

The Catholic Parish of St Chad, Cheadle

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Office Hours: Thursdays 11am – 1pm - St Chad's and Mondays 10.30am-1pm – St Ann's

Sunday 3rd December 2023 – 1st Sunday of Advent Year B

Advent Mission Day: NEXT Saturday 9th December from 9.30am-3.45pm with keynote speakers Gary Stephens and Daniella Stephens. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea/Coffee provided. The format for the day is...

9.30am: Arrivals & Refreshments

10am: Welcome & Praise & Worship

10.30am: **Session 1:** The love of God the Father & Sin

11:15 am: Break

11:30am **Session 2:** Salvation in Jesus Christ & Conversion

12:15am Lunch – please bring packed lunch

1:15pm **Session 3:** The Gift of the Holy Spirit & Prayer Ministry

2pm Break

2.15pm **Session 4:** The Church & Mission

3pm **Eucharistic Adoration, Confession & Benediction**

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 2 nd Vigil	St Ann's	5pm	Monica Harrop RIP
Sun 3 rd 1 st Sunday of Advent	St Chad's St Ann's	9.30am 11am	Cora Tierney Martin Losse RIP
Mon 4 th	St Ann's	10am	Requiem for Christine O'Gara
Tues 5 th	St Ann's St Chad's	10am 6.30pm	Requiem for Thomas Kelly Anthony Webster RIP
Wed 6 th	No Mass		
Thurs 7 th	St Chad's	9.30am	Service of Word and Communion
Fri 8 th	St Ann's	10am	Gillian Mary Rushton RIP
Sat 9 th Vigil	St Ann's	5pm	Paddy Bergin RIP
Sun 10 th 2 nd Sunday of Advent	St Chad's St Ann's	9.30am 11am	Donald Baybutt RIP For the parishioners of St Ann's & St Chad's

Apologies for the error last week, please note our service on Thursday is back to its usual time of 9.30am.

Mass Intentions: Envelopes available at the back of the church. Please post the envelope through the presbytery door once completed. Please note that we do have quite a backlog of intentions as we only have 3 Masses per week. We will try to list intentions asap, and as near as possible to the dates required. Thank you.

Please pray for all those who are sick. We pray for all those who have died recently. We also remember: George Jones, Margaret McGrevy, Ethel Buchanan, Betty Wilson, Joseph Moore, Francis Tarbuck, Wyn Frith, James Coyle, Alice Doane, Edmund Salter, Norman Roles, Frank Magrath, John Keegan, Herbert Thackray, Frances Dowling, Margaret Allen, Frances Crosby, Hilda Cronin, Arnold Hagan, Mary Quirk, Stephen King, Wilfred Connor, Margaret Adamson, Kevin Hardy, Barbara O'Loughlin and all those who anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

Confessions: every Tuesday 6pm-6.25pm. At other times on request.

Please note there is no Adoration this Thursday 7th December.

SVP: If you are lonely and would like to receive regular visits from members of St. Chad's SVP, and/or you know of other people in this position, please speak to any member of St. Chad's SVP.

Caritas at Christmas Appeal 2023: there will be a collection here today (3rd December). Thank you for your generosity and support. 100% of your donations will go to those in the most vulnerable situations within the diocese, ensuring they receive crisis food vouchers and practical support as quickly as possible when it is most needed. You can also donate online at www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk. If you are aware of someone in need of assistance, please speak to Trish Spencer, DCFO 0151 652 1281.

Piety Stall: There are still a few Christmas Cards/Gifts available on the piety stall. Items are on display in the hall foyer. If you ordered a diary they are now labelled and ready to collect from the piety stall. Please pay when you collect it. If you haven't ordered a diary but would like one, there are a few spares available on a first-come-first-served basis. Thank you.

Pastoral Letter: There are a few copies of the Pastoral Letter from Bishop Mark available at the back of church. Please take one if you would like to read the letter again.

Christmas Fair: thank you to all those who came along to support our Christmas Fair last week. A big thank you to all our volunteers to gave their time to set up, run the stalls and tidy up it is much appreciated and great to have so many volunteers. We raised £1300.00 for church funds. The list of raffle winners is at the back of church. Thank you very much.

Knit and Knatter: during December Knit and Knatter will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. So they meet THIS Wednesday 6th December 1pm-3pm in the church hall. All welcome.

St Chad's Players The 2024 pantomime will be Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs and will be performed Fri 26th Jan at 7.30, Sat 27th Jan at 7.30 and Sun 28th Jan at 2.30. Tickets (Adults £5 and Concessions £4) will be on sale after the Sunday masses from this weekend or can be reserved by ringing John Murray on 282-5567 or 07836-355182.

Cheadle Catholic Infant School Open Evenings: for 2024 prospective parents THIS Tues 6th Dec 6-7pm. If you know anyone who may be interested in a Reception or Nursery place for September 2024 please ask them to email admin@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk in order to book a place.

Friends of the Holy Land appeal the Friends of the Holy Land have asked us to publicise the urgent needs of Christians in Holy Land, especially at this tragic and traumatic time. You can donate directly via: <https://www.friendsoftheholylnd.org.uk>. For further information contact Jen Hill - telephone 01926 512980 email: jen.hill@friendsoftheholylnd.org.uk

Bishops' Autumn 2023 Plenary Resolutions The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales gathered in Leeds for their Autumn Plenary from 13-16 November 2023. There are five resolutions from the plenary; Synod on Synodality, Environmental Concerns, Shrine of St Winefride, National Eucharistic Congress and Conflict in Gaza. The statements can be viewed on their website <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>

Another Fifty Catholic Churches by Elena Curti – Some of the finest Catholic churches in England and Wales are winning recognition and a new lease of life and feature in *Another Fifty Catholic Churches to see before you die* published by Gracewing £14.99. This beautifully illustrated book continues Elena Curti's exploration of historic churches and her mission to make them better-known and appreciated. It is a follow-up to *Fifty Catholic Churches to see before you die* published in 2020. Flyer at the back of church for more details.

Baptisms: Next course will be THIS Thursday 7th December at 7pm at St Ann's. You can book a place by emailing stannschadlehulme@gmail.com. Please bring the completed Baptism Request Form (download on our website) with you to the course and only then will the date for the baptism be confirmed.

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.

We will pray the Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood at the end of Sunday Mass: 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

Christmas Masses: our Christmas Masses this year will be:

8.30pm on Sunday 24th 'Midnight Mass' – beginning with carols and readings.

9.30am Monday 25th December Christmas Day