



Newsletter for the Parishes of:

Our Lady and the Apostles, St. Ambrose and St. Vincent de Paul

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Sunday 22nd November, 2020 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Cardinal Nichols assures us that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is removed during these emergency circumstances. You can participate in these Masses via this Live Stream link:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport>

Date	Feast	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Sun 22 nd Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	10.00am	Our Parish Families
Mon 23 rd Nov	Ferial (Ss. Clement and Columban)	10.00am	Margaret Hales
Tues 24 th Nov	Ss. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions	10.00am	Dec'd members of Moore family
Wed 25 th Nov	Ferial (St. Catherine of Alexandria)	10.00am	Dec'd members of Callaghan family
Thurs 26 th Nov	Ferial	10.00am	Victoria Russell thanksgiving for successful operation and speedy recovery
Fri 27 th Nov	Ferial	10.00am	David Hayes
Sat 28 th Nov	Ferial (Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday) MEMORIAL MASS	10.00am	All deceased relatives and friends, especially those who have died this year
Sun 29 th Nov	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	10.00am	Our Parish Families

Our Lady and the Apostles Church will open for **Private Prayer** with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from **10.45am to 12 noon**. You may pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am via Live Stream. If you would like to receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during that time, please tell one of the stewards who will let me know.

The Blessed Sacrament will also be exposed between 9am and 10am and you can adore at home via the live stream.

St. Vincent's Church will open for **Private Prayer** on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 10.00am to 11.00am.

We are grateful to all the volunteers who are stewards and allow our churches to open for private prayer.

Please pray for:

The Sick

In St. Vincent's: We remember in our prayers all the intentions on the **St. Vincent's** Prayer Board. If you would like a copy of the list and have not received one by email or post, please contact Jane Roberts on 0161 439 4326.

In Our Lady's: Nora Reade, Tommy Higgins, Marie Kenefick, Eileen Mains, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Diana Aldred, Michael Heath, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Mary Brett, George E. Smith, Vivienne Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Ronald Fury, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Catherine Tracey, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Matthew Donegani, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon and Sean O'Callaghan.

In St. Ambrose's: Jackie Doggett, Mary Andrusiak, Carl Stanley, C. Wootton, Mary Sein, Paul Thuoc, Barry Lloyd, Andrew Way, Mary Young, Paul Righini, Irene Walker, Veronica Norbury, John Holt, Imelda Judge, Veronica Lane, Joanna Winter, Pat Judge, Paul McClure, Helen Jenkins and Marie Hughes.

Lately Dead

Edith Harper

Harry Sparks

Anniversaries

Angela Pugh, Gerald Pinnington, Vincent Gerald Adamson, Thomas Joseph Connell, Lucy Ann Core, Christopher Doherty, Aleksander Hertsko, Annie McKee, Georgina Webb, Joe Selby, Frank Maguire, Samuel Fidler, Eileen Fleming and Mary Hawcroft. May they rest in peace.

Fr. Martin writes: During this period of national lockdown (or retreat, as we choose to call it) we have seen so many join us for the virtual Masses via the parish link provided. Some are thrilled to have managed to join for the very first time! Please may we continue to help those who struggle with the technology to worship with us? It is also been heart-warming to see so many visiting the Lord for private prayers and some for Confessions. This week, as we come to the end of the month of the Holy Souls during which we have offered daily Masses for all our loved ones whose names are on our altar, we will be offering a special Mass on **November 28th** for them all, especially those who died recently in our three parishes. We trust that you have sent us all the names, and that you will be joining us and inviting family and friends to join us for that Mass. Wishing us all a happy feast of Christ the King as we welcome the new liturgical year (hopefully a grace-filled and joyful one!) with the First Sunday of Advent next week. God bless!



Suspension of Public Worship until 2nd December: During this health emergency the celebration of Mass on Sundays, Holy Days and weekdays will continue to take place without a public congregation, and you are encouraged to unite yourself spiritually to the daily offering Mass. This might be helped by participating in the live streaming of the Holy Mass, following its prayers at home and making an act of Spiritual Communion. St. Thomas Aquinas described this act of Spiritual Communion as “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him.”

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

On **Saturday 28th November**, I will celebrate a **Memorial Mass** for the souls of everyone whose funeral was celebrated in Our Lady's, St. Ambrose's or St. Vincent's during the past twelve months. This year, we are unable to welcome families and friends back into our churches due to the lockdown, but extend a very warm, virtual welcome to all the recently bereaved and hope that they join us on November 28th via the live stream, whose link is at the top of this newsletter. Please may I rely on you all to spread the word about this Mass to those who may not receive the newsletter?

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** is still a very active presence in Our Lady's. If anyone, parishioners or not, any religion or none at all, would like support or help from them, perhaps a call or chat, particularly at this time of a second lockdown, please let Dennis know on 0161 485 1256. Maybe you have some time to spare and would like to join them in helping others? If so, as above, please ring Dennis.



Caritas at Christmas Appeal 2020: Christmas is hard for many in our communities which is why Caritas asks for your support to help them to provide food and gifts for those most in need in Shrewsbury Diocese this Christmas. Please either drop an envelope marked 'Caritas' in to the presbytery or send a cheque payable to 'Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury' to: Caritas, Wheatland Lane, Wallasey, Wirral, CH44 7ED

Clergy Education & Training Fund - Special Collection: Today the annual Collection for the Clergy Education & Training Fund is being held. On the training and formation of Priests, the future of our Diocese so much depends, and you will be able to read more about this fund and how to donate online by visiting:

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund>

These are the links to use for online giving to the Parishes:

Our Lady's: <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/ourladyandtheapostlesdioceseofshrewsbury2127>

St. Ambrose's: <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stambroseadswooddioceseofshrewsbury2185>

St. Vincent's: <https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stvincentdepaulbramhalldioceseofshrewsbury2608>

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