

Contacting Us: All Parishes

If you require assistance from a member of the clergy, please speak to them before or after Mass. The parish email for all three churches is wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com and the office number is 01625-533-268. For the Sacrament of Marriage – please see Fr Tony at least six months before the wedding date.

Contacting St. Pius X, Alderley Edge & St. Teresa’s Wilmslow

For the Sacrament of Reconciliation – on request or as noted in the newsletter.
 For the Sacrament of Baptism - Please speak to Father Tony or Father Moses after any Mass. Baptisms take place on Saturdays at 12 noon.
 For the Newsletter – please email the parish using the address above.


Contacting St. Benedict’s Handforth

There is a contact list in the Church entrance for all enquiries.
 St Benedict’s Catholic Primary School: 01625 520207
 For the Sacrament of Reconciliation – on request after the 5.30 pm Sunday Mass.
 For the Sacrament of Baptism - Deacon Tom Chrisp is available after the 10 am Sunday Mass. He can also be contacted by telephone (M: 07925 072270). Baptisms take place after the Sunday 10 am Mass.
 For the Newsletter – please email the parish using the address above.

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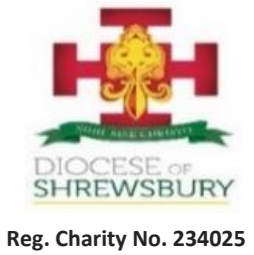
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 St. Benedict’s RC Church, Hall Road, Handforth, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 3AD
 Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s Church, Green Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 1LD



**PARISHES OF
 ST. PIUS X, ALDERLEY EDGE,
 ST. BENEDICT’S, HANDFORTH &
 SACRED HEART & ST. TERESA’S, WILMSLOW**



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr. Tony McGrath / Assistant Priest: Fr. Moses Ibeh
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Sunday 6th April, 2025: The Fifth Sunday of Lent

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 5 th Apr	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 6 th Apr <i>The 5th Sunday of Lent</i>	9.00 am <i>Peter Jones</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> Stations of the Cross 4.45pm 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>Christopher Mould RIP</i>
Monday 7 th Apr	No Mass	11.30 am <i>Requiem: Veronica Cleary</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Tuesday 8 th Apr	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Mary McCarthy RIP</i> 12 pm <i>Requiem Mass: Susan Kirby</i>	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	No Mass <i>The Chosen (5th of 5) in St Teresa’s Hall 7 - 8 pm</i>
Wednesday 9 th Apr	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i> Prayer Group 11.15 – 12.15 Adoration with Confessions & Benediction, 7-8 pm
Thursday 10 th Apr	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	11 am <i>Requiem Mass: Kathleen Parr</i>
Friday 11 th Apr	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Vocations to the Priesthood</i>	Stations of the Cross 7 pm	No Mass
Saturday 12 th Apr	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 13 th Apr <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord</i>	9.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> Stations of the Cross 4.45pm 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>

Advance notice of funerals - Let us pray for those in our parishes who have recently died

Veronica Cleary RIP at St Benedict's at 11.30am on Monday 7th April

Susan Kirby RIP at St Pius X at 12pm on Tuesday 8th April

Kathleen Parr RIP at Sacred Heart & St Teresa on Thursday 10th April at 11am

St Joseph's Football Tournament

St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine in Stockport is holding a men's football tournament on Bank Holiday Monday 26th May (9.30am to 3pm) to raise much needed restoration funds. Our three churches in Alderley Edge, Handforth, and Wilmslow have been invited to join together to form a team of seven players plus the parish priest, a referee, and three stewards willing to support on the day. The event will be held at Cheadle Catholic School in Cheadle Hulme. This is an event for all the family with drink refreshments, an inflatable, face painting etc.. What better way to spend a Bank Holiday supporting your parish - bring a picnic and support your parish. More details to follow. If you would be able to volunteer as a player, referee or steward, please email wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com giving your name and role **before Sunday 4th May**.



St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

Good Friday Procession through Alderley Edge: Churches Together in Alderley Ecumenical Good Friday Walk of Witness, starting with a service at Alderley Edge Methodist Church at 10.30 am and walking through the village to St Philip & St James, accompanied by the Bishop of Chester. All are welcome.

New Gift Aid Envelopes for the new tax year for current donors are now available for collection.

Food Bank Thank you for your continued support. Items can be left in the box in the church porch. Donations are taken to the food bank in Brownley Green in Wythenshawe. Please note no perishable foods. Thank you.



St. Benedict's Handforth Notices

Help required - Is there parishioner who would be able to prepare and manage the Easter fire at this year's Easter Vigil (Saturday 19th April)? We do have a stand and one parishioner has kindling wood. Please email wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com if you can help.

