

Mass Intention

Vigil Mass	4th	6.30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	5th	10:00am	Denis Slaney (RIP birthday anniv)
Monday	6th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tuesday	7th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Weds	8th	9.30am	Monica McDonnell (RIP)
Thursday	9th	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Friday	10th	7.30pm	November Souls Mass
Vigil Mass	11th	6.30pm	Nicholas Anderton
Sunday Mass	12th	10:00am	Parishioners

Preparation Responsibilities & Mass Ministers 11th & 12th November 2017

Church cleaning	Caroline Robinson
Flowers	Pat Broadbent & Ronnie Ryder
Piety 6.30 pm	Rosemarie Snow
10.00 am	Sheila Scholes
Counting	Larry Ford
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 11th 6.30pm Jacqui Feely & Brendan Hickey Sun 12th 10:00am Leo Turnbull, Debbie Cox & Sheila Beaumont
Readers	Sat 11th 6.30pm Patrick Moore Sun 12th 10:00am Aidan Feely
Altar Servers	Sat 11th 6.30pm James Pimblett & Reuben Beck Sun 12th 10:00am Joseph Parrott & Thomas Cunliffe
Sacristan	Sat 11th 6.30pm Father Peter Sun 12th 10:00am Father Peter
Little Church	Sun 12th 10:00am Toby Kalnins & Ruth Molloy
Musicians	Sun 12th 10:00am Catherine & Dominic
Welcomers	Sat 11th 6.30pm Fiona Carpenter & Janet Oldham Sun 12th 10:00am Ronnie Ryder & Cath Hooper
PowerPoint	Sat 11th 6.30pm Peter Milham Sun 12th 10:00am John landola

To add something to the **newsletter**, kindly contact the Presbytery via tel. **872606** or email stpaulspoynton@gmail.com with the details. The deadline for items for inclusion is Thursdays at 10am. Thank you for your support!



Our Parish website: www.stpaulspoynton.org.uk
Our School website: www.stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk
Our Pre-school website: www.stpauls-pre-school.co.uk

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Weekly Service Times:

Mon	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tues	9.30am	Word & Communion
Wed	9.30am	Mass
Thurs	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Fri	7.30pm	Nov Souls Mass
Sat	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	10.00am	Sunday Mass



Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time 4th & 5th November 2017

To heaven, with the Scribes and Pharisees....

This was the title of a book written by Rabbi Lionel Blue, whom you may have listened to in the past on Radio 4 Thought for the Day. In the book he challenged the judgements we make too easily about people, and invited us to see beyond the generalisations we so easily make about the Scribes and the Pharisees. St. Matthew's Gospel was aimed, not at the Jewish people, but the early Christians who were beginning to show the same sort of failings for which the Lord criticised the people of his own time – more concerned about outward appearances than inner truth.

As has been said, the feathers of the peacock are very colourful, but they are worn more for show than for warmth. The Pharisees Jesus criticised were more concerned about appearing good, than with really being good. The world in which we live spends an awful lot of time and money on appearances, with the image more important than the reality. The Government does a lot of 'spinning', we ourselves want to put on a good show, but all we have to do is to be what we are...the daughters and sons of God our Father.

Thought for the week

Have courage for the great sorrows of life and patience for the small ones,
and when you have finished your daily tasks,
sleep in peace - God is awake.

We welcome Fr. Michael Murray who will be celebrating our masses this weekend.

Thank you for your generous offerings last Sunday, which totalled £405.75p.

World Mission Sunday collection raised £408.20 thank you for your generosity!

Recent collections of APF boxes raised £295.70 & the Children's Society boxes £239.04.

Thanks for donations/collation of monies – you are a generous parish in so many ways!

Fri 10th Nov at 7.30pm we are having a **November Souls Mass**: *If you'd like to have your deceased family members & friends included in our November masses please put their names into the envelopes available at the back of church and then leave them in the basket.*

CCRS: Next module, The New Testament, for the Catholic Cert. of Religious Studies begins on **Sat 11th Nov** at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY. 9:30 registration/refreshments, 10am–3:30pm. You may start the course (8 modules) at the beginning of any module. Registration forms www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs. Non-certificate option available (no essays), aimed at teachers, catechists & those wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

Poynton Methodist Church Charity Christmas Market: Sat 11th Nov 10am – 12.30pm. Proceeds support: Francis House, Riding for the Disabled & Macclesfield Live at Home Scheme.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: a joint training day is to be held at St. Alban's on Saturday 25th November from 10am – 4.30pm. This will be followed by a recommitment during both the masses on the weekend of 9th & 10th December here at St. Paul's.

