

**Foundation Governors:** St Philip's Catholic School require Foundation Governors for the beginning of September. By law diocesan schools have governing bodies made up of various categories of governor - the majority of which are Foundation Governors, who are practising Catholics appointed by the Bishop. If you feel able to offer your services please contact Sue Blackwell, Governance Support Officer for the Diocese, via [sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or telephone 0151 652 9855 should you require any further information before applying. The required forms can also be downloaded from the diocesan website [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org) Click on main Education heading and click on Foundation Governors from the drop-downs which will appear on the left hand side. If you do have any problems please contact Sue using the contact details above.

**St Ann's Bridge Group:** We are looking for anyone interested in joining our social Bridge Group every Wednesday 10am - 12noon. All comers welcome. Contact Maire on 07535 322897.

**St James Alumni Network:** An alumni network for past pupils of St James High School has recently been set up and they would like to connect with as many people as possible. The link to the sign up form is on their website: <http://www.stjamescheadle.co.uk/alumni/>

**Thursday Coffee morning** raised £55.00 for Parish Funds.

**A message from Catholic Young Adult's Charity - Youth 2000:** Are you wanting to explore faith, improve your relationship with Jesus, and make loads of new friends at the same time? Youth 2000 are preparing to welcome hundreds of young people from all around the UK to pray and praise together over the entire Bank Holiday weekend (Fri 26<sup>th</sup> - Mon 29<sup>th</sup> August at Ampleforth College, York). Families and under 18s are welcome! Go to [www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival](http://www.youth2000.org/events/summerfestival) to book.

**Please pray for all those who are sick and for all those who have died recently.** We also remember: Bernard Glennon, Emilia McInerney, Harriet Ward, Gladys Roche, Joan Thorpe, George Stevenson, Margaret Fallon, Michael Lennon, William Howfield, Winifred Sankey, John Wilkinson, Jack Spencer and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

**Parish Safeguarding Reps:** Noel Russell and Bernadette McCrory. If you have any concerns about safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults, please speak to them or contact them via the presbytery, in the strictest confidence.

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## The Catholic Parish of St Chad, Cheadle



**Priests: Fr. Sean Davidson & Fr. Louis Charuvila Pappy**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Year C**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Before returning to our study of the Ten Commandments, I just wanted to write a word by way of follow-up to the announcement from last weekend. We wish Fr Louis every blessing as he begins his new ministry on September 1<sup>st</sup>, taking care of both parishes of St Ann and St Chad. As I mentioned last Sunday, he has had a lot of prior experience to prepare him to take up this mission and I am sure that you will find him to be a wise and caring pastor. Let us pray that the Lord will send him another priest before too long to assist him in his pastoral ministry. Victoria Holmes has kindly agreed to take on more administrative responsibility for our parishes from September onwards. She will be based especially at St Chad's but she will also be working with Julie and the team at St Ann's to coordinate activities and communications for both parishes. We already have a fantastic team of laypeople working hard behind the scenes in both parishes to ensure that administration and church maintenance runs smoothly; and their role is now set to become all the more important as we return to having only one priest. Although he will still be overseeing everything, their work will lift much of the burden of parish administration from Fr Louis. This will permit him to have more time for those dimensions of the pastoral and sacramental ministry which are proper to the priest alone.

With the shortage of priests, I do think that it is going to become more and more necessary for laypeople to have increased responsibility in our parishes, especially as regards administration and the day-to-day practicalities of parish life. We all need to work together as a team, each one doing all they can to provide for the future of the Church in this area. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to further invest your time and talents into volunteering to serve the community in some way. A big thank you to all those who are already working hard to keep the churches looking so beautiful, and to all those who devote themselves to the parishes in any way whatsoever! I must say that I have been very impressed during my time here with the way in which things are organised and the constant availability of so many generous souls. We have two lovely communities and people who know how to give of themselves unceasingly without seeking praise or reward. It is also great to see both parishes

now working together in different areas. I believe that this will bring a mutual enrichment and long-term strengthening of both communities. Let us pray for Fr Louis during the coming weeks, for a joyful transition for him to his new position of leadership, as well as for Victoria and for all those who will be supporting him in different ways.

May God bless you all. Fr Sean

**Thank you...** Margaret and Graham Livesey would like to thank everyone for their loving support and prayers for the speedy and healthy recovery of their daughter Beth. They are very touched, and your continued thoughts and prayers are much appreciated by them and their family.

**Cheadle Catholic Infant School Staff Vacancies** The governors are seeking to appoint a new Learning Support Assistant, an After School Club Assistant and a Midday Assistant to start in September. Details on how to apply are on our school website. <https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/vacancies>  
**St. Chad's Players:** The parish drama group, will recommence activities in September. We will be rehearsing ahead of three performances of our 2023 pantomime at the end of January. We rehearse for a couple of hours each Sunday evening with additional/longer rehearsals, coming up to the first performance. please contact Karl Collinge on 07976 784952 ASAP if you wish to be on stage in the pantomime and in the case of children, please advise their ages. Please pass on this information to others who may not see the newsletter. Thank you.

**Prayer for Vocations:** With Fr Sean moving on and Fr Louis having to take over the running of both parishes, we are reminded very keenly about the lack of available priests. Let us all give thanks and pray for Fr Louis, but let us also pray for vocations to the priesthood in our diocese.

*Eternal Father, We thank you for every priest who has faithfully given his life for the salvation of his brothers and sisters. We give thanks to those priests who have brought us your Word of truth, the grace of the Sacraments and, above all, the supreme gift of the Holy Eucharist.*

*Father through your Son Jesus Christ, who called the Apostles to follow him, we ask you to raise up new and generous vocations to the priesthood in our time. Send forth the Holy Spirit to open the hearts of a new generation to your call and enable them not to be afraid, but to recognise the joy of giving their whole lives in love through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen*

## Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	St Ann's <b>St Chad's</b>	5pm <b>6.30pm</b>	Patricia Thornhill RIP <b>For the parishioners of St Chad's &amp; St Ann's</b>
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> <i>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year C</i>	<b>St Chad's</b> St Ann's	<b>9.30am</b> 11am	<b>Brian Devince RIP</b> David McKenna RIP
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	St Ann's	10am	In thanksgiving (CJH)
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>	St Ann's <b>St Chad's</b>	10am <b>6.30pm</b>	Margaret Harvey RIP <b>Alfredo Sanedrin Jnr RIP</b>
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>St Chad's</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Sheilagh Tynan RIP</b>
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	St Ann's	10am	Lilly Murphy RIP
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	St Ann's <b>St Chad's</b>	5pm <b>6.30pm</b>	For the parishioners of St Ann's & St Chad's <b>Eileen Reid RIP</b>
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> <i>17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Year C</i>	<b>St Chad's</b> St Ann's	<b>9.30am</b> 11am	<b>Anne Heath RIP</b> Cyril Cook RIP

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Will take place before Mass on Sundays and Tuesdays and from 9am-6pm on Thursday.

**Confessions:** Available on request by phoning the presbytery a minimum of 24 hours in advance to arrange.

**Mass Intentions:** Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. Please note that we are now up to October with Mass Intentions.

**Perpetual Adoration:** Every Thursday 9am-6pm. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church. You are welcome to come along at any time during the day. Please note that St Ann's have Adoration from 9am-6pm every Friday.

**Confirmation 2022** Many Congratulations to the 16 young people of St Ann's and St Chad's, who were confirmed by Bishop Mark last Tuesday. Please continue to remember them all in your prayers.

**Apostleship of the Sea:** There will be a final opportunity this weekend to donate to the Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea. Thank you.