

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.

| | St Pius X, Alderley Edge | St. Benedict’s, Handforth | Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s, Wilmslow |
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| Safeguarding Officer | Shaun Steele 07947-605-448 | Eithne Lennon 07915-918-056 | Cecilia Tinsley 01625-521-520 |
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Weekly Wordsearch

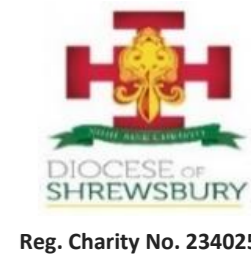
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St Pius X Church, Stamford Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, SK9 7NS
 St. Benedict's RC Church, Hall Road, Handforth, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 3AD
 Sacred Heart & St. Teresa's Church, Green Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 1LD



**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
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Sunday 23rd March, 2025: The Third Sunday of Lent

| | St Pius X, Alderley Edge | St Benedict’s, Handforth | Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow |
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| Saturday 22 nd Mar | No Mass | No Mass | 9.30 am Molly Carney RIP 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) Fr Anthony Cogliolo RIP 56 th Anniversary of Ordination |
| Sunday 23rd Mar The 3 rd Sunday of Lent | 9.00 am People of the Parish | 10.00 am John Quinlan Stations of the Cross 4.45pm 5.30 pm People of the Parish | 11.00 am People of the Parish |
| Monday 24 th Mar | No Mass | No Mass | 10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention |
| Tuesday 25 th Mar The Annunciation of the Lord | 10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention | 9.30 am Celebrant’s Intention | 6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) The Chosen (3 rd of 5) in St Teresa’s Hall 7 - 8 pm |
| Wednesday 26 th Mar | No Mass | 10.30 am Requiem Mass: Norma Toole Adoration with Confessions & Benediction 7 - 8 pm | 10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention Living Flame Prayer Group 11.15 am – 12.15 pm |
| Thursday 27 th Mar | No Mass | 9.30 am Celebrant’s Intention | 10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention |
| Friday 28 th Mar | 10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Vocations to the Priesthood | No Mass | Stations of the Cross 7 pm |
| Saturday 29 th Mar | 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) People of the Parish |
| Sunday 30th Mar The 4 th Sunday of Lent | 9.00 am Dominic Blaney RIP | 10.00 am People of the Parish Stations of the Cross 4.45pm 5.30 pm People of the Parish | 11.00 am People of the Parish |

Advance notice

All parishioners of our three churches are welcome to a Day Pilgrimage to Shrewsbury Cathedral on Thursday 22nd May – Confessions from 11 am, Pilgrim Mass 12.15 pm followed by lunch in the Cathedral's Orchard Café, Cathedral Tour 2pm, Jubilee Pilgrim Liturgy 3 pm. 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 from Shrewsbury at 9.47 am. The Cathedral is a 15-20 minute walk from Shrewsbury train station. If you are driving, St Julian Friars Car Park SY1 1XL is nearby.

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. 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.

Attention all Gift Aid Donors

The tax year 2024/25 is coming to an end on 5th April 2025 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 or leave a note in the sacristy.

St Benedict's: Tina Poucher tinapoucher@aol.com or leave a note in the sacristy.

St Teresa's: Michael Marsden wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com or leave a note in the sacristy.



St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

New Gift Aid Envelopes for the new tax year for current donors will be available for collection next weekend.

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

Copies of the Lenten booklet 'Walk with Me' are available in the Church porch and are free. Please take one.

FOODBANK items Thank you for your continued support - key priorities this week are long life milk (semi skimmed), tinned items - meat, ravioli, spaghetti hoops, jars/pots sandwich paste and packet soups. Our collections at St Benedict's are on Saturdays between 10.00 and 11.00. Donations will now support both Hope Central's Food Bank and their new venture "My Pantry".



St. Teresa's Wilmslow Notices

Kathleen Parr RIP We are very sorry to report the death of Kathleen Parr, who sadly died last week. May she rest in peace. Please pray for the repose of her soul. Her funeral has been provisionally arranged for Thursday 10th April at 11 am at St Teresa's.

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).

Other Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

Thursday 27th March – A Half-Day Pilgrimage to St Joseph's Shrine in Stockport (a designated Jubilee Church in our Diocese. St Joseph's is 5-10 minutes' walk from Stockport train station). Arrivals around 11am. Adoration with Confessions available, 11.20am Rosary, 12pm Holy Mass followed by a talk on the stained-glass windows. Pilgrims are then free to go into the town for lunch or return home. No booking necessary. Fr Tony plans to arrive at Wilmslow train station at 10.15am; Fr Moses will take a train around 11am.

Lourdes by Jumbulance Wirral and Chester Across Groups are again travelling to Lourdes by Jumbulance in 2025. The dates are Thu 15th to Sat 14th May and Thu 14th to Sat 23rd August. The Jumbulance is literally a Jumbo-Ambulance, with seven beds on board, an accessible toilet and kitchen. The journey overland takes about 21 hours. There are vacancies for a Doctor (in May), a nurse on each Group and helpers. There are vacancies for sick and disabled pilgrims. In the past we have taken people with MND, MS, COPD, various cancers, heart disease, etc and we have the facilities to care on the Jumbulance and in the Hotel. The cost is £1,360 which **includes Travel Insurance**. Nurses and those under 25 in FTE are asked to pay £660. For further information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 or email tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk or visit <https://www.across.org.uk/?s=AJ>

Divine Mercy and St Michael Retreat - Friday 2 May 2025, 2 – 3.30 pm Birkenhead Carmelite Monastery Grosvenor Place, Birkenhead, Prenton, Merseyside CH43 1UA. Fr Matthew Szerszen CSMA is an expert on St Michael and the nine choirs of angels teaching about their charisms as workers in God's heavenly court. Contact: Noreen Bavister; Email noreenbavister@btinternet.com Phone: 07795 318 605.

From Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality You are invited by Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality to join them in prayer, saying the Rosary together via Zoom on Wednesdays during Lent. Further details are available from secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated this year on Wednesday 16th April at Saint Anthony's, Wythenshawe at 7.00pm. All parishioners from across the Diocese are welcome to attend and to share in this always very beautiful and encouraging Diocesan celebration.

Celebrating the Jubilee Year for Lent 2025 in our Parishes

Stations of the Cross at St Benedict's at 4.45pm on Sundays in Lent (and 10 am on Good Friday)

Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings in Lent at 7pm at:

Sacred Heart and St Teresa on 28th March, & 18th April; St Pius X on 4th April; St Benedict on 11th April

The Chosen – about the life of Jesus of Nazareth, The Chosen is the largest crowd funded TV series in history. An episode will be shown from 7pm to 8pm in St Teresa's Hall each Tuesday during Lent (except Holy Week). All are welcome. Tuesdays 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st and 8th April.

Churches Together in Wilmslow **Lent lunches** at the Dean Row chapel, SK9 2BT from noon until 1pm every Tuesday in Lent. Parishioners from Sacred Heart & St Teresa's are preparing the food on Tuesday 1st April

Wednesday 26th March at St Benedict, Handforth, 7pm to 8pm

Adoration with Confessions and Benediction for Lent

Wed 9th April at Sacred Heart and St Teresa, 7pm to 8pm: **Adoration with Confessions and Benediction** for Lent