

Mass Intention

Vigil Mass	10 th	6.30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	11 th	10:00am	Olga Claire - RIP
Monday	12 th	9.30am	Word & Communion
Tuesday	13 th	9:30am	Word & Communion
Weds	14 th	9.30am	Alan Payne (RIP) & deceased family
		7.30pm	Fr. Harry Stratton (RIP Int's)
Thursday	15 th	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Friday	16 th	9:30am	Word & Communion
Vigil Mass	17 th	6.30pm	Parishioners
Sunday Mass	18 th	10:00am	Olga Claire - RIP

Preparation Responsibilities & Mass Ministers 17th & 18th February 2018

Church cleaning	B. Tomlinson & M. Moore		
Flowers	ASH WEDS – NO FLOWERS FOR LENT		
Piety 6.30 pm	M. Rhodes		
10.00 am	A. Brogan		
Counting	Ian Johnson		
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Anne Marley & Mary Scanlon
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Richard Cantillon, Ros & Hugh Stuart Buttle
Readers	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Frank Halligan
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Frank Leneghan
Altar Servers	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Kalnins Family & Martha Ricketts
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Peter Robinson & James Hood
Sacristan	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Mary & John Scanlon
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Jacqui Feely
Little Church	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Marie Coughlan
Musicians	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Catherine & Dominic
Welcomers	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Mary & John Scanlon
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	Maureen & Peter Leigh
PowerPoint	Sat 17 th	6.30pm	Martin Wilson
	Sun 18 th	10:00am	John landolo

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 in School
	7.30pm	Mass in Church
Thurs	7.30pm	Word & Communion
Fri	9:30am	Word & Communion
Sat	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sun	10.00am	Sunday Mass



The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time 10th & 11th February 2018

Jesus – very much a human person

The Gospel of St. Mark portrays a picture of Jesus' humanity, his care, his concern, his feelings - all part of the way Jesus responds to the people he meets. The passage we read at Mass today is a perfect example. The leper saying to Jesus "**if you want to** you can cure me" and Jesus, from the heart, "**Of course** I want to." You can imagine the feelings that Jesus has, that someone might think he does not want to cure them, when his whole ministry is to bring his Father's healing love to the heart of peoples' lives. Leprosy was more than a physical disease, it isolated people, it cut them off from normal life, and the healing Jesus offers restores not just a physical body, but a whole person, themselves and their relationships are restored too. As we gather round the altar, we're invited to open our hearts to the healing touch of the Lord, who searches us out, to bring us healing, to make us whole, to bring us the forgiveness that we all need.

Thought for the week

God does not ask about your ability
rather he asks for your availability.

We welcome Fr Jim McGrath who will be kindly celebrating our masses this weekend.

Thank you for your generous offerings last Sunday, which totalled £451.55

Family Fast Day this year is on **Friday 23rd Feb 2018** for **CAFOD**.

THIS YEAR THE GOVERNMENT WILL MATCH EVERY DONATION MADE!

PLEASE let us organise ourselves to make the most of this offer - envelopes will be given out next weekend (Please complete the gift aid section if you are a tax payer).

We begin Lent on Wednesday 14th Feb with Ash Wednesday.

Ashes will be distributed at two Masses: 9.30am at school and 7.30pm in church.

Confirmation candidates: if there are children interested in making their confirmation from our parish this year please contact the parish office asap, (*only 4 or 5 have expressed interest so far – with such a small group these children may have to wait until next year*).

The Friendship and Bereavement Group will be meeting next **Thurs, 15th February, at 2.00pm** in the church conservatory (through the gate at the side of church). We will be looking forward to Shrove Tuesday and enjoying 😊 a pancake or two along with a topping of your choice. Everybody is very welcome to join us, this is a great opportunity to catch up with friends or maybe make some new ones. Require transport or more details about the Group, then don't hesitate to call Alma on 01625 878223.

A Recovery of Mercy: the radical experience of Grace through all our addictions is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held on **Sat 17th Feb 2018**. If you are aged between 18-35 please join us - we will be led by Damien Prescott, Director of 'Olive Branch Recovery Communities'. The day will start at 9.30am at Wistaston Hall, Crewe CW2 8JS and finish at 5pm. Payment by donation (suggested cost £20 & £15 for unemployed/student). If you would like to join us or wish to know more about it please contact Siobhan Cartwright at siobhanbc@gmail.com tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947.

Ramblers: Next walk on **Weds 28th Feb** meeting at **10am** at Waitrose car park. It's 5 miles - Marple Compstall circular via Etherow country park and Brabyns park. One long easy - moderate gradient. The leader is Peter O'Neill and we will have lunch at Andrew Arms, Compstall.

Churches Together - Poynton Methodist Church on Fri 2nd March at 2pm - ALL WELCOME Let's think and pray for the beautiful country of Suriname and consider our own response to environmental issues. Coffee / cake and Traidcraft Stall too. Please come along!

CTiP: 'Litter Pick' on Sat 3rd March 2018 – Julie Johnson is looking to recruit some volunteers from our parish, family / friends are more than welcome to help too. If you are interested please approach Julie Johnson or leave your details with the parish office.

Symposium on The Eucharist – Sat 3rd Mar 2018, St Ambrose College Hale Barns and Sun 4 Mar 2018, Parish Room, Shrewsbury Cathedral. As part of the diocese's preparations for the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool this September, the subject for the day is The Eucharist, Maelstrom of Love: Source and Centre of the Sacramental Life. Further information on the website: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/symposium

Parish Diaries: We have a few parish diaries which arrived this week, these are FREE to a good home! Collect one quickly as we didn't think we were getting any this year. Available in the porch.

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.**

Meet & Greet Rota: Please collect your new rota from the pigeon trays at the back of church.
St. Paul's Primary: Permanent Midday Assistant Vacancy, 1¼ hours per day (term time only), 3 days a week, £7.93 p/h. To apply and for more details, please ask for an application form from Mrs Wood in the school office. Email: admin@stpauls.cheshire.sch.uk or Tel. 01625 383040.

This year Lourdes Celebrates 160 years since the 1st Apparition to Bernadette Soubirous, on 11th Feb 1858. Lourdes are expecting to attract a huge increase in pilgrim numbers this year. Leisure Time Travel have flights from Manchester, with seats purchased, on the following dates: 14 May, 29 May, 4 Jun, 23 Jul, 30 Jul, 3 Sept & 24 Sept. All dates are 5 days/4 nights and don't include a Sunday. Prices start at £569.00 p/ person (Twin / Double).

Parish Post-box: Please check the Parish Post-box as you leave church this weekend. There are a number of Christmas cards and uncollected rotas. We will clear it out on Monday 12th Feb so please check and take any items which belong to you! Thanks!!

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Emily Underwood, Harry & Eleanor Neely, 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 Jamieson, Joseph Martin, Doris Lear, Bobbie Drakeford, John Traynor, Irene Walker, Mon.O'Neill, Veronica Nolan, Jeanette Dutton, Karen Siddall, Linda Downes, Hilary Jamieson & Celia Deignan.

We remember in our prayers those with anniversaries: Tom Asprey, Winifred Leech, Mary Doyle, Joanna Rowbotham, Gabrielle Martin, Alan Payne, Felix Marley, George Clayton, Nat. Hanley, Georgina Burns, Anthony Doyle & Enid Jukka.

Sunday Mass in our Missals

Entrance Antiphon/Readings	190/193
Gospel	195
Preface	46
Communion Antiphon	198

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia

May the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ
Enlighten the eyes of our mind
So that we can see what hope his call
holds for us.

Alleluia.

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