

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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Weekly Wordsearch

Wordsearch grid and list of names: GALILEE, CAPERNAUM, ZEBULUN, NAPHTALI, JORDAN, ISAIAH, SIMON, PETER, ANDREW, JAMES, ZEBEDEE, JOHN. Includes a cartoon illustration of Jesus and his apostles.

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



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 S T. PIUS X, ALDERLEY EDGE,
 ST. BENEDICT’S, HANDFORTH &
 SACRED HEART & ST. TERESA’S, WILMSLOW
 WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Sunday 25th January, 2026: The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

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 Meat, Eggs, Toilet Rolls, Long-life Milk (Semi-skimmed)

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.

Notices All Parishes

Matthew Hickson

Matthew Hickson, who has been on placement with us for January, returns to seminary this week. Thank you to Matthew for his work and presence in the parishes. We ask the Lord to continue to guide his discernment and formation as he prepares for ordination to the diaconate in December this year.

Cheque Donations

The Diocese has recently advised us that the cost to process cheques by our bank has increased significantly. The methods to deposit cheques have also become more restricted to us. If you usually donate to us by cheque, we kindly ask you to consider alternative donation methods – these include:

- setting up a standing order (forms are available on request)
- cash donations
- DONA card payments (using the card readers in all our church porches)

Thank You

Mass Offerings



We now have Mass Offering envelopes in all our church porches to make the process easier to request Mass intentions. Once completed, please pass to the priest, drop into the Sunday collection plate or post through the presbytery letterbox.



The SVP had a busy Christmas period and were able to provide items for our families and for all those we support. Please have a look at the information on the notice boards and we're so grateful in particular to the children at school who again produced some wonderful Christmas Cards. Many thanks also to all parishioners who support us - we couldn't do it without you!

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026

2026 will be the 75th anniversary of the first Shrewsbury Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage. There are three 'drop in' sessions planned for people to find out more about our pilgrimage:

Saturday 31st January 10am to 12 noon at Our Lady & Saint Christopher's in Romiley

Saturday 21st February 11am to 12.30pm at Christ the King in Bromborough

Saturday 7th March 12.30pm to 2pm Saint Patrick's in Wellington.

The dates for this year's pilgrimage are as follows:

- By Air - Friday 31st July to Thursday 6th August
- By Coach - Thursday 30th July to Friday 7th August
- Youth Pilgrimage - Wednesday 29th July to Friday 7th August

Marriage Week 7th - 14th February 2026

Marriage Week is an annual celebration offering the opportunity to support and promote marriage and family life. Jane Deegan the Director for Marriage and Family Life Vocation is seeking to build a team of volunteers to support this vital ministry in the Diocese. Two Retreat days have been run to date with another being arranged for April 2026.

If you would like to volunteer in any capacity and/or would like to find out more please contact Monika Golembiewska -Email : monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Jane Deegan- Email: jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Resources for couples and parishes can be found on the Bishops Conference website <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/marriage-week/> A link to these resources has also been created on the Shrewsbury Diocese website.

Diocesan Mass for Marriage 2026 The Diocesan Mass for Marriage is always a very happy occasion for couples celebrating significant anniversaries and for their families. I will be celebrating the Mass for 2026 on **Saturday 13th June at 12 noon at Saint Columba's, Chester**, followed by a buffet lunch for invited guests in the Parish Hall. All parishioners celebrating a significant marriage anniversary can apply for an invitation from the Bishop's Office via their Parish Priest or Parish Secretary.

Betrothed Marriage Preparation Course The 2026 courses take place over two consecutive Saturdays at three locations: St Clare's Church Parish Hall in Chester (February 7 & 14), St Vincent de Paul Church Westleigh Parish Hall in Altrincham (February 28 & March 7), and Shrewsbury Cathedral Parish Hall in Shrewsbury (March 21 & 28). For more information please contact Jane Deegan at jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Mobile:07517 906435. Registration is essential. To register please contact MONIKA at the following email address: monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org