

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



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**SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2026  
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

**MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL**

Today is Trinity Sunday, when we celebrate our faith in God, revealed as three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The mystery of the Trinity lies at the heart of Christian faith and life. It is a joy to remember that we share in the life of the Blessed Trinity, and we reflect that life most fully when we live in love, sharing in the eternal love of the three divine Persons. Let us reflect on this today and remember that at our baptism we were baptised in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026 – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Sunday	Evening Mass of following Solemnity (Saturday) <b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	<b>6.00pm</b> <b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	Madeleine Doohan RIP Stella Walker RIP People of the Parish
Monday	<b>St Justin, M</b> Adoration & Morning Prayer	8.30am 9.30am	Mary Whiting RIP
Tuesday	<b>Ferial - Adoration</b>	6.30pm 7.30pm	Welfare of Bridie & Michael Jordan
Wednesday	<b>St Charles Lwanga &amp; Companions, Mm</b> Adoration & Morning Prayer  <b>Funeral Service</b>	8.30am 9.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Angela McLoughlin RIP Athanasios (Archie) Nicolaidis RIP
Thursday	Ferial	9.30am	Tony Moody RIP
Friday	<b>St Boniface, M</b>	8.15am 12.00pm	Mass in Harrytown Catholic HS Ciara & Aiveen Chamberlain RIP
Saturday	The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday Evening Mass of following Solemnity (Saturday)	9.30am <b>6.00pm</b>	SSCF People of the Parish
Sunday	<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	Mary Morris 90 <sup>th</sup> B/day Mass Natalie Whitehead RIP

PARISH LIVE STREAM Please go to [www.churchservices.tv/romiley](http://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, Mary Sainsbury, Rita Stevens, Margaret Maycock, Sr Margaret Mary Foley, James Smart, Margaret Wooliscroft, Joan Marshall, Glenis Keenan, Kath Bradley, Evleyn Richardson, Beryl Edwards, David Robison, Frank Rose, Bridie Jordan, Michael Jordan. We commend them to the prayers of Our Lady & St Christopher.

**ANNIVERSARIES** Mary Hudson, Catherine Swarbrick, Elizabeth Brierley, Enoch Bradley, Lorraine Gordon, Michael Storan, Mary Gault, Charles McKeown, Margaret Mitchell, Patricia Jones, Sheila Greener, Anthony Moody, Anthony Castle, Charles Fitzpatrick, Shelagh Hadfield, Joseph McCluskey, Elizabeth Crompton, Miguel Montes Pavon.

**RECENTLY DECEASED** Please pray for Keith Roach who died recently. May he rest in peace. Please also pray for his family at this time.

**FORTHCOMING FUNERALS** Funeral service for Athanasios (Archie) Nicolaidis on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 11.00am. Funeral service for Keith Roach on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 12.15pm. Requiem Mass for Mary Whiting on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon. May they rest in peace.

**DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE (CONTACTLESS)** This is situated at the back of the church for parishioners who wish to use this method for their regular Offertory donations.

**SUNDAY READINGS** for the Most Holy Trinity A: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-14; John 3:16-18.  
**Preface:** The Mystery of the Trinity, page 64. **Eucharistic Prayer:** 2, page 24.

**PLEASE NOTE:** No refreshments will be available in the Parish Centre on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May because of a private booking.

**NEW DIOCESAN WEBSITE** To mark our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary a new website has been launched for the Diocese of Shrewsbury. The renewed website is not merely a platform for information but offers a window on the life and witness of our Shrewsbury Diocese. The website can be accessed by clicking on: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/>

**ENCYCLICAL BY POPE LEO XIV on Artificial Intelligence - AI** The Encyclical is available to view/ download on the parish website. It provides authoritative Church teaching on artificial intelligence.

**DEACON KEVIN HOGAN'S** ordination as a priest will take place on **Saturday, 4th July, at 12:00 pm at Shrewsbury Cathedral.** A coach has been booked to take parishioners to the Ordination Mass. The cost of the coach has been subsidised, making it £10 for adults and £5 for children under 12. The departure time for Shrewsbury is 9:00am, with the return journey scheduled at 4.00pm. **If you plan to travel by coach, please collect a yellow information sheet from the table at the back of church, fill in the slip at the bottom, and return the completed form with your payment in the brown envelope provided, to the presbytery or parish office as soon as possible.**

Following the Ordination Mass refreshments will be served in the Orchard Café beside the cathedral. The Ordination Mass will also be live streamed from the cathedral. Please go to: <https://www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral/embed>

Kevin will celebrate his First Mass at Our Lady & St Christopher's on the following day, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July, at 11.00am, followed by a celebration in the St Christopher Centre.

