

I bring you Good News of Great Joy Luke 2:10

Let's celebrate our reason to be 3 Parishes here in Stockport.



Christmas Mass Times 2023

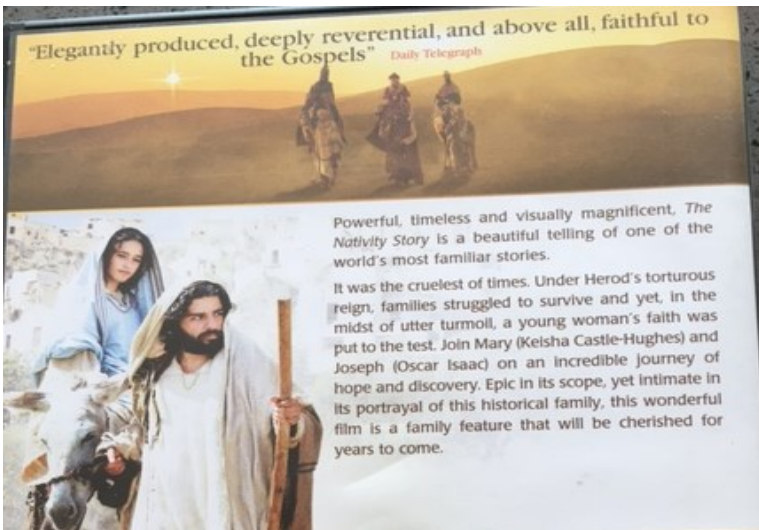
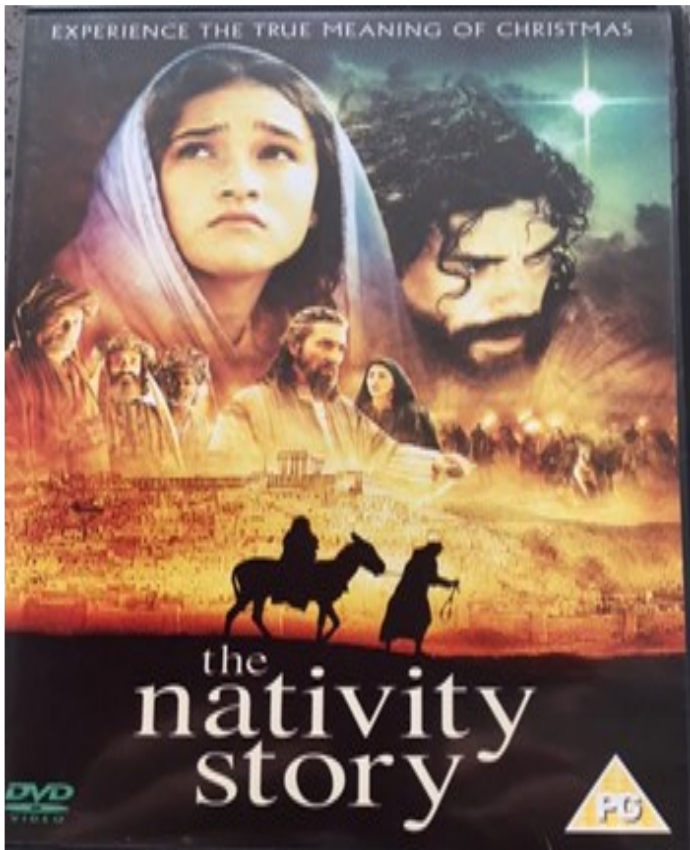
24th December 2023

4.00pm St. Ambrose Children's Mass
4.30pm St. Vincent's Children's Mass
4.45 pm (5pm Mass) Our Lady's, Carols & Children's Mass
Midnight Mass Our Lady's Midnight Mass

25th December 2023

9.15am (9.30am Mass) St.Vincent's, Carols & Mass at 9.30am
9.45am (10.00am Mass) St. Ambrose, Carols & Mass at 10.00am
10.45am (11am Mass) Our Lady's, Carols & Mass at 11 am.

Hot Pot & Film Afternoon
Sunday 26 November 2023
All Proceeds to Fr Martins Medical Mission



Film starts 4pm doors open 3:30hrs.

Film duration 97 minutes followed by Hot Pot Supper.

Venue - St Vincent's Church Handley Road SK7 3EX

Enjoy a late afternoon film to introduce the

Christmas Season followed by a Hot Pot Supper.

