

**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](mailto: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.

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St. Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s, Wilmslow
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**Weekly Wordsearch**

E	L	T	H	U	S	B	A	D	N	SAMARITAN	SYCHAR	JACOB
S	E	L	L	E	W	O	M	A	N	JOSEPH	WELL	WOMAN
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St Pius X Church, Stamford Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, SK9 7NS  
 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  
 S T. 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 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2026: The Third Sunday of Lent**

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i> Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</i>	9.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> Stations of the Cross 4.30 pm 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>Noel McMahon</i>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i> with sung missal tone in English
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	7.30 pm <b>Holy Hour &amp; Confessions</b>	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
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	No Mass
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Vocations to the Priesthood</i>	No Mass	<i>Stations of the Cross</i> 7.30 pm
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i> Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar <i>The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</i>	9.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> Stations of the Cross 4.30 pm 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>



## St Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

**Weekly Reflections Volunteer** A volunteer is urgently sought to take over the editing and printing of the Weekly Reflections for St Pius X from early May 2026 onwards. This involves liaising with the writing team, simple formatting, proof-reading and printing the reflections and delivering them to church prior to Sunday Mass. It is not a particularly time consuming task by any means. Please contact Rachel on [contact@musiclessonscheshire.co.uk](mailto:contact@musiclessonscheshire.co.uk) if you are able to assist. Regretfully, the reflections will come to an end in May if no one comes forward.

**Moira Ainsworth RIP** The Requiem Mass for Moira Ainsworth will be at 12pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at St Pius X; may she rest in peace.

**Presbytery Cleaning** We would be grateful for a volunteer to help with the house cleaning at the presbytery which would involve 45 minutes to an hour once a week. Please speak to Fr Moses if you can help or please email the parish. Thank you.

**Churches Together in Alderley (CTiA)** Many thanks to Stephen Stewart who has now ended his term, after some 5 years, in the role of St Pius X lay representative for the CTiA. We would be grateful for a member of our congregation to volunteer as our lay representative on the committee. Stephen would be available to speak by phone to anyone about the role but assures me that it is not an onerous task. Please speak to Fr Tony or send an email for more info.

**Food Bank** 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.

### **FOODBANK St Benedict's Handforth and Sacred Heart & St. Teresa's Wilmslow**

Collection for Hope Central Foodbank & 'My pantry,' Saturdays between 10 am – 11 am at St Benedict's Church car park. Priority foodbank items for this week, please help if you can:

***Tinned Ravioli, Weetabix, Long life Milk (Semi-skimmed),***

***Mayonnaise, Toilet Rolls...also any spare plastic carrier bags***

NB – no perishable foods. You can also donate direct to the Foodbank (side door at St Chads) from 11 am –12 pm on weekdays except Tuesday.

Items can also be left in the box in St Teresa's church porch. *Thank You*



### **Sacred Heart & St Teresa's Wilmslow Notices**

♪ **Church Choir Appeal** - Do you love to sing? Share your gift with our church choir and lift hearts in worship every Sunday! Whether you're an experienced singer or just love the sound of harmonies, your voice will be a blessing. We particularly need new members for Holy Week! Please speak to a member of the choir after Mass if interested or please send us an email.

**Churches Together: Our next prayer walk is on Tuesday 10th March**, gathering at 10 am ready to start walking at approx. 10.15am. The meeting point is at the junction of Barlow Road and Lacey Green, SK9 4BE - local parking available. It would be great if you were able to join us to pray for the people of our town and affect the atmosphere with the love of Jesus along the route. We will walk for an hour and then finish with a drink at a local coffee shop (optional). Next prayer walk: Tues 14th April. More info: Lynne Leng (Life Church) - Tel: 07870 959379.

## Notices All Parishes

### Attention all Gift Aid Donors

The tax year 2025/26 is coming to an end on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026 and the Parish will be claiming a tax refund on donations made during the tax year. If you no longer pay sufficient tax (Income or Capital Gains) or your personal details have changed, please let your parish gift aid secretary know (details below) otherwise it will be assumed that you have paid enough tax for the parish to reclaim Gift Aid on your donations made in the year.

**St Pius X:** Louise Jones [louise.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:louise.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or leave a note in the sacristy.

**St Benedict's:** Tina Poucher [tinapoucher@aol.com](mailto:tinapoucher@aol.com) or leave a note in the sacristy.

**St Teresa's:** Michael Marsden [wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com](mailto:wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com) or leave a note in the sacristy.

### **Fr Moses' Mother – Mrs Charity Adaure Ibeh - Requiem Mass**

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 6 pm at St Benedict's, Handforth all parishioners are invited to a Requiem Mass in memory of Mrs. Charity Adaure Ibeh, mother of Fr Moses.

### **SVP Thanks & Appeal**

**SVP Thanks** for contributions of furniture (chests of drawers and wardrobe) for the single mother. Now complete.

**SVP Appeal** The SVP are appealing alongside the Mini Vinnie group at St Benedict's school for those ladies who are released from Styal and who have nowhere to go. The team who oversee such situations try to provide a pack of toiletries. Before Christmas we helped with toothpaste; during Lent there will be boxes for roll on deodorant and shower gel donations - both retail at about £1. Many thanks for your help.

**Healing Service** led by Fr Frankie Mulgrew at St Bede's in Weaverham, Northwich at 7pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

**South Manchester Catholic Young Adults - Poland Pilgrimage** - Open to young adults aged 18–30. Please email by **14<sup>th</sup> March** if interested: [southmanccatholicyoungadults@gmail.com](mailto:southmanccatholicyoungadults@gmail.com)

**Pro-life Conference for men** - Calling men of all ages and states of life: book your place at 'Commissioned', the National Men's Pro-life Conference, on April 18th at Birmingham Christian College. Through compelling talks on fatherhood, marriage, post-abortion healing, spiritual warfare and sexual responsibility learn to live out your vocation with humility, courage and integrity. For more info including speakers or to book your place go to <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/commissioned-pro-life-mens-conference/> or please contact [info@marchforlife.co.uk](mailto:info@marchforlife.co.uk)

**LENTEN FAITH FORMATION COURSE – All Welcome** Venue: St Benedict's Church, Handforth; Time: Wednesdays 7.00 - 8:15 pm. WEEK 3: Wednesday 11th March FORGIVENESS, HEALING AND MISSION: Forgiveness & the Sacrament of Confession. Healing and the Sacrament of the Sick. Christian mission and the call to share our faith.