

**The Catholic Church in Crewe**  
**Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish**  
**Newsletter**

**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**  
**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022**



*If you have the NHS Covid-19 Test and Trace App please scan the QR code as you enter church and then turn your mobile phone off when you enter the church.*

**YOU MUST TAKE THIS SINGLE USE NEWSLETTER HOME. DO NOT LEAVE IT IN CHURCH!**

**FATHER JEROME'S MESSAGE FOR THE WEEK**

Another informative site meeting for Saint Mary's Caritas Centre last Friday. We were informed of issues being rectified with drains off site by United Utilities. Beam and block work continues, and the front elevations continue to be ready for the bricklayers which are progressing well. All the brickwork is expected to be up by March. There have been no issues on site. Ben Gilchrist will be considering the finishes for the building and continues to keep stakeholders informed of the site meeting updates. We also discussed future maintenance needs as well as the logistics for heating, lighting, and keys. You will find new pictures of the build on our social media and parish website this weekend.

This Sunday we welcome members of the Salford Catenians who are joining us at our 11am Mass.

As well as Monday, Helena will be working from home this Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February.

Please keep Father David Craig in your prayers. I prayed with him during the week as he receives end of life care in Leighton Hospital. He has been a true friend to Saint Mary's Parish.

With my prayers for the coming week,  
Father Jerome (Parish Priest)

**GUIDANCE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS**

- please continue to sanitise your hands on arrival and when leaving church.
- NHS Test and Trace is still available for you to use via the newsletter and church boards.
- we ask for your continued support to observe social distancing.
- you must continue to wear a face covering. You must provide your own face covering from now on. Children aged 11+ must also wear face coverings.
- follow the directions of our stewards for Holy Communion. Keep your face mask on as you receive Communion, then stand aside, consume the Blessed Sacrament, and make your way back to your seat.
- please do not come to church if you are ill or showing symptoms of Covid, flu, cold, or even a cough.

Thank you very much for your co-operation and understanding.



## MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Church opens at 5pm)

5:30pm Mass (Secular Clergy)

Sacrament of Reconciliation directly after Mass

7pm Mass in the Polish Language

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Church opens at 8:15am)

9am Mass (The O'Brien Family, Irene Jones)

11am Mass (The People of the Parish)

12:45pm Mass in the Polish Language

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

10am Mass (Private Intention)

11:30am Funeral Service for Joan Shannon

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

12:15pm Requiem Mass for Anne Rickard

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Church opens at 5pm)

5:30pm Mass (Anne Rickard)

7pm Mass in the Polish Language

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(Church opens at 8:15am)

9am Mass (Peter Losa, Bridget Patricia Goode)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation directly after Mass

11am Mass (Isidore Alves and Beny Yaung Lin)

12:45pm Mass in the Polish Language

**You remain dispensed from the Sunday and Holy Day Obligation to attend Mass.**

## Response to the Psalm

*Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord.*

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** *Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!*

## THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

## CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Offertory Collection

The total for 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> February was £1239.93 approx. This total includes standing orders. Thank you for all you do to support the mission of Saint Mary's Parish.

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**Safeguarding Officer:** Mrs Sue Sarson can be contacted via the Presbytery Office.

## **HYMNS FOR SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022**

### **The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

#### **Entrance - A new commandment**

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
By this shall all know that you are my disciples:  
if you have love one for another.  
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if you have love one for another.

A new commandment I give unto you:  
that you love one another as I have loved you,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
Without my help you can do nothing.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
Without my help you can do nothing.

#### **Communion - Be still and know I am with you**

Be still and know I am with you,  
be still, I am the Lord.  
I will not leave you orphans,  
I leave with you my world. Be one.

You fear the light may be fading,  
you fear to lose your way.  
Be still, and know I am near you.  
I'll lead you to the day and the sun.

Be glad the day you have sorrow,  
be glad, for then you live.  
The stars shine only in darkness,  
and in your need I give my peace.

#### **Recessional - You shall cross the barren desert**

You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.  
You shall wander far in safety  
though you do not know the way.  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands  
and they will understand.  
You shall see the face of God and live.

**Refrain:** Be not afraid.  
I go before you always.  
Come, follow me,  
and I will give you rest.

If you pass through raging waters in the sea,  
you shall not drown.  
If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.  
If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all.

