

Cantores Oecumenica are presenting a World Premier of a collaborative 'Stabat Mater' (in English), entry being free but a voluntary retiring collection. Lyrics by Neil Provost and music by Robert Steadman. All are welcome. The work is being dedicated to the Mothers of Ukraine, which is appropriate at this time. ALL Donations, via the retiring collection, will be for the '2022 War Crisis Appeal' at <https://www.ukrainecharity.org> Details are 4pm on Sunday 10th April 2022 at Holy Angels, Wicker Lane, Hale Barns WA15 0HF. <http://cantoresoec.org/>

St. John Paul II used this prayer to ask for Our Lady's mantle to be spread over all the people of Ukraine.

*O Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Zarvaniza,
I thank you for the gift of my visit to the Kyivan Rus'
from where the light of the Gospel spread through this whole region.*

*Here before your miraculous icon,
kept in this church of Saint Nicholas,
I entrust to you, Mother of God and Mother of the Church,
my apostolic journey to Ukraine.*

*Holy Mother of God,
spread your maternal mantle over all Christians
and over all people of good will
who live in this great nation.*

*Lead them to your Son, Jesus,
who is for everyone the way, the truth and the life.*

St. Teresa's Living Flame Prayer Group: Every Wednesday during Lent

We will 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

Lenten Lunches Churches together in Wilmslow are holding a series of lunches on Tuesdays which started on 8 March from 12.00 to 1.30. They will all be in the Dean Row Chapel hall, Chapel Road (SK9 2BX). Donations to Christian Aid.

Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies

"As we celebrate Mothering Sunday, we pray for all mothers who are pregnant. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities, as they journey through this life-changing experience. Lord hear us"

Please Pray for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East

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27th March, 2022 – The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 26th – Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	Celebrant's Intention
Sunday 27th – 4th Sunday of Lent	9.00 am	The Parishioners
	10.30 am	Tony Van Steene
Monday 28th	10.00 am	In Honour of St. Joseph
Tuesday 29th	10.00 am	Intentions of Madeleine Van Steene
Wednesday 30th	10.00 am	Frank Doyle
Thursday 31st	10.00 am	Requiem Mass for Frank Doyle
Friday 1st	5.00 pm	Helen Van Steene
Saturday 2nd - Vigil Mass	6.30 pm	Celebrant's Intention
Sunday 3rd – 5th Sunday of Lent	9.00 am	The Parishioners
	10.30 am	Intentions of Serra

Please Note

- Mass on Friday 1st April will be at the later time of 5.00 pm in the evening.
- Stations of the Cross during Lent will now take place every Friday after 10 am Mass.
- Confession available on request after any Mass – please ask Father Anthony

Parish Hall Not Available next Sunday (3rd April) Please note that the parish hall will not be available after Mass next Sunday owing to a meeting of Serra.

Digital Magnificat Free over Holy Week & April

We are pleased to let you know that the digital Holy Week and April issues are available, free, at the following link: www.magnificat.com/april

Attention All Gift Aid Donors The current Tax Year 2021/22 will end on the 5th April 2022 and the Parish will then claim back from the Inland Revenue the tax rebate due on your Gift Aid donations. If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay income tax (or if for any other reason you do not wish to remain in the Gift Aid scheme) please let Fr. Anthony or Michael Marsden know via the parish email or phone number by 5th April, otherwise it will be assumed you have paid sufficient income tax during the current tax year. Please also inform Michael if your surname or address has changed. **PLEASE NOTE NEW ENVELOPES FOR THE NEW TAX YEAR FOR CURRENT DONORS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION IN THE CHURCH PORCH.**

