



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT ST FRANCIS CHURCH

Every Friday from 11.00 am – 12 noon
and after Mass until 3.00 pm
Also Saturday from 11.00 am – 12 noon

OUR DIVINE MERCY PRAYER MEETING

Is held every Wednesday at 3.00 pm



Please let us remember our sick parishioners in our prayers :

Angela Crowe, Terry Halpin, Arthur Wright, Kath Heffernan, Barbara Edwards, Kevin Roberts, Margaret Davis, Hilary Linty, Patrick Hannah, Elle Mae Dunne, Elaine Bruce, George Jones, Colin Williams, Cristopher Browne, Gill Wright Christina North, Emma Noble, Marie Charlesworth, Veronica Comerford, Julia Milan and Eleanor Milan.

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday 9th Feb Vigil Mass | 6.30 | Maciej & Bogumila Rutkocjczy Intention |
| Sunday 10th Feb | 8.00 | Parishioners |
| | 9.45 | Mother and Father of Ann |
| POLISH MASS | 12.00 | Intention of Donor |
| | 4.30 | Intention of Donor |
| Mon 11th Feb | 12.00 | Paula Marshall |
| Tue 12th Feb | 12.00 | The Wilbraham Family |
| Wed 13th Feb | 12.00 | Friars and Benefactors |
| Thu 14th Feb | 12.00 | Thanksgiving for Blessings |
| Fri 15th Feb | 12.00 | Pious Union |
| Sat 16th Feb | 12.00 | Patrick's continued Recovery |

THE ROSARY

The custom of praying the Rosary as a family is strongly encouraged, even if it is just to say one decade. In our Parish, the rosary is recited at 11:30 a.m., Monday to Thursday, and all are welcome to join in.

COLLECTION

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| Collection | 482.35 |
| Gift Aid | 390.90 |
| Total | 873.25 |



Prayers are requested for those whose anniversaries occur this week - May they rest in peace

10.2 Winifred Davies (1996), Michael O'Sullivan (1996),
10.2 Tony McHugh (1978) - 12.2 Francis Neal (1996) -
13.2 Eileen Patricia Barlow (2010) - 16.2 Terry Cunniffe (2016)

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI NEWSLETTER



Brs Jarek (Guardian) Patrick (Vicar) Adrian – Jim- Jinson - Andrzej
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10 February 2019
Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8 ; Psalm 137 ;
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 ; Luke 5:1-11

St FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHESTER
VIGIL MASS
SATURDAY 6.30 pm
SUNDAY
8.00 AM AND 9.45 AM
MASS IN POLISH
12 Noon & 4.30 pm
WEEKDAYS
12 noon

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Friday and Saturday
11.00 am – 12 noon
and Saturday
4.00 – 4.30 pm

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‘Leave me Lord, I am a sinful man.’ What happened to Peter is what happens to us. When we recognise our own sinfulness the power of Christ becomes available to enrich us, so that we can offer ourselves to God, faults and all. The discovery of our spiritual poverty opens our souls to receive what God is offering and awakens us to an awareness of his call. We should not be looking for God in strange places because he speaks to us in ordinary situations where he finds us, in the humdrum bits and pieces of our every day experiences. We are more likely to hear his call in our pain than in our plenty. When we discover the hand of God at work in our lives, the impossible becomes possible. The challenge facing all of us is to detect the voice of God in our lives and to have the courage and generosity to answer promptly. God expects us to share in his work of spreading his love and mercy. Peter offers an inspiring example in leaving his nets to become a fisher of men. Up to this time, he was engrossed in his own work. Lurching out into the deep meant putting his faith and trust in Jesus who was directing him on a new pathway in life. Jesus wants us to go through life with our hand in his hand. There will be times when we are called to take a new direction and face unknown. Our response should be no less generous than Peter's if we are to meet the challenge of the vocation to which we are called.

During Ordinary time (Winter) and up to Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions : Peace on Earth ; Christian Unity ; The Sick and those who care for them ; Victims of Trafficking and those who work to combat it ; The Unemployed.

Feast Days

Sunday 10th February St. Scholastica c480-540
Monday 11th February Our Lady Of Lourdes
World Day of Prayer for the Sick
Thursday 14th February Ss. Cyril (Monk) and Methodius (Bishop)

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE S.F.O. WILL BE ON SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2019 AT 2.15 PM IN THE FRIARY.

