donations marked "Food Bank" may be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **Donations of packets of spaghetti and tinned Hot Dogs are requested. These, apparently, are very popular with children! Thank you.**

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

FOOTSTEPS ON 19 JUNE We have the significant pleasure of welcoming again **Fr Eamonn Mulcahy CSSp** on **Thursday 19 June at 7.30pm** in the **parish centre of St Peter's, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA**. Always a popular and inspiring speaker, Fr Eamonn has suggested he'll share his thoughts on "**Jesus in the Creed**". This year is the 1,700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea and its Creed that we all use in our various Christian denominations. Come and hear him tell the fascinating and intriguing story of what really went on in what was the first ever Ecumenical Council in the history of the church. In his own inimitable style, he will unpack the significance of what the Creed has to say about Jesus and its relevance for us today. Fr Eamonn is a Spiritan missionary priest from Manchester who moved last year from his parish in Ancoats to a new mission in Stoke on Trent. He travels the world leading retreats, giving inspirational talks and sharing his great humour and we're delighted that Hazel Grove is in his itinerary again. Do come and join us for a relaxed and informal evening in our popular café-style setting - we'd love to welcome you.

RETROUVAILLE MARRIAGE MINISTRY Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track. Call to find out more: www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443 Retrouvaille is a marriage ministry, run by Catholics, to support marriages in trouble.

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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