How to sign up to Gift Aid & Church Offertory Giving Options If you pay tax and you give to the Church, have you signed a Gift Aid form? Gift Aid only involves giving your name and address on a Gift Aid declaration form and agreeing to make your Offertory donations either by weekly Offertory Envelope, by monthly Banker's Standing Order or by Annual Cheque. No details about your wage, salary or occupation are required. Gift Aid costs you nothing extra but the Parish can claim a tax refund on the money you give and the Inland Revenue gives the Parish 25p for every £1 that you donate. There is no minimum amount or a fixed amount, you don't have to give every week, you can stop and restart donations according to personal circumstances. **BUT you must be paying tax on your income because the Parish is claiming a refund on the tax that you have paid.** If you would like to join the Gift Aid scheme, please contact Michael Marsden via the parish email or phone number. **If you are not able to gift aid your donation, you can still donate to the church by standing order. Again, please contact Michael for further information.**

Medjugorje Youth Festival - from 2nd to 9th August 2022 led by Fr Tony McGrath. £645, return flights from Manchester Airport, 7 nights accommodation close to St James Church, full programme with Joe Walsh Tours and Breakfast and Dinner each day. This pilgrimage is for 18-35 year olds, and families with under 18's are also welcome. There is an **information evening at Christ Church, 98 Finney Lane, Heald Green, SK8 3DY at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th April.** For more information or to register interest please email Fr Tony at christchurchhg@yahoo.co.uk

Christ Church Heald Green: Parish Mission for Lent 2022

The Parish Mission in Lent will be led by John Pridmore. Each evening will last about one hour. Invite your family and friends to attend so we can welcome them to the mission.

Monday 28th March at 7.30 pm: God's Love: The amazing story of John Pridmore

Tuesday 29th March at 7.30 pm: God's Mercy: A chance to meet Jesus personally

Wednesday 30th March at 7.30 pm: God's Healing: Healing service (miracles abound)

Consecration to the Immaculate Heart Of Mary

Pope Francis announced his intention to consecrate Russia and the Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This took place on Friday, the Solemnity of the Annunciation and was made throughout our parishes – copies of the text of the Act of Consecration by Pope Francis are available in the church porch. **There will be a pastoral letter from Bishop Mark read out this weekend marking this Act of Consecration. Copies of his letter will also be available in the porch.**

Our Response to the Refugee Crisis

Bishop Mark writes, *"We are presently witnessing a refugee crisis in Europe greater than any seen since the Second World War. Caritas International, represented by CAFOD in our own country, is active in the provision of aid in the countries now receiving this vast and tragic exodus. I know there has already been a tremendous response from our own parishes to the appeals being co-ordinated by the Emergencies Committee. I am also grateful for the generous offers of help and various suggestions received this past week as the UK begins its response to the humanitarian challenge of housing refugees. I appreciate the frustration and impatience of many of my correspondents who see little happening in practical terms. I only hope what appears to be the slowness of the UK's response might arise from a desire to care for the refugees and the considerable needs of those who will eventually come to us following the trauma and upheaval of war. Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury with its experience of working with refugees from Syria and Afghanistan is in conversation with the Catholic Social Action Network as to how we can most effectively respond in the weeks and months ahead. Individuals who are already offering to host refugee families through the Government's matching and homesforukraine scheme are advised to link with an organisation with refugee experience. The CSAN Ukraine Toolkit is being continuously updated and this is the link":* <https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine>

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Our next experiences are: 1) On-line Saturdays – 14 and 21 May 2022; 2) Non-Resident experience on the 11-12 June 2022 located in: Savio House Near Macclesfield, The Barn, Savio House, Ingeresly Road, Bollington, Cheshire SK10 5RW.

The Marriage Encounter Experience offers the opportunity to refresh, enrich, deepen and bring love back into all relationships. The experience offers precious quality time to support lifelong relationships, personal and spiritual growth, all in a Catholic faith context. The programme is delivered by experienced laity couples and a priest and is supported by the Bishops Conference. Full details of these experiences can be found on our website: <https://wwme.org.uk>

Food Link, Colshaw: Urgent Appeal There has been a shortage of food at Colshaw for those who are struggling. If you are able to help, we would be 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.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Lent Appeal

The recent appeal raised £371.38. Thank you for your generosity.