HOSPITAL MASS The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 7th March 2019 at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester hospital Chapel.

The Carmelite Monastery of The Annunciation invites you to
The Solemn Profession Of Sister Maria Graziella of Jesus Crucified, icd Monday, March 25th at 11.00am.

Celebrant The Right Reverend Mark Davies Bishop of Shrewsbury All are warmly welcome to join with the community in thanking Almighty God, for this grace-filled day Refreshments will be available after the Ceremony

A prayerful reflection on "**The Humanity of Christ**" is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held on **Sat 16 February 2019**. Fr Michael Coughlan will lead the day which starts at 9.30am and finishes around 4.30pm ish. The venue is Sacred Heart and St Peter church, Southmoor Rd, Baguley, South Manchester M23 1HP. Payment by anonymous donation (suggested cost £10). Please contact Siobhan Cartwright for further details (siobhanbc@gmail.com/ tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947). The venue is near Wythenshawe Hospital and Manchester airport

Darwin and the Invisible Gardener: Perspectives on Science and Faith

Monday 18th February, 2019 at 19:00 at Shrewsbury Cathedral, Town Walls

A lecture on the impact of Darwin's work on beliefs about divine action, and how this impact shapes our understanding of science and faith today.

FR ANDREW PINSENT is Research Director of the Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion at the University of Oxford. Formerly a particle physicist on the DELPHI experiment at CERN, he has degrees in philosophy and theology and a second doctorate in philosophy. The lecture will be 45 minutes long with a 15 minute questions and answers session at the end. Refreshments will be available at 8pm at the Orchard Cafe which is part of the Cathedral. Free entry

The Diocese of Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitalite will be celebrating the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes** with mass at 3.30pm on Sunday 10th February at St Hugh and St John RC Church, 314 Manchester Road, Timperley WA14 5NB. (Please use the postcode WA14 5HL for the car park)

GROUPS THAT MEET IN OUR PARISH

The Rosary is said in the Church: **Monday to Thursday, 11:30am.**

WEEKLY

Scripture Group: Monday 7pm in the friary

Divine Mercy Prayer Group - Wednesday, 3pm, in the Church.

****Journey in Faith (RCIA)** Group:** Wednesday at 6.45pm –

Young Adults' Prayer Group - Friday 6.30 pm in the Church

Parish Coffee Morning - Sunday after 9.45 Mass

Prayer Group - **Thursday evenings at 6.30 pm in the Friary**

MONTHLY

Monday Club: 1st Monday of the month at 2pm

*******Secular Franciscans:** 1st Sunday of the month, 2:15pm (Friary) –

Catholic Women's League: 2nd Monday of the month (Hall), 7:30pm (1pm - winter).

SPUC group: 3rd Wednesday, 7:30pm. Meetings to be held at their new venue.

NOTICE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

TO BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY

Church Cleaning Rota
Team A – 14 Feb
Team B – 21 Feb
Team C – 28 Feb
Team D – 7 Mar

Time for Jesus – Friday 1st March 2019

It will begin at 11.00 am with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation then at 12 noon there will be Holy Eucharist followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament which will be held until 9.00 pm. During this time there will be: Midday Prayer of the church after Mass ; Divine Mercy Prayer at 3.00 pm following by the Holy Rosary ; Mass in Polish at 6.30 pm. All the time there will be a Priest available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation
At 9pm a group of parishioners will continue with prayer and readings in the small Chapel behind the main altar until 1am. All are welcome.

Headteacher Vacancy - Saint Mary's, Congleton

The Local Governing Body is looking to recruit a new Headteacher for their primary school. If you know of a practising and committed Catholic with the right skills who might be interested in leading the school, they would be very welcome to arrange an informal visit in the first instance. This can be arranged by calling the school on: 01260 274690. All information and documentation relating to the role is available on the school website: <http://www.saintmaryscongleton.co.uk/work-with-us/>. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 27th February.

Caritas Shrewsbury currently has 2 vacancies for Family Support Workers (Wythenshawe and Shropshire). Both positions are part-time, and a great opportunity for the right person. For further details and an Application Pack, please contact us: www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk ('Job Vacancies' can be found under the 'News' Section) / Tel: 0151 652 1281 / info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk