

**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 now [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 leave a note in the sacristy with your contact details on or email the parish.

**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**

T	N	A	E	D	V	O	I	E	C	JESUS	JORDAN	JOHN
S	I	D	R	O	J	F	A	R	A	BAPTISM	FITTING	DEMANDS
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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  
 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  
 Retired Priest (St. Benedict’s): Fr. William O’Riordan / Deacon (St. Benedict’s): Rev. Thomas Chrisp  
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[www.stteresawilmslow.org](http://www.stteresawilmslow.org)

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2025: The Baptism of the Lord**

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	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 <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> Celebrant’s Intention
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan The Baptism of the Lord	9.00 am Celebrant’s Intention	10.00 am Celebrant’s Intention 5.30 pm Celebrant’s Intention	11.00 am Charles Depares
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention	9.30 am Celebrant’s Intention	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) Celebrant’s Intention
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) Sarah Beck RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) & family	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Sarah Beck RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) & family Living Flame Prayer Group 11.15 am – 12.15 pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	12.00 pm Requiem Mass: Eileen Fisher	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan St Anthony, Abbot	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Private Intention	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	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 <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> Louise Dunkerley (RIP)
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan The 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Celebrant’s Intention	10.00 am Celebrant’s Intention 5.30 pm Celebrant’s Intention	11.00 am Celebrant’s Intention



### St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

#### OPEN TO ALL PARISHES: Churches Together Ceilidh 18th January, 2025

A fun Ukrainian dinner & ceilidh will be held at The Alderley Edge Scout Hall on Saturday 18th January 2025 to raise funds for Ukrainian guests. Tickets £20. Please book on Eventrite (Ukrainian Dinner and Ceilidh Dancing) or contact John Rylands on [john.rylands@northernventure.co.uk](mailto:john.rylands@northernventure.co.uk) All welcome; bring friends.

#### 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.



### St. Benedict's Handforth Notices

**LOST PROPERTY** There are some items in the porch. Please have a look if you think you may have lost something. At the end of January we will remove them.

**FOODBANK items** Thank you for your continued support - key priorities this week are milk, cereal, biscuits, sandwich paste, toilet rolls, eggs & jam. Please note no perishable foods. Our collections at St Benedict's are on Saturdays between 10.00 and 11.00 whilst Hope Central at St Chads is open for donations on weekdays between 11.00 and 12.00.

**Confirmation Programme 2025** Any young people in Year 8 or above who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to join our Confirmation sacramental programme. The Confirmation ceremony will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at Christ Church, Heald Green. There will be 7 preparation sessions, which will be held on Friday evenings at Christ Church between January and June, plus a Retreat Day. Those interested are invited to complete the Google Form to register: <https://forms.gle/Rv3TbHWw5f8N2UsC7> Once you have registered, you will receive an invitation to attend an information meeting in January.



### St. Teresa's Wilmslow Notices

#### Leo Caprio RIP – Update

Leo Caprio RIP - changes have been made regarding the funeral for Leo Caprio replacing all previous arrangements. The requiem Mass for the repose of Leo's soul will take place at Sacred Heart and St Teresa's at noon on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January.

**Diocese of Shrewsbury Yearbook** Now on sale in the Church entrance – price £7. These contain information about all the parishes of the Diocese. They also detail information about the diocesan agencies and groups.

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**FOODBANK** Please see Hope Central collection times & needed items above. Items can also be left in the box in our church porch.

### Sunday's Gospel Reading is taken from Luke 3:15-16 & 21-22

*'When Jesus had been baptised and was praying, the heavens were opened.'*

*At that time: As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, 'I baptise you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.'*  
*Now when all the people were baptised by John the Baptist and when Jesus also had been baptised and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'*

### Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

- **God Speaks** - Hearing God's Voice for Others, Led by Jordan Kelly  
Music led by Joe Wells of One Hope Project  
Saturday 18th January 2025 10.30 am - 3.30 pm  
St Edward's Church Runcorn, WA7 5NZ  
Lunch provided. For catering purposes, please register by emailing [alphamkruncorn@gmail.com](mailto:alphamkruncorn@gmail.com)
- **A Year of Hope: An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development**  
2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? How will the Church be celebrating it? How can I get involved? Catholic talk show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more in this lively start to the Jubilee. Hear highlights of how we're celebrating as a church and how we can be tangible signs of hope and build a better world together throughout this holy year. With a special appearance by Catholic band Ooberfuse. **Saturday 18 Jan, 10:30am-midday, online.** Register here for free: [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](https://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)
- **A Note from Seminarian Mark who is on placement in our churches for January 2025**  
My name is Mark Dilworth. I am 30 years old, and I am originally from Knockavilla, County Cork. I am the eldest of five children. I studied economics and politics at University College Cork. Feeling called to the priesthood, I entered Saint Patrick's College Maynooth for the Diocese of Cork and Ross, but after two years I needed to take time out. I spent several years working for a company involved with Airbnb. Bishop Mark accepted me to train for the priesthood for Shrewsbury Diocese and now I am in my third year of study at Saint Mary's College Oscott in Birmingham. I play the Clarinet, enjoy visiting new places, and I also collect stamps. I enjoy hill walking and travelling. I am a supporter of Arsenal!