

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.

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St. Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Safeguarding Officer	Shaun Steele 07947-605-448	Eithne Lennon 07915-918-056	Cecilia Tinsley 01625-521-520
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Weekly Wordsearch

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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



**PARISHES OF
 ST. PIUS X, ALDERLEY EDGE,
 ST. BENEDICT’S, HANDFORTH &
 SACRED HEART & ST. TERESA’S, WILMSLOW**



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr. Tony McGrath / Assistant Priest: Fr. Moses Ibeh
 Retired Priest (St. Benedict’s): Fr. William O’Riordan / Deacon (St. Benedict’s): Rev. Thomas Chrisp
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Sunday 16th February, 2025: The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 15 th Feb	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) People of the Parish
Sunday 16th Feb The 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am People of the Parish	10.00 am Nora Waldron RIP 5.30 pm People of the Parish	11.00 am People of the Parish
Monday 17 th Feb	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention
Tuesday 18 th Feb	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Celebrant’s Intention	9.30 am Celebrant’s Intention	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) Celebrant’s Intention
Wednesday 19 th Feb	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) Celebrant’s Intention	11.00 am Requiem Mass for Jennifer Smith (RIP)
Thursday 20 th Feb	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) Celebrant’s Intention	10.30 am Requiem Mass for Joan Margaret Brassell (RIP)
Friday 21 st Feb	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) Vocations to the Priesthood	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday 22 nd Feb The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd Feb The 7 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am People of the Parish	10.00 am People of the Parish 5.30 pm People of the Parish	11.00 am In Memory of Piyaseeli & Indra



St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

Food Bank Thank you for your continued support. 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.



St. Benedict's Handforth Notices

Gift Aid Donors - Tax year end and claiming of tax refunds Donations to the Sunday Collection under the Gift Aid Scheme must come from the donor's taxed income and the donor must have paid at least as much tax as the charities that the donor has donated to will reclaim. To allow the Parish to claim a tax refund, please let me know, by 5th April 2025, if your name, address or tax status has changed. I will assume that all donors have paid sufficient income tax and/or capital gains tax and will make a claim early in April if I do not hear otherwise by 5th April. Thank you. Tina Poucher (email tinapoucher@aol.com or leave a note in the sacristy for my attention)

FOODBANK items Thank you for your continued support - key priorities this week are milk, coffee/tea, biscuits, sandwich paste, soup, tinned meats, spaghetti & ravioli. Please note no perishable foods. Our collections at St Benedict's are on Saturdays between 10.00 and 11.00 whilst Hope Central at St Chads is open for donations on weekdays between 11.00 and 12.00.



St. Teresa's Wilmslow Notices

Help Wanted! Each Tuesday from noon to 1pm in Lent, the **Churches Together in Wilmslow hold a simple lunch** open to all people from the churches in Wilmslow. Usually about 60 people gather for a simple lunch of soup, bread and butter, cheese, and fruit. It is always held at Dean Row Chapel, SK9 2BT, where there is plenty of parking. The Dean Row chapel members would set up the room for lunch. It is good for us to take our part in building friendships among other Christians in the town, therefore at the recent Churches Together in Wilmslow meeting I committed Sacred Heart & St Teresa's to providing the food mentioned above (two types of soup with one being vegetarian) plus napkins on **Tuesday 1st April 2025**. The parish would pay for the food and other items purchased. The Wilmslow URC Church have also offered to assist us on 1st April with this. The suggested donation of those who attend is £5 which goes to Christian Aid. I am asking for a volunteer or two from Sacred Heart & St Teresa's who could organise and co-ordinate this ecumenical lunch. Contacts can be given for more information. If you might be willing to assist with this please speak to Fr Tony or email the parish. Many thanks, Fr Tony

Marian Statue We are hoping to put in place a Marian statue in the garden outside our parish hall to express our faith, devotion and gratitude to Our Lady. We would welcome and be grateful for any help from our parishioners for this project to leave a lasting legacy in our parish. If you would like to get involved, share ideas, or have professional contacts who may be able to help with the installation, we would be delighted to hear from you.

FOODBANK Please see Hope Central collection times & needed items above. Items can also be left in the box in our church porch.

Sunday's Gospel Reading is taken from Luke 6:17, 20-26

'Blessed are you who are poor. Woe to you who are rich.'

At that time: Jesus came down with the Twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and spurn your name as evil on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.'

Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

• **Lay Chaplain Vacancy – St. James' Catholic High School, Cheadle**

The governors of the school wish to appoint an outstanding, dynamic and highly motivated Lay Chaplain to begin in April 2025 or sooner. For more information please visit: <https://www.stjamescheadle.co.uk/jobs>

• **Deputy Director of Schools Recruitment**

A recruitment process for the Deputy Director of Schools is now underway, further details of which can be found here <https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/deputy-director-of-schools-birkenhead-2171685>
If you would like further information or candidate pack and application form please contact Liam Dowds, our Emmaus Advising Consultant, on 01737 652 043 or email him at ldowds@emmausleadership.me

• **Marriage Care are looking for volunteers**

Are you looking for some rewarding voluntary work? Marriage Care, a national charity, assists parishes to prepare couples for marriage. We are looking for help in presenting our one day marriage preparation courses and/ or providing marriage preparation online. We aim to provide the best possible opportunity for couples to prepare for a lifelong, loving marriage. We focus on topics such as: exploring expectations; communication; conflict management; sacrament of marriage, vows and promises; nurturing the relationship. Would you be able to help? We are looking for both male and female volunteers. We provide training and ongoing support to equip you to work as part of a team. For further information, go to <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/get-involved/> or contact John Worth, Centre co-ordinator, Stockport Marriage Care, on 0161 494 6428.

• **From Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality**

There will be a meeting of Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality at St Columba's Church (Newman Room), Plas Newton Lane Chester CH2 1SA on Saturday 1st March at 2.00pm. Please forward any apologies, or items to be discussed under AOB, to the following email address: secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk