

Mass Intention

Vigil Mass	25th	6.30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	26th	10:00am	Janet Birtles (RIP)
Monday	27th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tuesday	28th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Weds	29th	9.30am	Mark Aspinall (RIP)
Thursday	30th	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Friday	1st	9.30am	Word & Communion
Vigil Mass	2nd	6.30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	3rd	10:00am	Monica McDonnell

Preparation Responsibilities & Mass Ministers 2nd & 3rd December 2017

Church cleaning	Amanda Baylon & Marie Coughlan		
Flowers	No Flowers during Advent		
Piety 6.30 pm	Rosemarie Snow		
10.00 am	Terry Curtis		
Counting	TBA		
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Lynne Emerson & Janet Oldham
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Leo Turnbull, Hilary Jarvis & Peter O'Neill
Readers	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Brendan Hickey
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	TBA
Altar Servers	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	James Pimblett & Reuben Beck
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Peter Robinson
Sacristan	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Mary & John Scanlon
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Sheila Beaumont
Little Church	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Helen Jackson & Serena Kivel
Musicians	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Catherine, Ged & Alan
Welcomers	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Beryl & Leigh Partington
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	Barbara Tomlinson & Pat Broadbent
PowerPoint	Sat 2nd	6.30pm	Peter Milham
	Sun 3rd	10:00am	John Kalnins

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	9.30am	Word & Communion
Sat	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	10.00am	Sunday Mass



Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe 25th & 26th November 2017

A community of mercy.

Although the reading seems to be pointing us to the final judgement, Jesus is also describing the sort of community the church is called to be. A community that cares. The shared problem of those who were both blessed, and those cursed was "When did we see you Lord?" That may be our question too, as we see so many in need in so many different ways. The Gospel asks us to understand, to interpret what we see. We are invited to recognise the broken body of Jesus in the brokenness and the woundedness of those we see around us. Christ still suffers in the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the imprisoned. We have two special thoughts for our prayers this feast day, our young people with their lives ahead of them, and also those who are in our prisons. To hold all of these in our prayers and our hearts and to do what we can for them, is to pay attention to the whole body of Christ. And to do that is to be welcomed as blessed of God, because it is to live as a community of mercy.

Thought for the week

Destiny is not a matter of chance,
it is a matter of choice.

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

Thank you for your generous offerings last Sunday, which totalled £451.69.

This Sunday marks the final Sunday of the Church's year, with Advent beginning next Sunday and it also tends to be the beginning of a busy time as we prepare in a variety of ways for the great feast of the Lord's birth. A busy time, so **PLEASE** take the opportunity to have a time of prayer and reflection as we approach ADVENT.

Next weekend is the first Sunday of Advent. Father Peter will be in church from 5.30pm to hear confessions before the start of mass next Saturday evening. This lovely sacrament, that brings us so much closer to our Blessed Lord, is such a fitting way to begin our Advent journey.

My Day by Day book for Advent is available at the back of church. These lovely booklets contain readings and reflections for Advent in preparation for the arrival of Our Lord at Christmas. We don't have a huge supply but if you would like one then please take one.

Church speakers: parishioners have reported the church PA / speakers aren't working as well as they were. If you're noticing problems, please let us know where you were sitting, what the problem was, and the date you noticed it; then we know what we should investigate. If you think you can't hear the amplified sound properly, check with somebody sitting near you. As we get older we have some hearing loss which affects the clarity of what we hear through the speakers.

Calling all Yorkshire Tea drinkers: Julie Johnson is collecting the bar codes off their packets of tea. Every bar code collected Yorkshire Tea donate money to a charity that provide wheelchairs for those in need. Please hand them to Julie or put them in the collection

XCell Youth Group: rollerblading disco & pizza Fri 8th Dec 6-8.45pm at MAC Activity Centre, Goodall St., Macc., SK11 7BD. The £5 cost includes skate hire, juice & a pizza. More info see poster in porch or contact Anna & Greg Hughes on 01625 614406 xcellyouthgroup@gmail.com

The Wellspring OPEN AFTERNOON on Friday 8th Dec at 2.30pm. This is going to be an interesting opportunity, a chance to meet the staff and enjoy a festive cuppa, with fancy Christmas cakes / mince pies; feel free to bring a friend. The Mayor & Consort of Stockport Councillor Linda Holt & Mr Ken Holt have been invited to draw the Wellspring Christmas raffle at 3.30pm. **Please join in the fun you may be lucky and end up taking a prize home!**

Sincere thanks for all food donations - a list of items required is available at the back of church.

The Diocesan Lourdes Hospitality Group will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception with Mass on Fri 8th Dec at 7.30pm at St Chad's, SK8 2AF, followed by social gathering in St Chad's Parish Centre-everyone welcome! Mass is preceded at 6.30pm with a meeting for Hospitality members interested in joining working party, agenda item from last AGM.

CAFOD FUN RUN at Bollington - The Fun Run preparations are underway and we need a few people to help marshal, deal with registrations and generally help out on the day. If you feel that you could be available to marshal and ensure the safety of the participants please reply to the Fun Run Director Tim Marsh on his e-mail t-d.marsh@tiscali.co.uk. If you'd like to help in any capacity please reply to chris.pimblott@ntlbusiness.com or 01625 266552 - BFR 17 Co-ordinator

Catholic Singles helps single adult Catholics meet, either one to one or through social events. Tel. 0161 941 3498 or www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS.

Dear Parents / Guardians, we would like to invite your child/ children to participate in the **Children's Christmas Eve Mass at 5pm**. There are various parts available but to ensure a place please contact Ruth Molloy **by the 8th December** to register your interest and whether your child would prefer speaking or non-speaking part. Contact Ruth on tubacurry98@hotmail.com

St. Alban's Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sun 29th Apr to Weds 1st May 2018? Cost is £256 for 4days/3nights en-suite accom on half board, inc's coach from St. Alban's. A £30 non-refundable deposit is required to secure your place. Contact Gloria on 01625 421214. **ASAP.**

Xmas cards and small gifts are on sale at the back of church. please pay in the piety shop.



FLOWER team URGENT APPEAL: additional support needed: **two** long-standing members are retiring, 'new hands' would be gratefully welcomed! No previous experience required, team are friendly & duties are 3-4 times a year. If you're interested put your name on the sheet at the back of church or ring the office please.

Finance Team: volunteers needed urgently... If anyone is willing to help please put your name on the sheet at the back of church or submit your details to the parish office (current members will provide training for counting/banking). **Please could current finance team members take over producing the team rota?**

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: 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, Gail Lloyd, Jeanette Dutton and Linda Downes.

We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries: Arthur Doyle, John Froelish, Mary Stenhouse, Lily Keating, Sara Doherty, Ted Millet, Mark Aspinall, Alma Powell, Margaret Whitehurst, Mary Bennett, Joseph Keating, Barbara Simpson & John Howard.

<u>Sunday Mass in our Missals</u>	
Entrance Antiphon/Readings	437
Gospel	439
Preface	57
Communion Antiphon	445

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia.

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JOSEPH, COME QUICK ... JESUS IS TAKING HIS FIRST STEPS