We will pray the Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood: 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

SVP: The Stockport/Hyde SVP have been providing a children's holiday for over 70 years. These holidays offer a week of fun, excitement and friendship to boys and girls aged 9 to 11yrs. The holiday takes place in Snowdonia (includes climbing, canoeing, caving & gorge walking). We need volunteers to help during the week. Volunteers must be willing to undergo training and have a DBS check if they do not already have a certificate. We are looking for men and women aged over 18yrs who have lots of energy and are free between the 13-19 August. Volunteers do not need to be members of the SVP. This is a wonderful opportunity to give young people an experience that they will remember for many years. If you are able to help or would like more information, then please contact Vince McAllister by email to **vincem@svp.org.uk**

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023: Bookings are now open. The overland pilgrimage will depart on 27 July returning on 4 Aug. Those wishing to fly will depart from Liverpool airport on 28 July returning on 3 Aug. More details are available on the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk. Young pilgrims (aged 16 – 22) are asked to contact Sandy Fairley at the Youth Mission Team **youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org** for more details.

Please pray for all those who are sick. We pray for Pat Thompson and all those who have died recently. We also remember: Florence McCarron, Ernest Pimm, Mary Hayes, Arthur Endsor, Kathleen Batey, Annie Johnson, Francis Sullivan, Edna Allsop, Catherine Black, John Burrell, Jack Tate, Ellen O'Brien, Edward Atkins, Alice Brookes, Fr. Steven Tynan, Joan Nadin, Martin O'Brien, Emily Buckley, Harold Rigby, William Barton, Anthony Clarke and all those who 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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Sunday 2nd April 2023 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Greetings and Prayers to all.

This week we enter the most Holy Week to participate in the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Week of Lord's Passion is not just Jesus' dying and rising, but our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, which will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Attentive participation in the Holy Week liturgy will deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith, and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus. Let us remember the significance of Holy Week: a week of remembrance and appreciation, a week of thanksgiving, a week of repentance and reconciliation, a week to keep Christ's new commandment of love, and a week to deepen our faith and strengthen our relationship with God.

On Palm Sunday, we celebrate Christ's solemn entry into the city of Jerusalem to fulfil His Paschal sacrifice. While the ways of earthly kings are majestic and ostentatious, Jesus, King of Kings, prefers to ride on a donkey to go towards Jerusalem. His ways are modest and simple. Yet the people recognize Him as "the Prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee." This was part of his large plan to empty Himself as Paul says, "Though He was in the form of God, He did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on the Cross." (Phil. 2: 6-8). Even so this is a triumphant entry, because humility is strength in the eyes of God. Fr. Louis.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 1 st Vigil	St Ann's	5pm	Margaret McAvoy RIP
Sun 2 nd Palm Sunday	St Chad's St Ann's	9.30am 11am	For the People of our parishes Adrian Lawson RIP
Mon 3 rd	St Ann's	10am	For the O'Reilly Family
Tues 4 th	St Ann's St Chad's	10am 6.30pm	For the Granelli Family Vincent Collinge RIP
Wed 5 th	No Mass		
Thurs 6 th Maundy Thursday	St Chad's St Ann's	6.30pm 8pm	John Feehan RIP Flo Davies RIP
Fri 7 th Good Friday Service	St Chad's St Ann's	3pm 3pm	
Sat 8 th Vigil	St App's	_	Paddy & Maureen McGinty RIP
C oth D	St Ann's	8pm	For the Sertori family
Sun 9 th Easter Sunday	St Chad's St Ann's	9.30am 11am	Edward Daniel Coyle RIP For the parishioners of St Ann's & St Chad's

Mass Intentions: Envelopes available at the back of the church. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. Please note we are into July with Mass Intentions.

Please note there is NO Mass on Thursday morning and no Adoration during the day.

Thursday Coffee Morning: Raised £46 for Cornerstones.

Parish Day Pilgrimage there are still a few spaces left for our Day Pilgrimage to Ladyewell Shrine, Preston on Saturday 15th July. Cost is £15 per person (cover coach cost and donation to the Shrine). Bring a packed lunch. Tea/Coffee provided. Leaving St Chad's at 9.30am, returning to St Chad's by approx. 4.30pm. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of Church.

Knit and Knatter: will be selling their Easter items from this weekend, raising funds for The Little Sisters of the Poor. If anyone would like to donate Creme Eggs (or similar) please leave in the cupboard at the back of Church.

Easter Flowers: If you would like to make a donation towards Easter Flowers, please place your donation in an envelope and put either put into the collection bags or post through the presbytery door. Thank you.

Journeying together to Easter: A series of Ecumenical Lenten Services followed by light refreshments. Final Talk: 5th April – Gatley URC

Online course on Vatican II: Part III The Church. The first podcast on *Lumen Gentium* is now available at <u>dioceseofshrewsbury.org</u>. together with **3** handouts for downloading or printing: An Introduction to LG; A visual presentation of its 8 chapters; An outline of issues addressed in it. A **leaflet** outlining the content of all of the podcasts in the series is available in the parish. Should you have difficulty accessing this material, any questions or reflections, please don't hesitate to call Barbara Davies on 07730 526821.

Vacancy: The Diocese is looking to recruit a Youth Mission Team Member to engage with young people in schools and parishes across the Shrewsbury Diocese, based in Stockport. For more information please visit https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies. Closing date Fri 7 April.

SVP Membership Support Officer (MSO) The SVP would like to recruit a MSO for the Shrewsbury Diocese. A part time role (15 hours per week) working as part of the SVP Membership Team, to support member recruitment and development, provide general support for members and be the link between local Conferences and National Office. Home based but requires the ability to travel around the diocese to make recruitment appeals, work with existing groups, attend meetings and meet with interested parties where appropriate. Own transport essential and travel expenses are paid. For further information and details of how to apply, contact Lance Philpott, Head of Membership at lancep@svp.org.uk Closing date for applications is Sunday 16th April 2023. Vacancy at Cheadle Catholic Infant School: The governors are seeking to appoint a School Business Manager (SO2). For more information please visit https://www.cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk/news-and-events/vacancies/or email Mrs Glynn: headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk.

Vacancy: St Cuthbert's Old School Nursery (EY481916) seeks to appoint a committed and enthusiastic Nursery Manager to lead our hardworking Early Years team. The Nursery is long established and serves the community of Cheadle and Cheadle Heath. Salary: Dependent on qualifications & experience. Working Hours: 25 hours / 39 weeks. Contract Type: Permanent.Required from: 4th September 2023. For further details please email john@theberries.me.uk