

The Catholic Parishes of St. Chad, Cheadle, St. Ann, Cheadle Hulme and Christ Church, Heald Green

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Sunday 17th August 2025 - 20th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 16 th	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	For Fr Chris McCurry (for improved wellbeing) For the parishioners of our 3 parishes
Sunday 17 th 20 th Sunday Ordinary Time C	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	John Gatters Eddie Maguire RIP Iris Taylor RIP Betty Rice
Mon 18 th	St Ann's	10am	Sheila O'Shea RIP
Tues 19 th	St Ann's Christ Church St Chad's	10am 6.30pm 6.30pm	Deceased members of the Furphy family Hiram Cowell RIP Bernard Howell RIP
Wed 20 th	Christ Church	10am	Joyce Mitchelson
Thurs 21 st	St Chad's	9.30am	Lauren Kilmartin RIP
Fri 22 nd	Christ Church St Ann's	10am 10am	Vocations to the Priesthood Marie Walsh
Sat 23 rd	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	John Whelan RIP Jean Cox
Sunday 24 th 21 st Sunday Ordinary Time C	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	Thomas Hegarty Mary & Peter Flanagan RIP For the parishioners of our 3 parishes Monica Henshaw
CONFESSIONS, St Ann's: Saturdays 4.15pm-4.45pm, St Chad's Tuesdays 5.45pm-6.15pm, Christ Church Wednesdays 9.15am-9.45am <i>At other times by request</i>			
ADORATION Christ Church: Wednesdays before Mass 9.15am-10am and Fridays after Mass 10.30am-11am, *Please note that Adoration at St Chad's and St Ann's will resume from 10th September.*			
ROSARY, St Chad's: 9am every Sunday and Thursday, St Ann's: 10.30am every Sunday and 4.30pm every Saturday, Christ Church 9.30am every Friday			

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

St Chad's Noel Russell & Bernadette McCrory, St Ann's Julie Hindmarch, Christ Church Helen Wise. 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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Live Streaming/CCTV: please note that all parishes have live streaming and CCTV cameras in operation.

All Parishes Notices

RCIA -Are you considering becoming a Catholic or know someone who is? The RCIA program welcomes baptised or not baptised, other faiths and baptised Catholics who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith. Come and see. We welcome those who wish to know more about the Catholic faith and, following the sacramental program, to enter into full communion with the Catholic church next Easter. Initial Meeting 7.30pm on Tuesday 2nd September in the Parish Room at St Ann's Cheadle Hulme. The programme will then continue most Tuesdays at 7.30pm. For more information about the RCIA Program, contact Victoria at: lma19shrewsbury@gmail.com

Cheadle Catholic Schools Open Evenings: If you have a child due to start Reception or Nursery in September 2026 please come along to one of our Open Evenings at the Infant School that have been organised on the following dates: Tues 7th October 6-7pm, Tues 18th November 5-6pm, Tues 25th Nov 6-7pm, Tue 9th Dec 5-6pm. To book a place please email admin@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk

Stepping Hill Hospital Chaplaincy: will be running a training course for new volunteers in September. More details to follow.

St Chad's

Sunday Coffee: please join us for refreshments after 9.30am Mass every week.

Children's Liturgy: We resume on 7 September and look forward to seeing everyone again.

Thursday Coffee: every Thursday after the 9.30am Mass.

Knit and Knatter: meet in the Church Hall on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 1pm-3pm. All welcome – come to knit or knatter!

ST. CHAD'S PLAYERS : The January 2026 pantomime will be Robin Hood. The first meeting to discuss this will be held on Sunday Sept. 7th at 5.00 pm. in the church hall and rehearsals will follow on Sunday evenings (5 - 7 pm.) from then onwards, with longer and/or extra rehearsals, closer to the performances. New members of all ages are most welcome to join the group, either on stage or off stage. More information is available from John Murray on 282-5567 or 07836-355182.

Volunteers Needed: we are blessed to have a large number of people who volunteer in various roles which help keep our parish active. However, we are always in need of more volunteers to help with these roles/ministries in the church. An example of some of the roles are: Children's Liturgy leaders, Choir, Cleaners, Altar servers, Readers, Church website. If you are interested and would be willing to help, please speak/email Victoria. Thank you.

St Chad's Singers: rehearsals will resume in September, building towards a Christmas Concert. We do have a few spaces available for new members. If you enjoy singing and are interested in joining (no auditions needed) please contact Victoria on vic.holmes@gmail.com/07905 519322 for more information.

Christ Church

Children's Liturgy: We resume on 7th September and look forward to seeing everyone again.

The Divine Mercy Prayer Group: the prayer meetings have finished for the summer break. We will resume the prayer meetings again on September 8th. Have a great summer and God bless you always.

Rosary: will be said every Friday at 9.30am in church before Mass.

Christ Church continued

If you know of anyone who is housebound and would like a visit from the SVP volunteers from St Ann's please inform Cath in the office.

SVP: we are looking at the possibility of establishing an SVP group from Christ Church. This could be a stand-alone group or could form part of another local conference. If anyone is interested in joining such a group, and having the opportunity to make befriending visits to those socially isolated and housebound parishioners in the Heald Green area, please email the parish. Thank you.

Wellspring: there will be no collection during August. These will resume in September.

St Ann's

Lunch at the Pointing Dog: is booked for lunch on Wednesday 20th August at 12.30pm. If we have anyone wanting to join us at the last minute, please speak to Julie asap.

Thank you: Iris Taylor's family would like to say a heartfelt 'Thank you' to all those who managed to join them at the burial, sent cards and offered prayers for her.

Altar Servers Training: Training sessions have now finished but will resume during the school holidays. Details will be given in the newsletter nearer the time. Any enquiries please contact Hilda on 07724 055735.