Suggested donation for film and food £10 for

Newsletter for the Parishes of
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, 26 NOVEMBER 2023

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 or [Stockport Parishes - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqWz8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8) (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sunday 26th November	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE Day of Special Prayer for Young People	6.30pm	Vigil Mass Our Lady's St Ambrose	Our Parish Family
		8.30am		Darren and Laura (quick recovery
		9.45am	St Vincent's	Sheila and Phil Hindle Birthday and Ann.
		11.00am	Our Lady's	Enrolment Mass - Year 3 Sacramental Programme World Peace and End of Wars
		1pm	Our Lady's Baptism	Baptism—Luca Peter Thompson
Monday 27th November	Ferial	9.30am	St. Ambrose	Mary Ryan RIP
		12am	St Vincent's	Requiem Funeral Mass for Mary Ryan
Tuesday 28th November	Ferial	9.30am	Our Lady's	George Bockenheimer RIP
		11am	Our Lady's	Funeral Service for Susan Margaret Mills
Wednesday 29th November	St Andrew, Patron of Scotland	9:30am	St Vincent's	Pat Byrne & the Late Jolin Paul Byrne (65th Wedding Ann)
		12.15pm	Aquinas College	Mass preceded by Adoration
Thursday 30th November	Ferial	9.30am	St Ambrose	Ceris Jones (Private Int.)
		7pm	Our Lady's	Gerry O'Leary RIP
Friday 1st December	Ferial	9.30am	St Vincent's	Maurice Higgins (Ann)
Saturday 2nd December	Ferial	9.30am	Our Lady's	Ada Tyrer RIP
		6.30pm	Vigil Mass Our Lady's	Tomasz Mamakki
Sunday 3rd December	THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Day of Special Prayer for all Migrants and Refugees	8.30am	St Ambrose	End of All Wars and World Peace
		9.45am	St Vincent's	Margaret Conway (Spec Int)
		11.00am	Our Lady's	Andrew Callaghan (Ann)
		1pm	Our Lady's	Igbo Mass - Thanksgiving

There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before every weekday morning Mass 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 start in 2024. First Holy Communion: next date to be announced.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): 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.

CONFIRMATION: 7PM, 16th May 2024 at Our Lady's.

SAFEGUARDING LEADS FOR THE THREE PARISHES :- St Vincent's-Judy Carey carey.judith@yahoo.com OLATA
Ged Murtagh -geraldmurtagh@outlook.com St Ambrose—Karen Tatton thetattons@ntlworld.com

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: Mary Metcalfe, Taya, Angela Mullin, Hayden Longworth, Peter Stanway, Julie Scanlan, McKenzie Kiely, Paul-ine Hinson, Eileen McGahan, Veronica Morrissey, Barbara Murphy, Michelle Philips, Maureen Brosnahan, Kelly Brosnahan, Zach Tierney, Irene Cox, Lee Abernathy, Janice Cook, Annie Topping, Theresa Burrows, Josephine O'Hagan, Denise Corlet, Nora Reade, Marie Kenefick,, Beryl Collins, Josie Vaughan, Honora Hague, Victoria Russell, Sophie Mansfield, Vivienne Goostry, John Wynne, Vincent Tracey, Veronica Gallagher, Aine O’Callaghan, Mary Murphy, Jordan Harris, Alana Walsh, Jean Egginton, Mary Glindon, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Matthew Donegani.
IN ST. AMBROSE’S: Matthew Donegani, Michael Nealon, Colin Burns, Cerys Jones, Richard Laurens, June Campbell, Mavis Doggett, Khia Whitehead, Eleanor Loftus, Mary Andrusiak, Mary Sein, Paul Thuoc, Andrew Way, Mary Young, Veronica Nor-bury, Imelda Judge, Veronica Lane, Joanna Winter, Paul McClure, Helen Jenkins, Helen Leasor, Terry Glynn, Leaf Matthieson.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: May the souls of , Susan Margaret Mills, Mary Ryan, Veronica Rendell, Margaret Pendlebury, George Bockenheim, Fr Liam Tallon,Calista Ogwuegbo, Graham Cash, Maria Harding, Kathleen Bond, Julie Whittam, Canon Ted Har-rington, Peter Ward, Carl Stanley, Eddy Saunders, Margaret Anne Kenny, Brian Lane, Chris Donovan, Patrick Moore, Deacon Tom Coyle, Marie Walker, Kate Chalmers and all the souls of all our recently departed rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Hawcroft, Annie McKee, Georgina Webb, Joe Selby, Frank Maguire, Samuel Fidler, Eileen Fleming, Kathleen Mulligan, Lynda Anderson, Timothy Robert Ascough, Steven James Neill, Mary Jewsbury, Maurice Higgins,

