

Thanksgiving Mass and 100th Birthday Celebrations For Mary Walsh at Our Lady and the Apostles



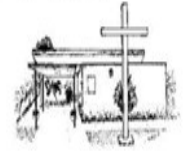
Newsletter for the Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles, St. Ambrose and St. Vincent de Paul

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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 20th October 2024

You can join us via this Live Stream link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/ourladystockport> (for Our Lady's church) or [Stockport Parishes - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) (for both St. Vincent's and St. Ambrose')



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Date	Feast	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Sunday 20th October	TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. Day of special prayer for world missions. (AFP)	9.30am	St Vincent's	Valerie Foster—Special Int
		10am	St Ambrose	Our Parish Family.
		11am	Our Lady's	Philip Flanagan 5th Anniversary
		1pm	St Vincent's	Baptisms of Mason & Jude Flanagan
Monday 21st October	Ferial	9.30am	St. Ambrose	Natalya Bartle, Special Intention
Tuesday 22nd October	St John Paul II Pp (Optional Memorial)	9.30am	Our Lady's	Colette Halsall, Special Intention
Wednesday 23rd October	St John of Capestrano, P (Optional Memorial)	9.30am	St Vincent's	Marie McDonald, Anniversary
Thursday 24th October	St Anthony Mary Claret, B (Optional Memorial)	12noon	St. Ambrose	Requiem Mass, Margaret Forrester.
		7pm	Our Lady's	Mr J Murphy RIP
Friday 25th October	Ferial	9.30am	St Vincent's	Ada Tyler, Anniversary
Saturday 26th October	St Chad & Cedd, B	9.30am	Our Lady's	Zamiwe (Ruth) Banda RIP
		6.30pm	Our Lady's	Betty and Mike Boylan Special Int
Sunday 27th October	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.	9.30am	St Vincent's	Philip & Veronica Martin 45th Wedding Anniversary
		10am	St Ambrose	Kirsty Bain RIP
		11am	Our Lady's	Anne Bermingham RIP
		1pm	Our Lady's	Baptisms of Jameson Paul H Sagucio and Lottie Rita King

There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Holy Hour before every weekday morning Mass from 8:30am—0930hrs and before every Sunday Mass.

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

Please pray for those preparing to receive the sacraments

Baptisms: New Baptism classes will start in October. Contact the parish office.

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. Start date to be announced soon.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: Please register with the parish office as soon as possible.

WEDDINGS: Please speak to Fr Martin after Mass or contact the parish office.

SAFEGUARDING LEADS FOR THE THREE PARISHES :- St Vincent's-Judy Carey carey.judith@yahoo.com OLATA Ged Murtagh geraldmurtagh@outlook.com St Ambrose — Marie Byrne ma.byrne1@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: Teresa Greenhalgh, Jane Coupes, Michael Philbin, Mary Metcalfe, Taya, Hayden Longworth, Peter Stanway, McKenzie Kiely, Pauline Hinson, Eileen McGahan, Barbara Murphy, Michelle Philips, Kelly Brosnahan, Zach Tierney, Irene Cox, Lee Abernathy, Janice Cook, Annie Topping, Marie Kennefik, Nora Reade.

IN ST. AMBROSE'S: Walt Tomlin, Roy Porter, Adeel, Vera Gallagher, Michael Gallagher, Molly Lane, Michael Nealon, Colin Burns, Cerys Jones, June Campbell, Mavis Doggett, Khia Whitehead, Mary Sein, Paul Thuoc, Mary Young, Veronica Norbury, Imelda Judge, Veronica Lane, Joanna Winter, Paul McClure, Helen Jenkins, Helen Leasor, Terry Glynn, Leaf Mattheson, Susan Claffey.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: May the souls of Margaret Forester, Anne Sheridan, Raymond John Burke, Stuart Thorneycroft, Bernadette Marsh, Maureen Brosnahan, Brian Thorpe, Michael Thomas Keeley, Teresa Burrows, Graham Kingston, Denise Corlett, Joan Constable, Anthony Way, Richard Laurens, Stefanie Goodfellow, Andrew Way, Kevin Yoh, Margaret Porter, Eleanor Loftus, Julie Scanlan, Eddie Hickman, Patricia Byrne, Patrick Ryan, Celia Cameron, John Campbell, Monica McManus, Laurence John Gallagher, Tommy Mackinlay, Dorothy Chamberlain, Sister Thomas More McGrath, and all the souls of all our recently departed rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES: Edith Heath, James William Wood, Joseph Fleming, James Maguire, Annie Maguire, Mary Irene Randall, George McKee, Patricia Selby, Sean Molloy, Doreen Hazeldine, Anne Law (Nee Selby), Lily Hearne, Mary Rose Meakin, Brian James Webb, Martin Devine, Agnes Philippine Birch, June Wright

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

FIRST FORGIVENESS/FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES—Please let the office know immediately if you have not already put your name down to participate in these Sacramental programmes and wish to do so. Please register by contacting the parish office - stockport3parishes@gmail.com Mass attendance cards are at the back of church and need signing by the priest after each mass.