Urgent Need: Befrienders The CAP debt centre in partnership with Hope Central meets with people who are in debt in their homes and leads them on the journey to becoming debt free. The team of debt coaches also have a team of volunteers, known as befrienders, who attend visits with the debt coaches to build friendships with the clients. We are looking to expand the Befriender team and are asking for people who are willing to be a friend and listen. If anyone is willing and available to help they can contact the debt centre's admin support; Simon Heal via email [simonheal@capuk.org]

FOODBANK items Collection for Foodbank and 'My pantry,' Saturdays between 10.00 - 11.00 - St Benedict's Church car park. Priority foodbank items, please help if you can: Tinned Meat, spaghetti hoops, Jars of sandwich paste, toilet rolls, Long life milk, packet soups, tinned Ravioli, tea, NB – no perishable foods. You can also donate direct to the Foodbank (side door at St Chads) from 11.00 - 12.00 on weekdays except Tuesday.



St. Teresa's Wilmslow Notices

Wilmslow churches' joint service this Sunday 6th April at 6pm, hosted by the Methodist Church This is especially to hear Robert Dixon, Principal of Operation Restoration Christian School, Trenchtown, Jamaica, talk about the work of giving young Jamaicans the opportunity to avoid a life of crime.

New Gift Aid Envelopes for the new tax year for current donors are now available for collection in the church porch. Please also note your number may have changed owing to general housekeeping/tidying.

FOODBANK Please see Hope Central collection times & needed items above. (Items can also be left in porch box).

Celebrating the Jubilee Year for Easter 2025

in the Catholic Parishes of St Pius X, St Benedict, Sacred Heart & St Teresa.

Easter Season (Easter 20th April; Pentecost 8th June)

Easter Vigil - This year we will have one celebration of the Easter Vigil for the three churches to be held at St Benedict's at 8.30 pm. Times for the Sacred Triduum services will be published in next week's newsletter.

'The Joy of the Lord is my Strength' (Nehemiah 8:10) a Holy Hour with live worship music and Scripture readings on Sunday 4th May at St Benedict's Catholic Church at 7pm.

The Feast of Our Lady of Fatima on Tuesday 13th May at Sacred Heart and St Teresa, 7pm to 9pm - beginning with the celebration of Holy Mass including a longer homily on the events and message of Fatima, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Rosary, and individual veneration of the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco.

A Marian Procession on Sunday 18th May at St Benedict's - to the shrine of Our Lady with devotions, immediately following the 10am Mass.

A Day Pilgrimage to Shrewsbury Cathedral on Thursday 22nd May Confessions from 11am, Pilgrim Mass 12.15pm followed by lunch in the Cathedral's Orchard Café, Cathedral Tour 2pm, Jubilee Pilgrim Liturgy 3pm. Booking is essential by 13th April. The £13 cost includes lunch. The choice of lunch menu and booking forms are in the sacristy of each church. Book your own return train journey to Shrewsbury at 9.47am.

Other Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

Churches Together in Wilmslow Lent Lunch Many thanks to the team who organised the provision of lunch at the Dean Row Chapel last week. It was good to see a number of parishioners present.

Stay Connected with the Diocese of Shrewsbury! We're excited to launch our new social media platforms to keep you updated on news, events, and faith-filled content from across the Diocese of Shrewsbury! Follow us for inspiring stories, parish updates, and ways to grow in your faith. Follow us on: Facebook: @shrewsdiocese; Instagram: @shrewsdiocese; Twitter/X: @shrewsdiocese; Website: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Gideon: A Play with Music This theatre production tells the story of the personal and musical life of the Jewish pianist-composer Gideon Klein, before and during the Second World War & will be performed in Wilmslow at St. Bartholomew's church on **Wednesday 8th April**. Further information at www.danielmawson.com/gideon

Relics Tour at St Anne's, Rock Ferry - 25 - 27 April 2025 The knights of St. Columba presents a tour of the relics of St. Columba, St. Andrew & St. Margaret at St. Anne's Church, Rock Ferry. Further information on their parish newsletter at St. Anne's at <https://www.stannes-rockferry.co.uk/the-rock>

Supporting the Vocation to Marriage & Family Life: Calling all those interested in supporting the vocation of marriage and family to join Jane Deegan Director of Marriage and Family Life Vocation for a retreat day to find out more about this important work and the various different ways you can help. **When:** 7th June 2025 9.30am-4.00pm **Where:** Parish Hall, Holy Angels Church, Wicker Lane, Hale Barnes WA15 0HG. **To Register and for More Information please contact:** Monika at monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Mobile: 07549226794 or Jane at jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Mobile: 07517 906435.

Day of Divine Mercy This special celebration will be held on Sunday 27th April 2025 at St. Vincent's Church, Altrincham. The church will be open from 1.30 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confession from 2 pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be read at 3 pm and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated at 3.30 pm. You are invited to recite the 9 Day Novena Prayers and Chaplet commencing on Good Friday. The Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet can be found at www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena For more information please contact noel@loughreys.com