

Theological Symposium on Synodality

The symposium will take place at Saint Mary's College, Oscott College from Friday March 11th to Saturday March 12th, 2022. A link can be found on the Oscott College homepage (www.oscott.net) to a registration page on Eventbrite for the proposed symposium entitled "Exploring the Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission,". The event is in collaboration with St Mary's University, Twickenham and will afford an opportunity to explore the teaching of the Church through an academic and theological lens. It is open to all but would very much suit anyone with an academic or theological interest. Booking link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/exploring-the-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission-tickets-160596058133>

The Apostles Creed

*I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.*

Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies

"As we begin this new year, we pray for all who may be considering an abortion. We pray that 2022 would see a decrease in cases of abortion, and instead a year of increased support, both practical and emotional, from all of us in society, bettering the care for all expectant mothers. Lord hear us".

Please Pray for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East

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2nd January, 2022 – The Second Sunday after Christmas **Mass Times & Intentions**

Saturday 1st – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	Deceased members of the Van Steene Family
Sunday 2nd – The Second Sunday after Christmas	9.00 am	The Parishioners
	10.30 am	Rebeka Hill
Monday 3rd	10.00 am	Elizabeth Carroll
Tuesday 4th	10.00 am	Intentions of Katherine & Cameron Craigie
Wednesday 5th	10.00 am	Ian Morton
Thursday 6th – The Epiphany of the Lord	10.00 am	The Parishioners
Friday 7th	10.00 am	Private Intention (A & K)
Saturday 8th - Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Sunday 9th – The Baptism of the Lord	9.00 am	One deceased (E)
	10.30 am	Celebrant's Intention

Please Note

- Church open daily for private prayer after Mass until late afternoon.
- Face coverings are now mandatory in church unless you have an exemption.

Coronavirus Restrictions & Guidance – Mandatory Face Coverings

In response to the risks of the Omicron variant, please note that the government recently announced that from Friday 10 December 2021, there is now a requirement to wear face coverings in places of worship. You are therefore now required to wear a face covering in church unless you have an exemption. Further information at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own>

In addition, our Diocese stresses the following points are followed in our churches with respect to the current situation with the omicron variant:

- That people displaying any symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person.
- That hand sanitiser is used for those attending the Church.

The church will maintain good ventilation and air throughout the building.

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

The recent collection raised £241.04. Thank you for your generosity.

Offering Collections over the Christmas Masses

Father Anthony is most grateful for all of your generous Christmas offerings over the Christmas Masses.

Christmas Cards

Thank you for your support by buying our charity Christmas cards which raised £152.06 for Aid to the Church in Need.

Food Link, Colshaw

Thank you for your recent generous donations of food. They have been gratefully received. Sadly, the need continues – could you help to donate food to those struggling? We are very grateful to receive the following food donations: dried pasta, pasta sauces, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, and tinned foods (pies, soups, beans, fruit, veg, meat, fish, etc.). Please leave any donations in the box at the back of church.

Church Heaters

Unfortunately, several of our heaters in church are currently down and we do not yet have a date when they can be repaired. In light of the current requirement for good ventilation and air throughout the church; and owing to the current winter conditions, it would be wise if parishioners wrap up well in church! We apologise for this inconvenience.

Pilgrimage to the Medjugorje Youth Festival from 2nd to 9th August 2022

Fr Tony McGrath (parish priest of St Benedict's, Handforth) is holding a meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19th January at Christ Church in Heald Green for those who want to hear more about this pilgrimage for 18-35 year olds, and under 18's are also welcome if accompanied by a parent(s). Parents of all the young people are welcome to the meeting. You can also register your interest by emailing Fr Tony at christchurchhg@yahoo.co.uk

Confirmation 2022

Bishop Mark will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saint Vincent's Church, Knutsford on Thursday 12th May 2022. There will be more details later, but any young person wishing to be confirmed is asked to advise Father Anthony or Deacon Michael as soon as possible.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK Statement on the Nationality and Borders Bill

Copies of the Statement on the Nationality and Borders Bill prepared by the Catholic Social Action Network, of which Caritas Diocese of is a member are available at the back of church. A message from Ben Gilchrist, the Director of Caritas Shrewsbury writes: "Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury lead our Diocesan response to refugees and people seeking asylum and have been supporting campaigning work on this Bill. I know they would greatly value hearing from you about the actions suggested in this statement and how they can support this work at a parish level. To discuss this work please do get in touch with me using the contact details below."

Email: Ben.gilchrist@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk Telephone: 07824 329 344

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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th – 25th January 2022

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 was chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches: 'We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him. (Mt 2:2)'. The Churches Together in Cheshire Service will be held at 3.00 pm on Saturday 22nd January at Chester Cathedral. Materials may be obtained from <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

Greater Manchester Churches Together (GMCT) - Churches Together Facilitator

Are you inspired by the vision of Christians of different traditions working together? Are you a great networker, solution-finder and administrator? If so, this post may be for you. £22, 481 p.a., 22.5 hours a week (we are willing consider an appointment for £17, 485 for 17.5 hours a week) 6% employer pension contribution; home based, each successful applicant will be a lay or ordained member in good standing of a church eligible for membership of Greater Manchester Churches Together or of another intermediary body of Churches Together in England. Full details available here www.gmct.org.uk (please note; dates on website have not been altered from a previous interview round and are to be ignored). Closing date for applications: 17:00 – 10th January 2022. Interviews will be held on 8th February 2022. These will take place at: Wardley Hall, Wardley Hall Road, Salford. M28 2ND. An Occupational Requirement exists for the postholder to be a Christian in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.