Aid to the Church in Need: North West benefactors mass on **Sat 18th Nov at 2pm** to be held at Church of the Holy Name, Manchester. All are welcome and there is a poster in the porch for further information.

Poynton High are asking all the local churches for volunteers to help with their Life & Beyond programme. We have a list of dates that they would like us to cover. They would preferably like two parishioners per session, to go into the school, and discuss with a small group of pupils our beliefs in life after death. If you would be interested in being involved or finding out more, please contact Julie Johnson on 01625 871089. If you are unsure, it would be possible to pair you up with other team members to see if this might be something you could do in future years.

Would you like to join St. Alban's on a Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sun 29th April to Weds 1st May 2018? The cost is £256 for 4days/3nights en-suite accommodation on half board, includes coach travel from St. Alban's. A £30 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place. Further details / confirm a place contact Gloria Hayhurst on 01625 421214. ASAP.

URGENT FLOWER TEAM APPEAL



Please could parishioners have a think about volunteering to join the flower rota.

The current team URGENTLY need additional support as a long-standing member would like to retire asap and, 'new hands' would be gratefully welcomed! You don't need previous experience and the team are super friendly. Duties are 3 - 4 times a year. If you're interested put your name down on the sheet at the back of church or ring the parish office.

Finance Team Advert: With the impending age-related withdrawal of some members of the team due to take effect at the end of the year, there is an **URGENT need** for replacements to come forward and volunteer to take their places. Your Parish cannot function without this facility and anyone willing to help should submit their name now to the parish office so that training for counting / banking the weekly collections can be arranged. *(If there are enough volunteers your assistance would be required as little as 6 times a year!)*

If any current banking / counting volunteers could take over producing the rota this would also be of great benefit to the parish and the Finance Team.

The Friendship and Bereavement Group will be meeting next on Thursday, 16th November, 2017, at 2.00pm in the conservatory at the side of Church. We will be having two guest speakers to entertain us along with a "harvest" collection for the Wellspring Centre. Gifts of tin meat, packets of tea and sugar, tins of soup (not tomato), etc. would be most welcome by Wellspring. Why not come along and join us for what promises to be a very interesting afternoon and at the same time meet up with friends or maybe make some new ones. Need a lift, no problem, just telephone Alma on 878223 to arrange transport.

Calling all Yorkshire Tea drinkers: Julie Johnson is collecting the bar codes off their packets of tea. For every bar code collected Yorkshire Tea donate money to a charity that provide wheelchairs for those in need wherever in the world they may be. Either hand them to Julie or put them in the collection and they'll find their way to her. See www.wheelchairfoundationuk.org

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Patrick Black, Harry & Eleanor Neely, Fr. Harry, Gabriel Drew, Daniel Burke, Sandra Bradley, Chris Nuri, Sheelagh O'Hanlon, Mary Tooby, Chris Browne, Max Emerson, John Biggar, Elliott Richardson, Joyce Keating, Peggy Burke, Bea Heyes, John White, Margaret Wilson, Maura Agnew, Elizabeth McNiff, Catherine Vermuden, Carol Jamiesen, Joseph Martin, Doris Lear, Bobbie Drakeford, John Traynor, Irene Walker, Monsignor O'Neill, Veronica Nolan & Jeanette Dutton.

We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries: Alice Hewitt, Helen Robinson, Herbert Lawrence Molloy, Duncan Baddeley, Barbara Robinson, Mary Mulrooney, Edward Fitzpatrick, Alan Maunders, Edward Murphy, Sarah Lloyd, Fr. Colin Doyle, Mary Lyon, Stuart Blears & Nicholas Anderton.

Sunday Mass in our Missals

Entrance Antiphon/Readings	410
Gospel	412
Preface	45
Communion Antiphon	417

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
You have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia.

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Thanks to John Fenn (See John 19:17-37) 11-11-1999
UMMMM JESUS, ARE YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT TO BE A FIREMAN OR PHAROAH WHEN YOU GROW UP? ... 'CRUCIFIED, DEAD AND BURIED' IS A BIT TOO SPOOKY FOR THE OTHER KIDS.