

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

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Priest: Fr. Louis Charuvila Pappy, **Assistant Priest:** Fr. Samuel Libu**Parish Secretary/LMA Coordinator** – Victoria Holmes: 07905 519322**Parish Secretary Christ Church:** Cath Cohen **Lay Pastoral Minister St Ann's:** Julie Hindmarch**Office Hours:** Monday 9am-4pm, Thursday 9am-4pm, Friday 1.30pm-3pm 01614375042 / 07905 519322**Sunday 14th September 2025 – Exaltation of the Holy Cross****Page 191 in the Mass Books**

Today, we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation, or Triumph, of the Cross, originating in the 4th century and remembered annually in the Catholic Church. The cross symbolizes the triumph of love over hate, faith over despair, and Jesus Christ's sacrifice. His faith triumphed over despair, and his struggle is still present in our lives today. The Cross helps us to see our lives united with Christ's cross, and we should look to it with hope. The cross represents the infinite love of God for each of us and the source of our salvation. The Church exalts the Holy Cross, and Christians bless themselves with the sign of the cross, which is the sign of immense love for us, the sign of our salvation and path towards the Resurrection. This is our hope as we honour and praise the Holy Cross. Let us pray: Behold, the wood of the cross on which has hung the Savior of the world. Fr. Louis.

Mass Times & Intentions

Sat 13 th	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	Peter Brodigan Dell Family – for their son's ordination as a Deacon
Sunday 14 th Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	Special Intention for successful cancer treatment Eileen Percy RIP For the parishioners of our 3 parishes Patrick McDonnell RIP
Mon 15 th	St Ann's	10am	For Rose & Tim Riley
Tues 16 th	St Ann's Christ Church Christ Church St Chad's	10am 12pm 6.30pm 6.30pm	Doris La Mattina RIP Requiem Mass for Mary Margaret O'Donnell Gertie Phillips Deceased Members of the SVP
Wed 17 th	Christ Church	10am	Private Intention C.E.J.
Thurs 18 th	St Chad's	9.30am	Cecilia Cameron RIP
Fri 19 th	Christ Church St Ann's	10am 10am	Vocations to the Priesthood For JH & BA
Sat 20 th	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	Deceased members of the Hayes Family Thomas Moran RIP
Sunday 21 st 25 th Sunday Ordinary Time C	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	The Wilson Family Jayne Cusack RIP For the parishioners of our 3 parishes For all pupils & teachers

CONFESSIONS, St Ann's: Saturdays 4.15pm-4.45pm, **St Chad's** Tuesdays 5.45pm-6.15pm, **Christ Church** Wednesdays 9.15am-9.45am *At other times by request*

ADORATION Christ Church: Wednesdays before Mass 9.15am-10am and Fridays after Mass 10.30am-11am, **St Chad's:** Thursdays 10am-4pm, **St Ann's:** Fridays 10.30am – 4pm.

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.

Live Streaming/CCTV: please note that all parishes have live streaming and CCTV cameras in operation.

All Parishes Notices

An evening Talk on the Shroud of Turin: This 60-minute presentation (including Q&A) provides an overview of evidence revealed by a century of scientific and historical research. It focuses in particular on the astounding findings revealed by scientific examinations of the image markings visible on the Shroud, which undermine the claim that a medieval artist could have simply "faked it up and flogged it". It also explains why, after examining the Shroud's image markings and bloodstains, several forensic scientists have concluded that this is the true cloth that wrapped the body of Jesus Christ between His death and resurrection. Monday 6th October in the church hall at St Chad's. Free Entry. Talk starts at 7pm. Refreshments available. All Welcome

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

RCIA - There is still time to join our RCIA group. This programme meets on Tuesday evenings 7.30pm in the Parish Room at St Ann's Cheadle Hulme. For more information and to register your interest about the RCIA Program, contact Victoria at: lma19shrewsbury@gmail.com

Cheadle Catholic Junior School: The governors of our school invite applications from highly motivated and organised individuals with resources and vision to join our team as our new School Business Manager. See details at: www.greater.jobs/job/75733410

Cheadle Catholic Infant School: Allotment Volunteers Needed! Cheadle Catholic Schools are looking for volunteers to help with the upkeep of our school allotments. If you're a keen gardener and can spare a couple of hours weekly or fortnightly, please get in touch headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk or 0161 4858733.

Open Days: Upcoming open days at the Catholic Colleges

Aquinas Saturday 20th September and Saturday 18th October both dates 10am-1pm www.acquinas.ac.uk

Xaverian -Saturday 11th October and Sunday 19th October both dates 10.30am-2pm www.xaverian.ac.uk

Loreto – Saturday 11th October and Sunday 19th October both dates 10am-12pm and 1pm-3pm.

www.loreto.ac.uk

Vacancy: Cheadle Catholic Junior School is a vibrant and welcoming community, committed to our mission of "Forward in faith, following in the footsteps of Jesus." We are seeking a practising Catholic leader with vision and passion to join our dedicated team as **Deputy Headteacher**. You will work closely with the Headteacher, staff, governors, and the wider parish communities to continue to build upon our school offer. Please see the link for details: <https://www.greater.jobs/job/75740711>

St Chad's

Children's Liturgy: takes place every Sunday during term time. Please join us in the church hall.