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2023			
<u>Christmas Eve - Sunday 24th Dec</u>	4.00pm	St. Ambrose Children’s Mass	
	4.30pm	St. Vincent’s Children’s Mass	
	5pm (4.45 pm Carols)	Our Lady’s, Children’s Mass	
	Midnight Mass	Our Lady’s	
	9.30am (9.15am Carols)	St. Ambrose	
<u>Christmas Day—Monday 25th Dec</u>	9.45am (9.30am Carols)	St. Vincent’s	
	11am (10.45am Carols)	Our Lady’s	

Eliza Bohan, Winifred Mary Ryan, Madeleine O’Connell, Vincent Gough, John Durkin, Joseph Thorley, Joan Kelly

3 NEW RCIA CANDIDATES:- have been welcomed to Our Lady’s. We look forward to having them with us at the 11am Mass eve-ry Sunday at Our Lady’s. Any new candidates considering joining or knowing more about the Catholic Church are still welcomed to join the sessions.

OUR LADY’S CHRISTMAS CRIB will be up from the last week of Advent—Please plan to spend some time with the Lord after each Mass. **ST GEORGES CHRISTMAS DISPLAY IS:** Wed 29th Nov12-6pm, Thur 30th 12-7pm, Fri 1st Dec 12-8pm, Sat 2nd 10-6pm, Sun 3rd12-4pm please pop in and take some time out to spend with the Lord.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CANDIDATES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 - First Holy Communion candidates will join the Children’s Liturgy as part of their preparation; clas-ses will begin on Sunday 7th January. Please email names to the parish office.

CONFIRMATIONS 2024 -will take place on **16th May 2024 at 7pm at Our Lady’s** for the four parishes of Our Lady and the Apos-tles, St Ambrose, St Vincent’s and St Joseph’s. Please contact the parish office if you would like to register your child.

OLATA CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP - After the 7pm Mass every Thursday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH are held before every morning Mass in our three parishes. Please join us.

CARITAS AT CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2023 - Thanks to your support last year for the Caritas Appeal, Diocese of Shrewsbury have been able to respond and provide vital support for people and families in the most vulnerable situations. As we now enter another win-ter with its uncertainties, Caritas is again at the forefront of the Diocesan social action response. 100% of your donations will go to those in the most vulnerable situations within the diocese ensuring they receive crisis food vouchers and practical support as quickly as possible when it is most needed. Please see the poster at the back of Church with a QR code for donations. You can also donate online at www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk If you aware of someone in need of assistance, please speak to Trish Spen-cer, at Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury, 0151 652 1281.

WRAP AROUND SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD 2023 - Stockport Loaves and Fishes, a charity for the homeless of Stockport, would like to make an appeal for 3rd December 2023. They are asking people to donate any of the following items which will be given to the homeless and rough sleepers in Stockport this Christmas. Please donate hats, scarves, socks, gloves, hand warmers as well as coats. Please only donate new or as good as new clothing. There will be a container at the back of Our Lady’s church for your donations.

ADVENT RETREAT DAY NEXT SATURDAY - On Saturday, 2 December there will be an Advent Retreat Day in the parish centre at St Pe-ter’s, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA. 9.30am to 4pm. Bring a packed lunch.

FOREIGN CURRENCY— Please put spare notes or coins to the big jars in all 3 churches for SVP charitable projects.

ST AMBROSE ARE HOSTING PARISH FEAST DAY / PRE CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER ON 10.12.23 -for all parishioners of our 3 parishes, after the **10.00am Sunday mass** at St Ambrose’ Church. It is an opportunity for us all to celebrate the season & wish each other well. There will be Tea, Coffee, Cake, Soft drinks for children, and that all important Tombola. Please save the date and raid your cup-boards for Tombola items. A great opportunity to make space for this years Christmas presents.

MASS TIMES - After our ‘3 months’ trial (now way more than 3 months) of the 8.30 am Mass at St Ambrose, which meant that St Vincent’s Mass was moved to 9.45, St Ambrose parishioners have asked for a change to a more convenient time, since we now have two priests. The new proposal is as follows: St Vincent’s—9.30am Mass (reverting to their usual Mass time); St Ambrose—10 am (but flexible in the event that there is no priest to cover) Our Lady’s - 11 am. This starts on 1st Sunday of advent, **3rd Dec.**

THANK YOU TO THE ORGANISERS OF THE MEN’S NIGHT and to all who attended. It was a joy-filled evening!