St Ann's Book Club: We are meeting early this month on August 18th (to avoid the Bank Holiday) at 2pm in the Parish Room. September's Book will be 'The Midnight Library' by Matt Haig. New members always welcome.

Tuesday Coffee Morning: We have coffee and chat after the 10am Mass every Tuesday but starting in September, we will be adding an extra dimension to the morning for anyone who is interested. Whether you're an experienced knitter or just curious about learning to crochet or knit, Pauline Gallagher will be happy to teach beginners and get people working together to create handmade items for those in need – e.g. warm scarves for the homeless, tiny hats and matinee coats for premature babies in the neonatal unit – but there's room for your ideas too. Just bring your hook or needles and some wool and enjoy a relaxed, friendly morning with us.

Mass Intentions: Once again, we are running very low on Mass intentions, so if you'd like to have a Mass offered for someone, please get one of the brown Mass envelopes that can be found in the porch, fill in the details and either put the envelope in the collection basket at a weekend Mass, pop it through the presbytery door or else give it directly to Julie. Alternatively, email the parish with the details.

Other Local & Diocesan Events and News

Men's Football Tournament in aid of St Joseph's Stockport: taking place on Saturday 30th August 2025 at Cheadle Catholic School, Conway Road, Cheadle Hulme, SK8 6DB from 10am – 3pm (Gates open from 9.30am) Entrance vis Bruntwood Lane footpath only. Bring a picnic, chair or rug. Drink refreshments available to buy. No parking on site. Please park in Bruntwood Park or park respectfully nearby. Tickets now on sale and cost £10 for adults, £5 for children or family ticket for £15 – to purchase call 07958 795105. Book early to avoid disappointment. Come along to support your parish team and to help raise funds for the restoration of St Joseph's.

Sharing hope with a broken world with special guest star Mark Saunders. On September 13th 2025 at St Joseph's Stockport. 10.30am – 2.15pm. Mark Saunders was an Evangelical Pastor who reverted back to the Catholic faith just over a year ago. As an evangelical Mark travelled across the county training people on evangelisation and he is very keen to bring this experience to us. Mark will talk about his story and also about the importance of evangelisation. For more information and to book your place please email Natalie.Orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Benediction in honour of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux to be held at the Carmelite Monastery, 12 Grosvenor Place, Birkenhead CH43 1UA on Sunday September 28th 2025 at 3.00pm Benediction followed by Veneration of the First Class Relic of St Thérèse and the Blessing of the Roses. All are welcome

Vacancy: A vacancy has arisen for the role of Cook within St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine, Stockport. This is a permanent appointment requiring 9 hours per week; 3 hours each day on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Rate of Pay – £12.60 per hour. Applications should be sent to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing date Friday 5 September. Further details are available on the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

Jubilee for Catechists with Bishop Mark Davies, the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph and Natalie Orefice, Diocesan Director of Evangelisation and Catechesis. On Saturday 15th November at St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine, Tatton St, Stockport SK1 1EJ. Book a free place here: <https://bit.ly/Jubilee-for-Catechists>

Baptisms: For children under 7 years of age: Both parents must attend an evening course before the baptism of their child. Please note that the next course will be Thursday 4th September 2025 St Ann's at 7pm. There are limited spaces left for this course. You must book a place by emailing stannsheadleholme@gmail.com. The following course will be on 2nd October. Please note you will need to provide a copy of baptism certificates for Catholic Parents and Godparents. Thank you.

Weddings: If you are planning to get married at any of our three parishes, outside of the parish or abroad and you live within our parish boundary, you must speak to Fr Louis at least 6 months before your proposed wedding date. This ensures that we have enough time to complete the marriage preparation course and all the relevant paperwork. Any questions please speak to Fr Louis or Victoria.

Funerals: A Catholic funeral is a time of prayer, worship, and thanksgiving to God for the life of the deceased. The funeral director normally makes first contact with the parish to arrange the date and time of the funeral. They will coordinate the arrangements between the family, parish, cemetery/ crematorium and themselves. Once the date is arranged, we will get in touch with the family to discuss the order of service. We have documents with suggested readings and hymns to help with this. Please note that only religious music is allowed in church. Visiting priests are most welcome but they should follow the practices of our parishes, and if they are from a different Diocese, they will need to provide their Celebret in advance of the service. If you have any questions or would like to discuss please contact Victoria.

Please pray for:

St Chad's: Please pray for Kathy Gilronan and all those who are sick. We pray for all those who have died recently. We also remember: David Draycott, Susan Coulson, Anne Brook, Eleatha Widdows, Andrew Morris, Effie Carrigher, Chris Carroll, Philip Paredes, Bill Dolan, Geoff Bird, Mary Oliver, John O'Shea, Mitzi Salter, Ronald Toulman, Annie Griffin, Tony Moores, John Thompson, Eva Oldfield and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

St Ann's: Please pray for Mary Clarke, Debbie Burnett, Colleen Zacharias, Tim Driscoll, Martin Darcy, David Scott, Mick Johnson, Toni Bradley, Ita Griffin, Anna Curley, Peter La Mattina, Julie Eyres, Chris Hindmarch, Roy Hatton, Mary Maloney, Jenny Morgan, Joanne Wilson and Premature Baby Thomas Price, James & Josephine Whelan, Fr Chris McCurry, Tony Kiely, Richard Tomczak, Beryl Burnett, Eithne Hulse, Marie Bridge and Ann Miller who are sick.

For all those who have died recently, their families and friends and all those grieving the death of a loved one, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Christ Church: Please pray for Caroline O'Sullivan, Anne Byrne and all who are ill. Please pray for Peter Johnson and all those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Please let us know if you would like to add anyone to any of our sick lists.

Jubilee Prayer: Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmo in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen