

### 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.*

**St. Teresa's Living Flame Prayer Group: Every Wednesday** We meet in the parish hall between 11.15 am and 12.15 pm for prayer, scripture, intentions, rosary and music. All are most welcome to join us. For further information please contact: Marcelle Perch Tel: 07776343499; Mary Robinson Tel: 07505127451

**Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies** "Let us pray for our politicians and decision-makers, that they would always strive to protect all human life and human dignity from the point of conception till natural death. Lord hear us".

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### 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 – The Second Sunday of Advent Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday of Advent	9.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
	10.30 am	Celebrant's Intention
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	John & Catherine Coyne
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> – St. Lucy	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> – St. John of the Cross	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	The Parishioners
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday of Advent	9.00 am	Celebrant's Intention
	10.30 am	Celebrant's Intention

#### Please Note

- Confession available on request after any Mass – please ask Father Anthony.

### **Use of the Parish Car Park**

Just a reminder that use of the parish car park during Mass times is for the use of parishioners attending Mass only and no other purpose. Thank you.

### **Bollington Fun Run 2023**

The Bollington CAFOD Fun Run is back again this year on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2023 start 11.00 a.m. The Fun Run will start from the Middlewood Way next to St Gregory's Parish Hall. Those who register online to take part can pick up their running numbers, from the Parish Hall, from 10.00 a.m. If you cannot register online there will be registration available on the day in the Parish Hall. So that you don't miss out please visit the website page below, click "Sign up now", register your place (remember to check the Bollington Fun Run box where requested) and make your donation at:

<https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/sponsored-challenge-events/run-for-cafod/christmas-fun-run>

The website also gives you the option to sign up for a virtual 5K if for some reason you are unable to join us this year. If you are raising sponsorship from friends and family, there is a sponsorship form attached.

Suggestions for your donation are:

- £10.00 per adult (£20.00 for a family) • £5.00 for under 16s.

Since 2011, wonderful runners and walkers - of all ages and abilities - have had fun and through donations and sponsorship raised over £48,000 for CAFOD. With your help we can break the £50,000 limit this year.

### **Another 50 Catholic Churches to see before you die**

Bishop Mark writes, "I include information received concerning this new publication by Elena Curti about historic Catholic churches. This sequel includes three of our own diocesan churches: Shrewsbury Cathedral, Saints Peter, Paul and Philomena, New Brighton, and English Martyrs, Wallasey."

For more information, please visit <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/another-fifty-catholic-churches-to-see-before-you-die/>

### **Lourdes Hospitality Update**

Further to the recent AGM, the officers have been meeting monthly to discuss the issues raised and future plans. A face-to-face meeting for all members will be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (venue and time to be confirmed). In the meantime, if you have any questions for us, please send an email to: [secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk](mailto:secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk)

### **Food Donations & Children's Christmas Selection Boxes Appeal**

We would be most grateful to receive the following donations of food, particularly for those families struggling at Christmas at Hope Central Food Bank, Handforth. **(We are also grateful to receive children's chocolate selection boxes at this time of year for the children for Christmas).**

Food Donations we are grateful for: Tinned foods (meat, pies, soups, beans, tomatoes, fruit, veg, etc), microwavable rice, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits and also nappies). Please leave any donations in the box at the back of church. Alternatively, you may like to offer a financial contribution to the parish, who will then use your donation to buy food in bulk for the Food Bank. (Any cheques may be made payable to "Sacred Heart & St. Teresa's Church").

### **CARITAS at Christmas Appeal 2023**

Last weekend's retiring collection raised £350. Thank you for your generosity.

### **The Catholic Union**

**Deputy Director of the Catholic Union, James Somerville-Meikle, writes:**

*"People often ask how many Catholic MPs there are at Westminster. For a straightforward question, the answer is not that simple. While around 60 or 70 MPs could claim to be Catholic in some way, the number of MPs prepared to talk about their faith and put those words into action consistently could probably be counted on both hands. But as with many things in life, it is the quality and not the quantity that counts. We have been blessed with some excellent Catholic MPs over the years, including Sir Edward Leigh, who stood down as our President this week after almost 10 years of service. It is also worth remembering that there are some very fine Catholic parliamentarians in the House of Lords. This includes our new President, Baroness Hollins. The Catholic Union has always been fortunate in being able to count on the support of parliamentarians in both Houses of Parliament. With a new session of Parliament underway and a General Election on the horizon, that support will be needed all the more in the year ahead as we face challenges new and old. Catholic lay men and women have always stood up when it matters. Let's pray that continues."*

### **St Teresa's Senior Citizens Christmas Party 2023 – Please RSVP As Soon As Possible**

We will be holding our annual Senior Citizens Christmas Party next Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December in the parish hall. Please RSVP as soon as possible. If you have inadvertently been missed off the list or are new to the parish, please let Father Anthony know.