Newsletter for the Parishes of:

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Sunday 14th February 2021 <u>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

We are glad we can still gather to celebrate the Eucharist! We are assured, nevertheless, 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 (For Our Lady's church) OR click on https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport (For Our Lady's church) OR click on https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport (For Our Lady's church) OR click on https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport (For both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')

IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES, WE ASK THAT YOU WEAR A FACE COVERING AT MASS

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sun 14 th Feb	6 th Sunday in Ordinary	5.30pm	Vigil Mass Sat. St. Ambrose'	Our Parish Family
DAY OF SPECIAL	Time	7.00pm	Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's	Norah Murphy
PRAYER FOR THE		9.30am	St. Vincent's	Michael and Deirdre O'Kane
UNEMPLOYED		11.00am	Our Lady's	Our Parish Family
Mon 15 th Feb	Ferial	9.30am	St. Ambrose	Neville Harrop
		7.00pm	Our Lady's	Julie and Patrick Moore
Tues 16 th Feb	Ferial	9.30am	Our Lady's	The Ronchetti Family
Wed 17th Feb		9.30am	St. Vincent's	Tommy Ward RIP
Day of Fasting	ASH WEDNESDAY	6.00pm	St. Ambrose	John Loughlan RIP
and Abstinence		7.00pm	Our Lady's	Our Parish Family
Thurs 18 th Feb	Thursday after Ash	9.30am	St. Ambrose's	Margaret Donoghue
	Wednesday			
Fri 19 th Feb	Friday after Ash	9.30am	St. Vincent's	Holy Souls
	Wednesday			
Sat 20 th Feb	Saturday after Ash	9.30am	Our Lady's	Bernard and Bridget Jack
	Wednesday			
Sun 21st Feb	First Sunday of Lent	5.30pm	Vigil Mass Sat. St. Ambrose'	Our Parish Family
		7.00pm	Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's	Our Parish Family
		9.30am	St. Vincent's	Our Parish Family
		11.00am	Our Lady's	Mary Ward RIP

There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every morning 8.30 - 9.30am** (before Holy Mass). The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available after the 9.30am Mass on Saturday and by request.

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: Denise Corlett, Elaine Hallworth, Nora Reade, Tommy Higgins, Marie Kenefick, Eileen Mains, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Michael Heath, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Mary Brett, George E. Smith, Viviene Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Ronald Fury, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Catherine Tracey, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon and Sean O'Callaghan.

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

Lately Dead

Kenneth Yates

Anniversaries

Joseph Arthur Bennett, Alfred Aidan Finchett, Henry O'Brien, Teresa Arden, Julia Moore, Thomas O'Brien, Norah Murphy, Paddy Langan, John O'Brien, Margaret Kenny, John Vincent Donohue, John Short, Edward Giblin, Ron Wilde, Lucy Swindells, Mary Molloy, Clara Gee, Jack Cavanagh, Nora Burns, Mary Josephine Aitken, Peter Edward Humphries, Jack O'Gara, and Patricia Iredale. May they all rest in peace.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: 'Knowing by experience St Joseph's astonishing influence with God, I would wish to persuade everyone to honour him with particular devotion. I have always seen those who honoured him in a special manner make progress in virtue, for this heavenly protector favours in a special manner the spiritual advancement of souls who commend themselves to him.' (St Teresa of Avila) We now have set up little altars with the statue of St Joseph by the sanctuaries of our three churches in time for our preparations for consecration which begins after the 7pm Mass on Monday, the 15th. Our guide for this is Fr. D. Calloway's book, **Consecration to St Joseph**. We will try to offer short reflections (please get in touch if you would like to lead one of the days), based on the book, and conclude with prayers to St Joseph.

We look forward to Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent 2021. Some Guidelines:

- 1. Please endeavour to arrive in time. We will be sticking to the capacity of each church, and it will be on first come first served bases. So you may be asked to go to a later Mass.
- 2. After the post communion prayer, Deacon Moses and myself will be on either side of the sanctuary. The stewards will direct you to receive the ashes first and then proceed for communion at the other end. As advised, the ashes will be dropped lightly on the hair without any contact. If you prefer not to have the ashes, please proceed straight for Holy Communion.
- 3. Remember the obligation to attend Mass in person remains lifted. So feel free to join us on the livestream.

God bless us all, as I wish us a fruitful and reinvigorating season of Lent. Fr. Martin

PLANNED PROGRAMMES FOR LENT:

Consecration to St Joseph: 15th Feb – 19th March (7.30pm each day)

A zoom interactive Way of the Cross - on the Wednesdays throughout Lent.

Wednesday 24th February

Jesus is condemned, Jesus takes up the cross, The first fall

Wednesday 3rd March

Jesus meets his mother, Simon helps Jesus, Veronica

Wednesday 10th March Jesus falls the second time, The women weep for Jesus, Jesus falls a third time

Wednesday 17th March Jesus is stripped, He is nailed to the cross, Jesus Dies

Wednesday 24th March Jesus is taken down, Jesus is laid in the Tomb

Road to Emmaus book group at St Vincent's will be reading and discussing Fr. Dennis McBride's book "Journeying with Jesus - a companion's guide". Please go to the Upcoming Events tab on the St. Vincent's website for **22**nd **February** for more details.

Taize evening on Zoom - 9th March 7.30pm - music and prayers during Lent.

Holy Week Stations of the Cross on Zoom - 30th March 7.30pm

This Lent, **CAFOD** invites you and the whole Catholic community of England and Wales to join the **Big Walk for Water** virtual event. Help give the boot to water poverty across the world by walking a 5-mile route on Saturday 20th February at 2pm. Or you may wish to commit to the Walk for Water 40-day, 10,000 steps every day, challenge throughout Lent. To find out more about either of these fund-raisers, please visit https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Walk-for-Water

Family Fast Day will be on Friday 26th February.

Children's Liturgy via Zoom is at 10am every Sunday. For more details please follow us on our Facebook page - Our Lady's children's liturgy - or email with any queries to liturgyourladys@gmail.com Look forward to seeing you there!

Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team - Online Ministry To find them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram search for @Shrewsbury_ymt or on YouTube by searching for Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – SYMT, don't forget to subscribe so you know when they go live or release new content.

ST. VINCENT'S, BRAMHALL: Paul Wingate passes on his thanks for the 34 rosaries received so far. A package has already been sent overseas. If anyone still wishes to contribute but can't drop them off at church, they can contact him on 07906 406884 to arrange collection.

Date for your diaries Churches Together in Bramhall and Woodford: **World Day of Prayer - Friday March 5th.** This year the prayers will be led by St Michael's, Bramhall. It will be a live internet broadcast at 2pm that day. More details to follow.

These are the links for online giving to the Parishes:

For **Our Lady's** parishioners, the link is:

https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/ourladyandtheapostlesdioceseofshrewsbury2127

For **St. Ambrose** parishioners, the link is:

https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stambroseadswooddioceseofshrewsbury2185

For **St. Vincent's** parishioners, the link is:

https://investmycommunity.com/not-logged-donator/page/stvincentdepaulbramhalldioceseofshrewsbury2608

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