OUR LADY’S PRIMARY SCHOOL CAROL CONCERT - 2pm on 12th December at Our Lady’s church. All are welcome! Please come along to join in and support the children at this joyful event.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FAMILY OF CHRISTINE O’GARA - Christine O’Gara (born 1937) died on 10th November. A Requiem Mass for Christine will be held at 10am on 4th December at St Ann’s church for those who would like to say their final goodbye. The fu-neral Mass will also be livestreamed.

EASYFUNDRAISING—FR MARTIN’S FREE MEDICAL OUTREACH MISSION 2024 — **Thanks** to those that have signed up for Easyfund-raising. **For shopping at Amazon, access Amazon via the Easyfundraising website otherwise you won’t get the donation.** If you want to support this cause through your online shopping, at no extra cost to yourself at all, please copy and paste the follow-ing link https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=303700&invite=97jv2j&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=refCROtest and sign up to easy fundraising. If the online shop you are purchasing from is signed up to Easyfundraising, a small little pop up will appear at the right side of the screen, you click accept donation. If you do pur-chase from the site a small percentage of what you purchase will be added to the Medical Outreach Mission at no cost to yourself. If you do not purchase, no money will be taken from your account. The shop does not add anything onto the cost of your shopping for this. See if you can sign up before you do your Christmas Shopping. Any questions speak to Lucy.

THE GOFUNDME PAGE is still live also for donations. For more details or to support, please click on this link <https://gofund.me/2890550e> or scan the QR code, or feel free to give in any other convenient way. Thanks for your generosi-ty.



OUR LADY’S NEWS

CHILDREN’S LITURGY - every Sunday in the guild room.
TEA AND COFFEE AFTER 11AM MASS at Our Lady’s in the guild room this Sunday.
THE WELLSPRING - Thanks to all who participated in the soup session last Sunday. We raised £30 for The Wellspring.
THE PIETY STALL - at the back of church has cards for every occasion including Mass cards and Christmas cards. Also gifts, ro-sary beads and children’s Mass books. Open after Mass on Tuesday morning, and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.
IAN AND CATH’S FAMILY GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY - Ian and Cath’s Family Group are having a Christmas Party on Wednesday 29th November from 7pm in the Guild Room. There will be a Christmas Quiz, music and two Christmas Hampers.
DONA ONLINE DONATION STAND is installed. Feel free to give it a try or continue to use the QR code, or the weekly envelopes & standing order.



St AMBROSE NEWS

SUNDAY MASSES—10AM from 3rd December
FEAST DAY, CAKE DONATIONS—Any boxed (in date) cakes for the Feast Day bash on 10th December can now be handed in at church. Any budding Mary Ber-ty’s who would like to bake a cake or buns are invited to display their talents! The church will be open the day before to accept offerings. Thank you!
PIETY STALL - Many thanks to everyone who continues to support the piety stall at the back of church. There are many lovely cards, books, gifts and rosary beads.
WEEKDAY MASS - Weekday Masses will now be in the sacristy, in order to reduce the heating costs.
TOMBOLA - Please put donations for the tombola in the container at the back of church. Donations can be left at all churches. Thank you!

St VINCENT’S NEWS

FILM AFTERNOON, THIS SUNDAY - Please see details overleaf.
MONDAY 27TH - No service of Word and Communion, instead it is Mary Ryan's Funeral Requiem at 12 midday
THE TRAVELLING NATIVITY figures will be starting their journey around the Parish next Sunday, sign up in the porch for your day to host Mary, Joseph and the donkey! Service leaflet provided.
DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS requested please.
UPCOMING EVENTS: Toy Mass Sunday 10th December. Christingle Service Sunday 17th Dec 3pm. Outdoor Crib event Tuesday 19th Dec 3pm
TO DONATE TO ST VINCENT’S PARISH—please scan the QR code



Please send any items for inclusion in the newsletter to the Parish Office by 12 midday on Thursday. Kindly indicate parish of choice for your mass intentions. Bear in mind that dates might not be available.
Our Lady and the Apostles, Shaw Heath, Stockport SK3 8BQ: St. Ambrose, Adswood Road, Stockport, SK3 3QA; St. Vincent de Paul, 29 Handley Road, Bramhall, Stockport, SK7 3EX.
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