

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

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Sunday 12th April 2026 – 2nd Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 11 th	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	Ian Dommett RIP Nancy Lavin
Sunday 12 th 2 nd Sunday of Easter Year A , Divine Mercy Sunday	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	Fiona Thornley RIP Thanksgiving for the gift of hearing Margaret Dennely RIP For the parishioners of our 3 parishes
Monday 13 th	St Ann's	10am	Lily Murphy RIP
Tuesday 14 th	St Ann's St Chad's Christ Church	10am 6.30pm 6.30pm	John Roberts RIP Deceased members of the SVP For the Sick & Housebound
Wednesday 15 th	Christ Church	10am	For Ann Lythe (Operation success)
Thursday 16 th	St Chad's	9.30am	Kathleen Ballintyne RIP
Friday 17 th	St Ann's Christ Church	10am 10am	Deceased members of Furphy family Vocations to the Priesthood
Saturday 18 th	St Ann's Christ Church	5pm 6.30pm	Fr Robert Morrow RIP Miranda Cabrelli RIP
Sunday 19 th 3 rd Sunday of Easter Year A	Christ Church St Chad's St Ann's Christ Church	9am 9.30am 11am 11am	Paddy Whelan RIP Josephine Murray RIP For the parishioners of our 3 parishes Gertrude Arnold

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-5pm, **St Ann's:** Fridays 10.30am – 4pm. Please sign up for a slot for Adoration at St Chad's and St Ann's.

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 (accessible via each website) and CCTV cameras in operation 24 hours a day.

All Parishes Notices

Foundation Governor Vacancy: Cheadle Catholic Infant School is currently seeking to appoint a Foundation Governor to join our dedicated Governing Body. This is a rewarding volunteer opportunity to help shape the strategic direction of our school. Applicants do not need to have a child in the school but do need to be practising Catholics. For more information please contact the headteacher; Pamela Glynn. 0161 4858733 headteacher@cheadle-inf.stockport.sch.uk.

St Chad's

Children's Liturgy: is back this weekend and takes place every Sunday during term time.

SVP: Next Sunday (April 19th), there will be a retiring collection for the SVP. If you wish gift aid to be added to your offering, please take home an SVP envelope as you leave church today. Thank you.

Knit and Knatter: every 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month 1pm-3pm in the church hall. The next meeting will be on 22nd April. All welcome.

Piety Stall: Gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation now available.

First Sacraments Programme: deadline for registration is 5pm on 19th April, for Year 3 and over, and who are not in a Catholic School. Sessions held in the parish hall at Christ Church on Wednesday evenings 6pm-7pm. Parents/carers must attend each session with your child. Initial meeting on 29th April, then 6th,13th,20th May to prepare for First Forgiveness which will take place following the session on 20 May. Then continues on 10,17,25 June to prepare for First Holy Communion. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place during Masses over the weekend of 27/28 June. To register please visit <https://forms.gle/XijEHTyaE44RWJSa6>

Christ Church

Next SVP Meeting: This Tuesday 14th April in church after 6.30 Mass. If you would like to join the SVP please pick up a form from the porch, fill it in and just drop it in the collection basket, or just come to the meeting to find what we are about.

Coffee & Chat – every Wednesday after Mass.

Parish Draw: Numbers allotted will be published soon. We will do the first draw on the 22nd April.

The Divine Mercy Prayer Group: No meeting this week. The next meeting is 20th April. We meet in Church (via the side door near the hall) at 2pm-3pm. All are welcome to join the group for this time of prayer.

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Piety Stall: We stock gifts and cards for all the Sacraments. If you don't see it please ask.

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

Gift Aid & Planned Giving Envelopes: envelopes for the 2026/27 tax year are available for collection in the porch. They should be used from this Sunday 12th April 2026. If you have any Blue 2025/26 envelopes left, please could you destroy them, as they should not be used in the new tax year. Thank you.

Mass Intentions: There has been a drop in the number of Mass Intention requests coming in over the last few months. Remember that the Mass is the most powerful prayer, so if you know someone in need of prayer, why not have a Mass said for them? There are envelopes available at the back of church for you to add your intention and donation. Please hand in to the office, or post through the presbytery door.

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 25th April.

St Ann's

Children's Liturgy: There will be Children's Liturgy today (12th). Please note that Children's Liturgy is aimed at children up to the age of 8. ALSO, we are looking for more volunteers to lead the Children's Liturgy sessions, so if you'd like to volunteer, please speak to Karolina or Julie, or email the parish. Thank you.

Tuesday Coffee Morning: Please join us on Tuesdays after Mass for coffee & chat, as well as knitting and crocheting for anyone interested (teaching is available for beginners) and some basic Salsa for those who like a bit of gentle exercise! All welcome.

Thank You: John and Roisin English and family would like to thank everyone for their love, support and prayers, which have sustained them greatly through this difficult time.

Crowning of Mary: This ceremony will take place at the start of the 5pm Mass on Saturday 9th May. Fr Louis would love to see as many children there as possible!

'Thank You' Party for our Volunteers: If you volunteer in any capacity at St Ann's, you are warmly invited to join us on Saturday 25th April at 7:30pm for a little get together with drinks and nibbles, as our way of thanking you for all that you do. Please email the parish if you are able to join us, as it would help to have an idea of numbers. Thank you.