BAPTISM CLASSES—The next course will be in January 2025. Book early via the parish email or phone. If you desperately need the baptism course before January, please talk to Fr Martin.

MARRIAGE COURSE—2.11.24 at Our Lady & St Christopher Church, Romily 9.45am—4pm.

STOCKPORT MARRIAGE CARE is running a one day marriage preparation course - Preparing Together - on the 2nd November. Further information is given on their website www.marriagecare.org.uk. Bookings are also made via the website. The next course is likely to be in March/April next year.

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

OLATA CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP - Thursdays after 7pm Mass

FOREIGN CURRENCY - If you've returned from holiday with any foreign notes and coins, please consider donating them to help the work of the SVP (Society of St Vincent de Paul) among the poor and disadvantaged at home and abroad. If you find any old British, Irish and European coins please bring them as well. There are big jars at the entrances of our 3 churches.

IF YOU ARE A TAX PAYER and are not already in our parish's Gift Aid scheme, please ask for details on how to join.

ST AMBROSE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL are holding Stay and Play sessions for children who will be starting Reception in September 2025. They will be held on Thursday 31st October from 10:00 - 10:30 or Tuesday 19th November from 2:00 - 2:30. Please contact school on 0161 480 8466 to book your place.

OUR LADY'S SCHOOL NEWS: On Tuesday, we held our Welcome Liturgy for our new Reception children, where they were all invited to walk under our 'Welcome Arch'. Fr Martin visited Year 5 this week for a Q and A session. The children thoroughly enjoyed it. Year 6 will be going to Winmarleigh Hall in Preston next week for their 3-day residential - let's hope the sun shines on them!

SPUC - LIVES WORTH LIVING - The Prime Minister has pledged to have a vote on assisted suicide and Lord Falconer has already tabled a Private Members' Bill in the House of Lords. This lecture will be held at the Mercure Manchester Piccadilly Hotel, Portland Street, Manchester M1 4PH from 7:30pm - 9pm on **Tuesday 22nd October** and the speaker, Dr Dominic Whitehouse, who is a palliative care consultant currently working in a hospice in Sussex, will be explaining why a change in the law would be harmful to patients, doctors and to society. **Please register online to attend at - www.spuc.org.uk/assisted-suicide-lectures**. Fr Martin gave a well-attended talk on this subject on 9th October at St Alban's, Macclesfield. **His book—'Life is always worth living : Assisted Dying or Living'** - is still available in our churches and on Amazon.

FOOTSTEPS EVENT ON THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER - The next event in the programme of inspiring talks will be on Thursday 7 November at 7.30pm in the parish centre of St Peter's, Green Lane, Hazel Grove SK7 4EA with Mary Hardiman. Her counselling work currently involves dealing with trauma in two North West prisons. We'd love to welcome you to join with other Christians in our informal, relaxed, café-style setting with drinks and nibbles all to help us on our faith journey.

MARY'S MEALS CHRISTMAS CONCERT - Saturday 23rd November 7.30pm, doors open 6.30pm, St Bede's College, Alexandra Park Road, Manchester, M16 8HX, Step in from the winter chill and join us for an evening of joyful music featuring The Sacred Heart Choir. Hear from Mary's Meals founder and Sunday Times best-selling author, Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, browse seasonal stalls and enjoy mulled wine and mince pies. All proceeds help Mary's Meals serve nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. (please note this event will have a BSL interpreter) Tickets £12 (inc refreshments) from Eventbrite: averyjoyfulchristmas.eventbrite.co.uk or call 0800 698 1212 or email info@marysmeals.org

FATHER DENIS MAHER - May he rest in peace. Father Denis died on Thursday in Tameside Hospital with members of his family present. Details to follow of his Requiem Mass. In the meantime, please let us remember Father Denis at Mass and pray for the eternal repose of his soul.