Please continue to keep Kevin in your prayers in these final weeks of preparation as he looks forward to his priestly ordination.

**EVERGREEN GROUP – St Christopher Centre, Wednesdays 1.30pm – 3.30pm**

3rd June Film

10th June Craft with Anne Marie

**200 CLUB FOR MARY'S MEALS** The May draw takes place this weekend. If you would like to join, £11 will buy one number for the next 11 months. Forms are at the back of church and cash, or a cheque needs to be handed in at the presbytery by Wednesday 27th May at the latest. Thank you.

**DIOCESAN MASS FOR MARRIAGE 2026** This is always a very happy occasion for couples celebrating significant anniversaries and for their families. The Bishop will celebrate the Mass on Saturday 13th June at 12 noon at Saint Columba's, Chester, followed by a buffet lunch in the Parish Hall. Parishioners celebrating a significant anniversary this year should let Fr Michael have their names, contact details and the significant anniversary they are celebrating as soon as possible, so they can receive a personal invitation from the Bishop.

**NEW CATHOLIC WEBSITE FOR CHILDREN**, which has an easy-to-follow channel and is a Catholic resource for parents and schools: <https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/>  
<https://youtube.com/@themark10mission?si=Vn2PzCNEUe1fgXVM>

**BOOKS ON PRAYER** There is a limited number of copies of *An Introduction to Prayer* by Bishop Robert Barron on the table at the back of the church. This short, helpful book with its brief chapters covers topics such as "What is Prayer?", "Principles of Prayer", "Types of Prayer", and more. The books are free, please help yourself.

**WOODLEY METHODIST CHURCH** is hosting the Plaza Theatre organist Michael Holmes who will be playing in concert remembering the late Nigel Ogden on 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 7.30pm. Tickets at £10 are available from Phil Taylor – 0161 989 9993. Please see poster in the porch.

**PARISH FINANCE** Last Sunday's collection £713.00; CAFOD £50.00. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS** Last week, two trays and two large carrier bags of donations were delivered to St Mark's, plus cash donations amounting to £180 (£120, £20, £20, £10, £10). Thank you for your generosity. The church is open for donations on **Sundays and Mondays from 2.00pm - 4.00pm**. Cash donations marked "Food Bank" may be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **Donations of pot noodles, microwave rice and chick peas would be particularly welcome. Thank you.**

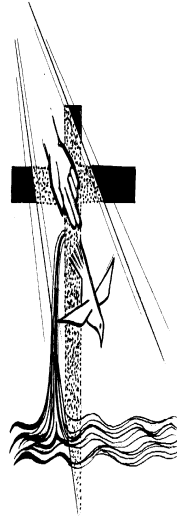
**STAMPS FOR THE RNIB** There is a box in the church porch for used stamps for the RNIB.

**JOIN US AT FOOTSTEPS ON THURSDAY 18 JUNE AT 7.30pm** We're so pleased to welcome **Rev'd Heidi Munn** who'll be talking about '**Discovering the Sign of the Cross**'. Rev'd Heidi is a curate at our neighbouring Norbury Parish Church, and she'll share how she discovered the Sign of the Cross. Coming from a non-Christian home she will explain how she came to understand the importance of the cross of Christ and the ancient Christian practice of making the Sign of the Cross.

All are welcome to come to our informal, friendly event in a café-style setting **in the parish centre at St Peter's, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA** where we serve light refreshments and nibbles along with a good sprinkling of humour. Footsteps provides a forum for all denominations where we can listen to and reflect on various topics as we journey in our Christian faith. We hope to see you there.

**JOB VACANCIES** HARRYTOWN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL currently has vacancies for a Lay Chaplain, a Nurture Teacher and Learning Mentors. Please visit the school website for further details – [www.harrytownschool.org](http://www.harrytownschool.org)

**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](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk)



**THE ST CHRISTOPHER CENTRE** Booking enquiries please to Ruth Craven: Tel 07423 682266 or email [ruthcraven@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ruthcraven@hotmail.co.uk)

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