Blessed are the poor,  
for the kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blest are you that weep and mourn,  
for one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked men insult and hate you  
all because of me,  
blessed, blessed are you.

#### **FIRST SACRAMENTS PROGRAMME**

Parents/Carers should have received an email with the link to Session 6 of the programme. Please check your spam/junk folders as well as your Inbox. Please ensure your child works through the session. Your child has until 20<sup>th</sup> February to complete the session and submit the assessment. Please note that sometimes the screen take a few seconds to load up, please be patient. If you have not completed the previous sessions yet, please take this opportunity to catch up.

Session 7 will be issued on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Please also ensure that your children do not go to receive communion when at Mass as they have not been prepared or received their First Holy Communion yet. They are more than welcome to receive a blessing by placing their hand across their chest.

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

The Parish would like to send its best wishes and prayers to Dot Peel who will be celebrating her birthday this week. We wish her lots of good health.

#### **THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE WORKING HOURS**

Helena will be working from home every Monday and the Presbytery and Church will be closed on that day every week. Helena will be working from the Presbytery Office Tuesday to Friday 9am-2pm.

### ATTENTION ALL GIFT AID DONORS

The tax year 2021/22 will be coming to an end on 5<sup>th</sup> April and the Parish will then undertake the process of claiming back the Gift Aid refunds on donations made in the tax year. If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay income tax (or if for any other reason you do not wish to remain in the Gift Aid Scheme) please contact Helena in the office before 5<sup>th</sup> April, otherwise it will be assumed you have paid sufficient income tax for the Parish to reclaim Gift Aid on donations made in the tax year.

### CREWE FOODBANK ST PAULS PANTRY

Ordinary long life food items are still really the main priority, and we are currently continuously short of items such as UHT milk, jam and long-life cakes/puddings.

St. Mary's have now re-commenced the collection of long-life items and the crate for donations is located in the outer porch on the left hand side as you enter the church by the arched door. Donations of food – tinned or packet - must preferably have a long use-by date. Please do not donate fresh items as St Pauls have no storage facilities for fresh food. Thank you.



### FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Joan Shannon, Anne Rickard, Peter William Beechey and Roy Clarke

whose funerals will take place through the parish over the coming weeks. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. Let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

### FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCIES

Our Catholic schools are a vital part of our parish communities, and by law diocesan schools have governing bodies made up of various categories of governor - the majority of which are Foundation Governors. Foundation Governors are practising Catholics who are appointed by the Bishop to help support him in ensuring the 'Catholicity' of a school amid all the other objectives that are required by Law.

If you feel able to offer your services please contact Sue Blackwell, Governance Support Officer for the Diocese, via [sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or telephone 0151 652 9855. The required forms can also be downloaded from the diocesan website [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

### READING GROUP

The next Reading Group will meet on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 2:30pm at Wistaston Hall. We will be reading and discussing I am David by Anne Holm. All welcome. For further information, please contact: Sheila Kane, 588320.

### SCRIPTURE GROUP

Has now re-commenced on Thursdays from 10:45-11:45am in the Parish rooms. All are most welcome to attend.

Please note this weeks meeting on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February will take place at Wistaston Hall.

Please contact Margaret Hughes 01270 668873 or Sheila Kane 01270 588320 for further information.

### SKIRTS

We have received a donation of 4 pleated checked skirts, sizes 20 and 22, new with labels. Available for a donation to the SVP. If anyone is interested please see Helena in the office.

### ST MARY'S SVP- DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The SVP will meet in the parish rooms at the Presbytery on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 7:30pm. We received several donations over Christmas to support our work. Thank you for your generosity.

### SUDAN BABY APPEAL - 5<sup>TH</sup>/6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Thank you to all of you who contributed to the retiring collection last weekend. A total of £552.11 was collected in aid of the Sudan Baby Appeal. Thank you as always for your generous support.

### TEA/COFFE AND A CHAT

A few of the Parishioners are meeting up in the Market Hall, Crewe for a tea or coffee and a chat on Fridays between 11:30am-12:30pm. All Parishioners are more than welcome to come along and join in. For further details please speak to Margaret Hughes tel. 01270 668873.



MUSIC  
FOOD AND DRINK  
ENTERTAINMENT

FREE ENTRY  
5PM - 11PM  
EVERYONE WELCOME