

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

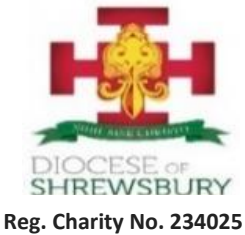
For the Sacrament of Reconciliation – on request after the 5.30 pm Sunday Mass.
 For the Sacrament of Baptism - Deacon Tom Chrisp is available after the 10 am Sunday Mass. He can also be contacted by telephone (M: 07925 072270). Baptisms take place after the Sunday 10 am Mass.
 For the Newsletter – please 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	Merry Lylyana 07501-696-768
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 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
**S T. 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 August, 2026: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

	 St Pius X, Alderley Edge	 St Benedict’s, Handforth	 Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 15 th Aug <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (<i>Celeb’s Int</i>) Adoration 10 – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 16 th Aug <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.00 am • Kate Burrows (for recovery after a stroke) • Patricia Foulds RIP	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30 pm <i>Private Intention</i>	11.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 17 th Aug <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Thanksgiving</i>
Tuesday 18 th Aug <i>Ferial</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i> Missal tone sung Mass in English & Latin
Wednesday 19 th Aug <i>Ferial</i>	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Lianne Lyne Intentions</i>
Thursday 20 th Aug <i>St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church</i>	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Friday 21 st Aug <i>St Pius X, Pope</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Feast of St Pius X</i>	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday 22 nd Aug <i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (<i>Celeb’s Int</i>) Adoration 10 – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 23 rd Aug <i>The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00 am Helen Barratt Bee (For recovery)	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am Mark & Rachel Grayson (25 th Wedding Anniversary)



St Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

Kate Burrows  Let us continue to keep Kate in our prayers as she slowly recovers from a stroke. She welcomes parishioner visitors to the hospital. If you would like to arrange a visit, please call her son Jonathan on 07740406486.

August Coffee Morning Thanks in particular for the extra special cakes which were so well received. A high bar for our next morning on September 6th!

Weekly Reflection sees the sixth & final in the series on Saints & Place names - about St Helier.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2027 Parents who wish their child to prepare to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion please contact Sheila Wignall to register your interest: email - sherlockwignall@gmail.com; phone - 01625474719 or 07368106580. Classes will commence on Sunday 4th October 2026 in Saint Pius Church Hall immediately following 9am Mass. Classes will be held approximately every third Sunday and last for one hour. First Holy Communion will be celebrated at 9am Mass on Sun 2nd May 2027.

Food Bank Non-perishable items can be left in the church porch box. *Thank you.*

FOODBANK St Benedict's Handforth and Sacred Heart & St. Teresa's Wilmslow

Collection for Hope Central Foodbank & 'My pantry,' Saturdays between 10 am – 11 am at St Benedict's Church car park. Priority foodbank items for this week, please help if you can:

Tinned Meat, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Fruit, Eggs, Long-life Milk, Plastic Carrier Bags

NB – no perishable foods. You can also donate direct to the Foodbank (side door at St Chads) from 11 am – 12 pm on weekdays except Tuesday.

Items can also be left in the box in St Teresa's church porch. *Thank You*



St Benedict's Handforth Notices

A Message for all Volunteers at St Benedict's - Please could every person who volunteers in any way at St Benedict's and who does not hold a parish DBS, now collect two forms from the sacristy. One form is to be read, signed and returned to the sacristy. The second is a safeguarding leaflet to be read and kept. This is to be completed as part of an initiative guided by the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency and forms part of the diocesan safer recruitment, while strengthening the safeguarding awareness and knowledge in our community. It ensures that every parish volunteer is informed of basic safeguarding awareness and the necessity for referring safeguarding matters, whether they are significant or low-level concerns.

Reading the leaflet and returning the signed form is identified as completing Level 1 Safeguarding Training. Many thanks for your co-operation with this initiative. All available e-learning safeguarding modules can be accessed here <https://training.catholicsafeguarding.org.uk/> *Fr Tony (parish priest) and Eithne (parish safeguarding representative).*

Piety Stall Apologies if the Piety Stall is closed during August/September. This is unavoidable due to holidays. Cards can still be purchased & money placed in the wall safe adjacent to the card display. If you can help manage the stall, please contact Christine on 07854756662.

'He who is mighty has done great things for me; he has exalted those of humble estate.'



'In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.'

CAFOD school volunteers needed!

Could you visit your local Catholic school to talk about the work of CAFOD? We are looking for volunteers to deliver school assemblies and workshops and inspire children and young people to make a difference and take action. For further information please contact Anna Letizia on 07710 094449 or email alletizia@cafod.org.uk

Renewed Threat of Assisted Suicide on 11th September

The *Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill* is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted suicide. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026. Please write to your MP to make your voice heard and oppose the Bill.

"This bill is wrong in principle," says Archbishop Richard Moth, President of the Bishops' Conference, "It is also deeply flawed and, if passed, could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives. The Bill has a serious lack of protection for health and social care staff and risks putting many wonderful hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. I urge you to write to your Members of Parliament to petition them to vote against the Bill at Second Reading."

You can support the Archbishop's call and contact your MP now as a matter of urgency. Even if you have already done so in the past, please speak up and voice your opposition. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to do this. It takes little more than a few minutes to enter your postcode, make sure the suggested text suits your viewpoint and submit your message to ask your MP to stop this flawed Bill progressing through parliament.

For more information and resources, please visit: cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide & righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote