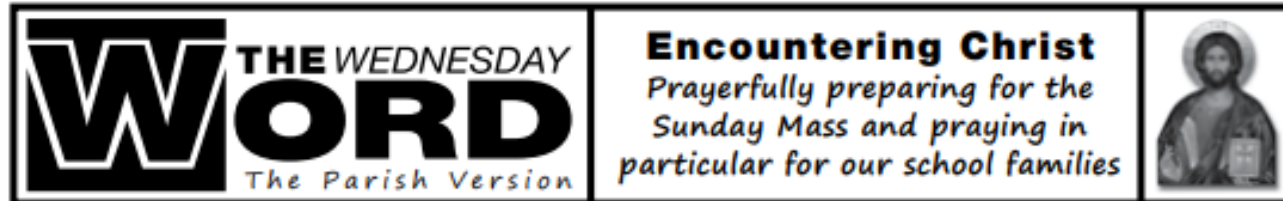


Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - A WEEKLY PRAYER CUSTOM



Preparing for the Mass of Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - Corpus Christi - The Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord

## 1 Relax & Remember

Set aside 10-15 minutes and create a suitable environment by removing any distractions. Make sure that you are comfortable. Perhaps light a candle. Make the sign of the cross † and remain still for a minute of settling silence. **Call to mind the love that God has for you.** Remember that through this scripture our Lord is truly present. Then read the Gospel, preferably aloud and slowly, and pay attention to any words that stand out. If any do, meditate on them for a few minutes and be invited into a dialogue with God.



## 2 Read

**Taken from the Gospel for 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022 (Luke 9:11-17): Jesus Gives Food to the Crowds**

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing. It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, "Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here." He replied, "Give them something to eat yourselves." But they said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people." For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, "Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

## 3 Reflect

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

On the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ should we not have the gospel reading about the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper? No, the Church puts before us this reading of the wonderful gift of food from Jesus. It is a sort of open-air picnic Eucharist. It begins with Jesus talking to the crowd about the Kingdom of God; this is what happens in the earlier part of our Eucharist, as we listen to the Word in the readings and to the homily which interprets the Word for us. Then the Lord heals those who are in need of healing, and that means all of us, for we are always in need of healing in various ways. Only then does Jesus raise his eyes to heaven, bless the bread and distribute it, just as he gives himself to us in the Eucharist. A sign of the generosity and plenty of Jesus' gifts in the Eucharist is represented by the twelve baskets of left-overs, ready for consumption by the twelve tribes of the new Israel. In the same way, on the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ we share joyfully in the sustenance which Jesus gives to us and to the huge numbers of his followers across the world. **How can I participate more fully in Jesus' gift of the Eucharist? Perhaps I could make better preparation before Mass begins; take time for reflection afterwards; give fuller attention during the Mass.**

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB



## 4 Respond & Request

Now slowly and prayerfully read the Gospel once again but this time in silence. Consider how this Gospel could apply to your life in general. Then thank God for any insight you may have received. Conclude by asking God to bless you with one of the following spiritual gifts to help you act on any resolution you have made: love, understanding, wisdom, faithfulness, peace, self control, patience, or joy. Please remember to pray for the Church and particularly our school families. Then conclude by requesting the prayers of Our Lady & St Joseph.



The Wednesday Word is under the patronage of St Joseph, Patron Saint of Families and Protector of the Church  
Within the tradition of the Catholic Church, each Wednesday is dedicated to St Joseph

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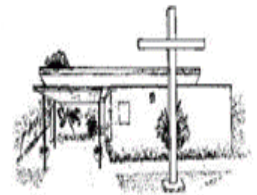
## Newsletter for the Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles, St. Ambrose and St. Vincent de Paul

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## 12th JUNE 2022 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

You can join us via this Live Stream link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport> (for Our Lady's church)  
OR click on [tinyurl.com/stockportparishes](http://tinyurl.com/stockportparishes) or [Stockport Parishes - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StockportParishes) (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose's)  
**(MASKS ARE NO LONGER MANDATORY BUT RECOMMENDED. PLEASE USE THE HAND SANITISER).**



Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sun 12th June	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	5.30pm 7.00pm  9.30am  11.00am	Vigil Mass Sat. <b>St Ambrose</b> Vigil Mass Sat. <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>St Vincent's (International Mass)</b>  <b>Our Lady's (1st Holy Communion)</b>	Our Parish Family William (Bill) Lloyd (Thanksgiving)  Our Parish Family  Pat & Ken Whitehead RIP
Mon 13th June	St Anthony of Padua, P. D.	9.30am	<b>St. Ambrose</b>	Barbara Murphy (Sick)
Tues 14th June	Ferial	9.30am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Mary Dean (Ann)
Wed 15th June	Ferial	9.30am	<b>St Vincent's</b>	Chief Ambrose Chukwumah (Birthday Remembrance)
Thurs 16th June	Ferial	9.30am 7.00pm	<b>St Ambrose</b> <b>No evening mass at Our Lady's - Garden Mass at 47 Kimberley Street SK3 8EB</b>	Holy Souls Celestina Onuoha (RIP)
Fri 17th June	Ferial	09:30am 12 Midday	<b>St Vincent's</b> <b>Requiem Mass (Our Lady's)</b>	Barry Cropper RIP Elizabeth Mullin RIP
Sat 18th June	FERIAL  VIGIL MASS OF SUNDAY MEMORIAL BVM	9.30 am  5.30pm 7.00pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>Vigil Mass Sat. St Ambrose</b> <b>Vigil Mass Sat. Our Lady's (1st Holy Communion)</b>	Liz Mullen RIP (B/D)  Our Parish Family John & Madelaine Sexton (Ann)
Sun 19th June (Day for Life retiring collection)	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST <i>Special Day of Prayer for Life</i>	9.30am 11.00am	<b>St Vincent's—Baptism</b> <b>Our Lady's (1st Holy Communion)</b>	Baptism Aoife Morrin Albert Werber (RIP)

There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every weekday morning from 8:30am—0930hrs.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after 9.30am Mass on Saturday morning and by appointment.

*Please pray for those preparing to receive the sacraments:*

**Baptisms:** New Baptism classes will be 31st of July.

**First Holy Communion:** Preparations continue in school and at Our Lady's church at the 11am Mass.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):** *Congratulations to the seven people recently received/baptised into the Church!* Are you or anyone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church or wish to know more about the Catholic faith? Please join us after the 11am Mass every Sunday at Our Lady's.



### Sick List

**In St. Vincent's:** We remember in our prayers all the intentions on the St. Vincent's Prayer Board. Please add your intentions to the Prayer Board in church and you can see who is in need of our prayers on our website under "Thoughts for the week".

**In Our Lady's:** Veronica Morrissey, Barbara Murphy, Michelle Philips, Lucile Ebbs, Maureen Brosnahan, Kelly Brosnahan, Zach Tierney, Irene Cox, Lee Abernathy, Janice Cook, Eileen Melia, Annie Topping, Theresa Burrows, Josephine O'Hagan, Denise Corlet, Nora Reade, Marie Kenefick, Eileen Mains, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Michael Heath, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Vivienne Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Ronald Fury, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O'Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Kathleen Bond, Jordan Harris, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon, and Shelagh Lees.

**In St. Ambrose's:** June Campbell, Mavis Doggett, 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.

**Recently Departed:** Elizabeth Mullen, Sean O'Callaghan. May the souls of all our recently departed rest in peace.

### Anniversaries

Mary Dean, Brigid Hynes, James Moore, Margaret Patricia Whitehead, Kathleen Hughes, Catherine Joyce, Linda McBride, Micheal Crowley, Una O'Sullivan, Vera Davies, Patricia McGowan, Michael Anthony Morris, Roy Daniels, Ann McDonough, William Burrows, Fr Hugh Birdwhistle, John (Ken), Mary Theresa Donoghue, Anthony Horan, Barbara Rigby.

During **June:** we pray that **Christian Families** around the world may embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

**DIOCESAN VACANCIES:** Two vacancies have arisen within the Diocese of Shrewsbury. PA to the Director of Schools and Team member for the Shrewsbury Youth Mission team. Details for both posts can be found on the Diocesan website [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies) Closing date Friday 24 June. Applications should be sent to Pauline McCulloch via email [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org).

**Stella Maris School - Heaton Mersey KS 2 Teacher - for September 2022** part-time (5 mornings) position, but could become a full-time position. Please register your interest with the school office, by email, addressing your correspondence for the attention of the Headteacher at [office@stellamarisschool.co.uk](mailto:office@stellamarisschool.co.uk)

**Lourdes** - Overland by Jumbulance 14 July to 23rd July Helpers and nurses/Doctor required. £950—half price for nurses and young people—financial help available. Contact Tony Murphy 07881656974

**Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality** -The next meeting of the Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be on the 16th June 2022 at 7.30pm.

Zoom link <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86256159936pwd=QXgxLzgvV1diWmppNWVSL3dtZWRSZz09> Meeting ID: 8625 615 9936. See **Bingo leaflet** at the notice board.

**Friends of Stockport InterFaith meeting** is taking place on the 16th June, 7pm at Heaton Moor United Church, our guest speaker is Rev Ian Rutherford, City Centre Minister based at Manchester Central Hall Manchester. Ian is committed to civic engagement and chairs a number of social justice organisations including the Greater Manchester Homelessness Faith Network.

**The Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)** is an international Christian voluntary organisation dedicated to help people with needs and disadvantages by offering practical assistance to them. There will be a collection box at the door after Mass to raise much needed finance for this vital work. If any parishioners or their families wish to seek help, the members will be pleased to hear from them. The SVP is seeking for new members 07504 130749.

**Timothy Cho, North Korean Escapee** On Friday July 1st at 8pm following Adoration, Timothy Cho will be speaking at St Peter's Church in Hazel Grove. Timothy was born in North Korea, escaped twice, and imprisoned four times during his persevering journey. Timothy says: "It's been a very long journey—But God has never left me alone. I still remember the moment of my first prayer to God in Shanghai prison cell. It was a very dark, scary, terrifying and hopeless prison cell I realised I couldn't achieve freedom by myself. Kneeling to God for my survival and freedom was my last hope. Suffering doesn't destroy our faith but refines it. God is worth trusting and we never say it's impossible - because God makes all things possible! We expect to finish at 9.30pm for refreshments over in the meeting room. All are very welcome.

**Second Collections- Day for Life** will be on the 19th of June.

**Last weekend's collections** (excludes standing orders): **OLATA—£520.40 St Vincent- St Ambrose THANK YOU.** **Offertory envelopes** can be obtained from the Parish Office or see links for online giving to the Parishes: Please check our websites.

**NIGERIA CHURCH ATTACK: WHEN SUFFERING IS OVERLOOKED**—The terrible massacre carried out on Pentecost Sunday on a Catholic church in Nigeria has received very little coverage in the global mass media, which reveals the existence of a “second-class suffering” that induces further suffering and is accompanied by a sense of feeling forgotten due to seeing pain as not deserving worldwide attention....’ - Vatican News (<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2022-06/nigeria-owo-catholic-church-attack-grief-editorial.html>)

**STATEMENT FROM CARDINAL DOLAN ON THE HORRIFIC ATTACK IN NIGERIA** (New York, NY) ‘The brutal and senseless attack at Saint Francis Catholic Church in Owo, Ondo State, Nigeria yesterday is another in a growing number of attacks on Christians in Nigeria. Yesterday’s attack was especially horrific, as at least 50 worshippers were slaughtered merely for gathering to celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost, traditionally recognized as the “birthday of the Church.” We pray for the repose of the souls of those who lost their lives in this attack, and for the comfort of all who mourn for them.... At the same time, we call on the world community, to take notice of this rising tide of anti-Catholic and anti-Christian attacks taking place in Nigeria, and work to restore protection for the fundamental right of religious liberty wherever and whenever it is threatened.’

### **OUR LADY'S GROTTO:**

Many thanks to Henry, Dennis, Angela, and all who helped in giving our beautiful grotto a facelift. It surely looks more inviting and offers such a serene and decorous atmosphere for prayer and spiritual rest. We are all invited to use it with the reverence it deserves. Thank you.

**CONSECRATION TO JESUS, THE INCARNATE WISDOM, THROUGH MARY:** The printed consecration prayers are at the back of our churches if we you want to sign and keep one.



### Our Lady's News

**Sean O'Callaghan** funeral arrangements:- Thu 23 June, 11am mass at Our Lady & Apostles. Burial at Mill Lane Cemetery, Cheadle, at 12.15. Reception at The Ashlea pub facing the cemetery gates at 12.45. All welcome, with thanks .

**Lost and hoping to be Found.** If you find any of our Parish Mass books, Laudate Hymn Books or Order of Mass Cards in your homes, cars or green house, please would you return it to mass next time you come. That would be great. Thank you. **Ian & Cath's Family Group** are meeting for a Queens Jubilee Celebration in the Guild Room on Tuesday 14th June from 7pm. There will be party food, bunting and balloons as well as music and a quiz, finishing the evening with the usual game of bingo for the hamper prize.

**The Piety Stall**—is now open for cards and gifts, and a selection of rosary beads. **Children's Liturgy & 1st Communion Preparation Classes** - will take place during the 11am Mass. Please bring the children to learn and pray with us.

**TEA & COFFEE** – Join us for tea and coffee after 11am Mass.

### St Ambrose News

**Books-** There is a Library at the back of church with a good selection of books available to borrow. Feel free to have a look and write your name in the register supplied to record any book borrowed. Thank you.

### St Vincent News

**International Mass** - this Sunday, please stay for refreshments after Mass and come in your native country's colours. Finger food donations welcome—bring your country's favourite dish to share! Thank you.

**Monday 13th** 10am Service of Word and Communion - no Knit and Natter this week

**Emmaus Book Group** - 7.30pm on Monday 13th on Zoom

The funeral Mass for Anna Highfield, a long time parishioner, will be on Monday 20th June at 10.30am

**Afternoon Tea on the Mary Sunley Canal Boat** 17.7.2022. 12 MD—4 pm. £20 per person. Only 2 places left. Please give Lucy or Neal your deposit of £10 at your earliest convenience and let Lucy know of any dietary requirements.

**Ultimate Book Club**—John Harrington will present our penultimate book on Sunday 3 July at 2pm in Centrepont next to Bramhall Methodist Church. Entry is free and includes refreshments.

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