SMILE, SHALOM & WELCOME locally handcrafted signs available at the back of church are £5 each. Proceeds to the Medical Outreach Mission.

OCTOBER DEVOTION TO OUR LADY:- At Our Lady's Church, 7:30pm nightly, commencing on 1st October. Please come and join us. Volunteers from each parish are welcome to lead us in the rosary. Live streaming will be available for those unable to attend. October is a month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. The Rosary is a series of meditations on some aspects, or mysteries of the life of Jesus Christ and Mary his mother. The rosary is integral to our spiritual life; if we deepen our understanding of the foundations of our rosary prayers, we can, in turn, deepen our devotion to Our Lord and to Mary, the Mother of God.

NOVEMBER LIST—During the month of November, we pray especially for the faithful departed. Please take a 'Month of the Holy Souls' envelope and place inside the names of your deceased parents, relatives, friends and all for whom you wish to pray. Holy Mass will be offered for them throughout the month of November and thereafter.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - 20th October 2024. On 20th October the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. This day of prayer, solidarity and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. Please use the Missio envelopes at the back of church. Call 020 7821 9755 or visit mission.org.uk and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

THE SVP (SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL) would like to thank all the potential members from our 3 Parishes who attended their Meeting last week. We hope that you will come to our next meeting on Monday 28th October at 7pm in Our Lady's Presbytery. We will also welcome any other parishioners who may be interested in joining us so that we can assist and befriend more people in this area.

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS TO OUR PARISHES. Please introduce yourselves to Fr. Martin and let the parish office have your email address so that we can send you the weekly newsletter and Sunday reflections every Friday afternoon. Contact us at stockport3parishes@gmail.com.

MARY WALSH sends her heartfelt thanks to Catherine and all the parishioners who helped to arrange the celebrations for her 100th Birthday. Mary is especially grateful to all of those who travelled long distances to celebrate with her and would also like to thank Fr. Martin and the parish for the lovely Mass.

CAFOD-DEC MIDDLE EAST HUMANITARIAN APPEAL The conflict in the Middle East is getting worse and the families affected need our help. Please donate today to the CAFOD-DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal and support local Caritas partners in Gaza and Lebanon as they continue to provide essential food, water and shelter: cafod.org.uk/give

JANUARY 2025 MEDICAL OUTREACH MISSION — A GoFundMe page for Fr Martin's next Free Medical Outreach in Nigeria is now live for donations. For details, please click on this link <https://gofund.me/181ecc20> or scan the QR code. Thank you all, once again, for your invaluable support, without which this crucial annual humanitarian project would not have thrived for the past five years. We will let you know once the date is fixed. Please keep the programme in your prayers, as so many depend on it. God bless you.



EASYFUNDRAISING supporters have already raised £224.12 so far without costing them a penny. You can help them keep up this momentum! Use easyfundraising whenever you need to buy anything online & invite others to sign up and join you in raising free donations. <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/fr-martins-medical-outreach-mission>.

OUR LADY'S NEWS

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY - every Sunday in the Guild Room.

THE PIETY STALL - at the back of church has cards for every occasion including Mass cards, also rosary beads and medals. Open after Mass on Tuesday morning, and before and after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

DONA ONLINE CARD DONATION STAND - Feel free to give it a try or continue to use the QR code, or the weekly envelopes & standing order.

TEA AND COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS - Come to Our Lady's Guild Room after 11am Mass this Sunday for tea/coffee and chats.

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CAFOD RETIRING COLLECTION is today 13.10.24

ALTAR FLOWERS—Donations are requested for altar flowers. Please put any money you can spare in the box at the back of church. All donations gratefully received.

MASS IN SACRISTY - From Monday 7th October onwards, weekday Masses will be held in the Sacristy to save on heating costs.

QR CODE Please use this QR for online donations for St Ambrose.



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PIETY STALL NOW HAS CHRISTMAS STOCK—There will be stall before & after mass on Sunday 20.10.24. Once it's gone, it's gone.

MONDAY 21ST- 10am Service of Word and Communion.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - the annual Toy Mass will be Dec 1st, this will be a Children's Mass so we will need volunteers from the younger members of the parish!

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY MASS - Our 19th Annual Remembrance Sunday Service will be held on Sunday 10th November. If you have a relative who died in conflicts or anyone who has died in the last 12 months, and would like to take a candle to the altar, please let Veronica Martin know by November 8th. Names submitted after this date will not be included on the list.

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.

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