Piety Stall: There are now items on the Piety Stall for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Grab them whilst you can! Please pay either by cash in the 'Cards' slot or by using the Piety option on the DONA machine.

SVP: If you would like to join the SVP and help us in our mission of befriending and helping those in need, please pick up a form from the porch, fill it in and just drop it in the collection basket. If you know of someone who might appreciate a visit (regular or occasional), please contact Kevin on 07504 130749.

Churches Together Cheadle Hulme: After a very successful concert last year, the Poynton Brass Band are returning on May 9th to coincide with the start of Christian Aid week. Venue at the Methodist Church with a 19.30 start. News on how to buy tickets to follow.

Rosary Before the Weekend Masses: We would be very grateful for any new volunteers to lead the Rosary, starting at 4:30pm before the Saturday Mass or 10:30am before the Sunday Mass. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact Julie or email the parish. Thank you.

St Ann's Bridge Club: We are a very friendly group of mixed ability who meet on Wednesday mornings in the Parish Room from 9:30 to 12noon. There is also teaching available for complete beginners. We would welcome anyone who'd like to come along and see how it works (no pressure to join)

Other Local & Diocesan Events and News

Day of Divine Mercy at Our Lady's and the Apostles: will be held today Sunday 12th April at Our Lady's Church. The church will be open from 2pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions will be from 2pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3pm and the Holy Sacrifice of Mass will be celebrated at 3:30pm.

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026: The Pilgrimage Team are very pleased to announce that bookings are now open for our 2026 75th Anniversary Pilgrimage to Lourdes. By coach 30 July to 7 August and by air 31 July to 6 August. Brochures can be found on the pilgrimage website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be holding our first 2026 Hospitality Members Focus Group on Tuesday 21st April, at 7pm. This will be open to any Hospitality members, even if you haven't attended previous Focus Groups. We will be encouraged to review the commitments made last year to improve our way of working with each other. We are also delighted that Fr Sean Henry, Chaplain to the Hospitality, will join us. This will take place at St Columba's, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1PL. Please confirm your attendance by emailing secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk

Holy Mass and Healing Service: led by Fr Michael Payyapilly VC from the Divine Retreat Centre Pantasaph. April 18th 2026 6.30pm-9pm at St Anthony RC Church, Dunkery Road, Woodhouse Park, Wythenshawe, M22 0WR. For more information contact Annette 07767 014130.

Marriage and Family Life Ministry Retreat Day: "For all those interested in supporting the Vocation of Marriage and Family you are invited to attend our Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Ministry (MFL) Retreat Day to help you find out more about what is involved and what help is needed. There will be presentations on the Mission of Marriage, a Reflection on the Book of Tobit and Holy Mass at Midday. 18th April 2026 at St. John Vianney Parish Hall, St Wilfrid's Church, Witton Street Northwich Cheshire, CW9 5NP. 9.30am-4.00pm Please Register with Monika Golembiewska monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Vacancies: Two vacancies have arisen within the Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team for a **Programme Coordinator** and **Youth Mission Team Member**. Further details regarding both posts can be found on the Diocesan Website. <https://www>. Interested parties should send their CV and covering letter to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@ **Closing date Friday 29 April 2026.**

Prayer for Divine Mercy Sunday: O God of infinite mercy, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, we come before You with humble hearts, trusting in Your boundless love. Through the passion, death, and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You have opened the floodgates of mercy for all humanity. We pray with the words You gave to St. Faustina: "JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU." Grant us the grace to accept Your mercy, to share it with others, and to live as instruments of Your peace. Forgive our sins, heal our wounds, and draw us closer to Your Sacred Heart. Bless the world with Your compassion, especially those who suffer, those who doubt, and those who have strayed. May Your Divine Mercy renew the earth and lead all souls to the joy of Your eternal kingdom. We offer this prayer through Christ our Lord, in union with the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen!

Holy Father's prayer intention for April: For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Baptisms: For children under 7 years of age: Both parents must attend an evening course before the baptism of their child. The next course will be Thursday 7 May 2026 at St Ann's at 7pm. You must book a place by emailing stannsheadleholme@gmail.com.

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.

St Chad's: Please pray for Noel Fowler and all those who are sick. We pray for all those who have died recently. We also remember: Josephine Scully, Taylor Hogan, Mary Flannery, Kitty Watts, Annie Kelsall, Patricia Bell, Daniel Creamer, Bridget Dolan, Mark Stephenson, Francis Birch, Kath Coleman, Thomas Sheridan, Eric Adshead, Margaret Rennison, Mary Whealing, Eugene Lennon, Josephine Mairs, Donald Mackay, Mary Foster, 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, Brenda McNicholls, The Dickinson Family, Effy Hull (aged 6), Luigi Stefanelli, Gerry McKendry, Jill Harper, Ian Burnett, John & Roisin England, Pat O'Dell and all those 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 at about this time

Christ Church: Please pray for Anne Byrne, Caroline O'Sullivan, Ann Lyth, Pat Whitehead, Leo Byrne, David Kersys, Gerard Lanigan and all who are ill. Please pray for Vera Briggs, Michael Flatley and all those who have died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.