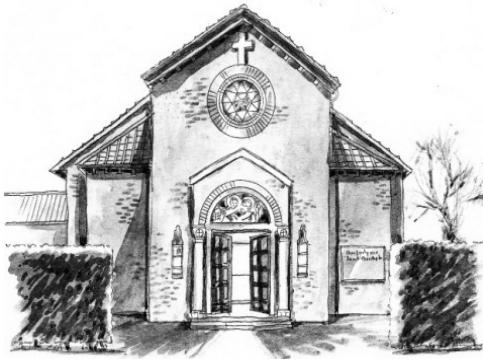


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SUNDAY 7th JUNE 2026

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

MESSAGE FROM FR MICHAEL

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, traditionally known as Corpus Christi. It invites us to reflect on the great gift of the Holy Eucharist, in which Jesus gives himself to strengthen our communion with him and help us bear witness to his love in the world. The Eucharist is also a foretaste of the heavenly banquet to come. Let us give thanks for this wonderful gift and draw ever closer to the Lord by receiving him regularly in Holy Communion.

On Thursday, we welcome the children of St Christopher's Primary School, who will join us for the Going Forth Mass at 9.30am.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: Sunday 7th June 2026 – Sunday 14th June 2026

Sunday	Evening Mass of following Solemnity (Saturday) THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	6.00pm 9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Mary Morris 90 th B/day Mass Natalie Whitehead RIP
Monday	Ferial Adoration & Morning Prayer	8.30am 9.30am	Thomas Meeks - ill
Tuesday	St Richard of Chichester, B - Adoration	6.30pm 7.30pm	Welfare of Jacqueline
Wednesday	Ferial Adoration & Morning Prayer	8.30am 9.30am	Christine Fox RIP
Thursday	Ferial St Christoher's Primary School Going Forth Mass	9.30am	Kathleen & Shirley Meehan
Friday	Ferial	8.15am 12.00pm	Mass in Harrytown Catholic HS Stella Walker RIP
Saturday	St Alban, M Evening Mass of following Solemnity Saturday)	9.30am 6.00pm	Private Intention Teresa Palmer RIP
Sunday	ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00am 11.00am	Moire Phelan RIP People of the Parish

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, 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 Brian Hart, James Cannon, William Dugdale, Barbara Law, George Collinge, Vincent Cook, Amy O'Donnell, Rosalyn Adegunle, Gertrude Cunningham, Bert Handel, Vincent Connolly, Mary Timblin.

RECENTLY DECEASED Please pray for Frank Rose who died recently. May he rest in peace. Please also pray for Frank's family at this time.

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 Body & Blood of Christ A: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58. **Preface:** The Most Holy Eucharist 2, page 65; **Eucharistic Prayer:** 3 page 27.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ADAM DIXON who will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church at today's 9.00am Mass. Adam has been prepared by Tomás Miller, a seminarian who was on parish placement until returning to Oscott College in January, together with Fr Michael. During the same Mass, Adam will also receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist for the first time. It is especially fitting that he will do so on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

MISSION APPEAL Sr Gloria Olori of the Sisters of St Michael the Archangel will speak at all Masses next weekend on behalf of the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales, asking for support for their work with poor and marginalised communities. The sisters serve in several countries, helping people who are homeless, babies without mothers, those in poverty, vulnerable children, widows, and older people.

LADIES' GUILD On Thursday 11th June we're having a Race Night. All are welcome to attend.

OUR LADY AND THE APOSTLES PARISH warmly invites you to a special celebration of **Corpus Christi Vespers** in church on **Sunday 7th June at 7.00pm**.

Adoration and the Rosary will begin at **6.00pm**, followed by sung Vespers. All are welcome. (**Shaw Heath, Stockport, SK3 8BQ**).

NEW DIOCESAN WEBSITE To mark our 175th 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/>

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - 9.00AM MASS Please collect the latest rota from the rack in the small sacristy Thank you.

200 CLUB WINNERS FOR MAY Shaun Dobson, Maureen Christian, Joanne Coll, Margaret Howarth. Please collect your envelopes from the small sacristy. Thank you.

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 5th 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

10th June Craft with Anne Marie

WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL OF CATHOLIC LIFE You are warmly invited to celebrate Catholic life and faith at St. Mary's Oscott, Birmingham between Friday July 24th to Monday 27th July. All are welcome. The festival programme brings together many hundreds of Catholics (and others) in a broad way with events, talks, worship and fellowship throughout the weekend. It has been designed with parishes and families in mind. Attendees can choose to join for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) or on a day basis with numerous ticketing options now on sale. Please see the poster on the noticeboard; for details go to www.webeliefestival.com

Online readers can view a short video of last year's festival - please click [here](#)

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.

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday's collection £599.86; CAFOD £30.00; standing orders and faster payments for May £2,821.00; contactless card donations for May £908.00. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

FOODBANK DONATIONS Last week, two very full trays and two carrier bags of donations were delivered to St Mark's, plus cash donations amounting to £150 (£120, £20, £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 individual chocolate bars, toothpaste and dog food 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.

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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