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

Thursday Coffee: every Thursday after the 9.30am Mass.

Knit and Knatter: meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, 1pm-3pm in the Church Hall. All welcome.

St. Chad's Players: The January 2026 pantomime will be Robin Hood. Rehearsals take place on Sunday evenings (5 - 7 pm.) 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.

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St Chad's continued

RACE NIGHT: we are holding a Race Night on Friday 10th October, in the Church Hall. Doors open at 7pm, first race at 7.15pm. Bring your own drinks. Nibbles provided. Tickets: £2 for adults and £1 for children, plus small bets payable on the night. Tickets will be on sale after Masses from Sunday 7th September or by emailing stchadscheadle@gmail.com. Join us for a fun evening with friendly competition. All welcome!

Clean up Day!: Saturday 27th September from 10am-2pm. Please come and help us as we clear up the presbytery gardens. You don't have to stay for the whole time – any time you can give will be great. Lots of jobs big and small! Refreshments provided. Please talk to Stephen Hall if you are able to come and help.

Novena to Our Lady: thank you to all the groups who led our time of prayer through the Rosary and Masses to celebrate the Nativity of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was wonderful to spend time together in the prayer garden, and we were blessed with the weather. The garden is accessible all year round, so please do spend time there if you are passing.

Christ Church

Lost & Found: a gold ring has been found in church. If you think it might be yours, please speak to Cath in the office. Thank you.

Children's Liturgy: every Sunday at the 11am Mass.

The Divine Mercy Prayer Group: every Monday 2pm-3pm. We meet in Church (via the side door near the hall). All are welcome to join the group for this time of prayer.

Harvest Celebration and Thanksgiving: this year is on 27th / 28th September. This is not just for the children, we are asked as parishioners for each of us to participate by donating non-perishable foods or money at all the masses. Please bring your gifts up to the altar at the Offertory procession.

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

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.

Wellspring: We have a monthly collection of non-perishable foods on Saturday mornings from 11am until 12noon outside the front main doors of the Church. Next Collection 27th September.

St Ann's

Altar Servers Training: If your child would like to train as an Altar Server, and has made their First Holy Communion, please contact Hilda on 0161 439 5610 / 07724 055735 to arrange a convenient date for the first session.

Tuesday Coffee Morning: The knitting & Crocheting group for beginners as well as those with more experience proved to be very popular on its debut last week. It happens alongside our regular coffee after Mass and everyone is welcome to join us for either or both!

Free Books: There is now a fresh selection of books on the cupboards at the library end of the porch, all free, please help yourself!

Children's Liturgy: there will be Children's Liturgy at the 11am mass THIS WEEKEND.

Other Local & Diocesan Events and News

A Holy Hour: Sunday 21st September 2025 at 7pm - Praise and Worship with Scripture readings in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at St Benedict's Catholic Church, Hall Road, Handforth, SK9 3AD, followed by refreshments in the hall.

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>

Marriage & Family Life Ministry Retreat Day: Calling all those interested in supporting the vocation of marriage and family to join Jane Deegan Director of Marriage and Family Life Vocation for a Retreat day to find out more about this important work and the various different ways that help is needed. There will also be presentations from representatives of some of the apostolates already working in the diocese in support of marriage and family. 11th October 2025 9.30am-4.00pm, Parish Room Shrewsbury Cathedral - Entrance Address: Town Walls Shrewsbury SY1 1UE (Above the Cafe). Parking is limited but public car parks are available nearby **To Register and for More Information please contact:** Monika at monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Mobile: 07549226794

St Joseph's Football Tournament: Saturday 30th August saw the St Joseph's Football tournament take place at Cheadle Catholic raising around £1200 towards the restoration of St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine in Stockport. Thank-you to all those that played, attended and supported this event.

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 9th October 2025 St Ann's at 7pm. You must book a place by emailing stannsheadleholme@gmail.com. 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 all those who are sick. We pray for all those who have died recently. We also remember: Reg McKenna, Diane Evans, Elizabeth O'Dowd, James Turner, Agnes Whelan, Elizabeth Hughes, Rita Loney, Angela Brett, Fr. Bernard Houghton, Hilda Lennard, Gerard Dillon, Roy Wilson, John Duffy, John Jeffries, Carmen Sullivan, Pat Prees, Eva Lister, Marie Kenny, Veronica Dudley, Brian Whelan, Kathleen Sweeney, Francesca Baccas, Nora Wallace, Frank Cocking 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, Ann Miller and Brenda McNicholls who are sick.

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

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