

Contacting Us: All Parishes

If you require assistance from a member of the clergy, please speak to them before or after Mass. The parish email for all three churches is wilmslowcatholic@gmail.com and the office number is 01625-533-268. For the Sacrament of Marriage – please see Fr Tony at least six months before the wedding date.

Contacting St. Pius X, Alderley Edge & St. Teresa’s Wilmslow

For the Sacrament of Reconciliation – on request or as noted in the newsletter.
 For the Sacrament of Baptism - Please speak to Father Tony or Father Moses after any Mass. Baptisms take place on Saturdays at 12 noon.
 For the Newsletter – please email the parish using the address above.

Contacting St. Benedict’s Handforth

There is a contact list in the Church entrance for all enquiries.
 St Benedict’s Catholic Primary School: 01625 520207
 For the Sacrament of Reconciliation – on request after the 5.30 pm Sunday Mass.
 For the Sacrament of Baptism - Deacon Tom Chrisp is available after the 10 am Sunday Mass. He can also be contacted by telephone (M: 07925 072270). Baptisms take place after the Sunday 10 am Mass.
 For the Newsletter – please email the parish using the address above.

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St. Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Safeguarding Officer	Shaun Steele 07947-605-448	Eithne Lennon 07915-918-056	Cecilia Tinsley 01625-521-520
SVP		SVP Society 07749-453-776	



St Pius X Church, Stamford Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, SK9 7NS
 St. Benedict’s RC Church, Hall Road, Handforth, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 3AD
 Sacred Heart & St. Teresa’s Church, Green Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 1LD



PARISHES OF
**ST. PIUS X, ALDERLEY EDGE,
 ST. BENEDICT’S, HANDFORTH &
 SACRED HEART & ST. TERESA’S, WILMSLOW**



Reg. Charity No. 234025

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Parish Priest: Fr. Tony McGrath / Assistant Priest: Fr. Moses Ibeh
 Retired Priest (St. Benedict’s): Fr. William O’Riordan / Deacon (St. Benedict’s): Rev. Thomas Chrisp
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Sunday 2nd February, 2025: The Presentation of the Lord

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 1 st Feb	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (<i>Celeb’s Int</i>) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 2 nd Feb <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	9.00 am <i>Irene MacLeman RIP</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 3 rd Feb <i>St. Werburgh</i>	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Tuesday 4 th Feb	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Wednesday 5 th Feb <i>St. Agatha</i>	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Margaret Callaghan (Thanksgiving)</i> Living Flame Prayer Group 11.15 am – 12.15 pm
Thursday 6 th Feb <i>St. Paul Miki & Companions</i>	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Joan Dowdall (Healing)</i>
Friday 7 th Feb	10 am <i>Vocations to the Priesthood</i>	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday 8 th Feb	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Ken & Mary Lewis</i> Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm 6.30 pm (Vigil Mass) <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 9 th Feb <i>The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i>	10.00 am <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30 pm <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.00 am <i>Philip Craven RIP</i>



St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

Coffee Morning There will be a coffee morning this Sunday, 2nd February, 2025. All are welcome.

Food Bank Thank you for your continued support. Items can be left in the box in the church porch. Donations are taken to the food bank in Brownley Green in Wythenshawe. Please note no perishable foods. Thank you.



St. Benedict's Handforth Notices

FOODBANK items Thank you for your continued support - key priorities this week are milk, coffee/tea, biscuits, sandwich paste, rice, tinned meats, & tinned ravioli. Please note no perishable foods. Our collections at St Benedict's are on Saturdays between 10.00 and 11.00 whilst Hope Central at St Chads is open for donations on weekdays between 11.00 and 12.00.



St. Teresa's Wilmslow Notices

Marian Statue We are hoping to put in place a Marian statue in the garden outside our parish hall to express our faith, devotion and gratitude to Our Lady. We would welcome and be grateful for any help from our parishioners for this project to leave a lasting legacy in our parish. If you would like to get involved, share ideas, or have professional contacts who may be able to help with the installation, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Your Prayers are asked for Philip Craven, Jennifer Smith, Joan Brassell, & Eleanor Morris who sadly died recently. Eleanor Morris moved out of the parish some years but she will be remembered by many (please see notice in porch for further information & how you can pass on your condolences). May they rest in peace. Please pray for the repose of their souls. The Requiem Masses for Jennifer Smith and Joan Brassell will take place in our church on Wednesday 19th February at 11 am & Thursday 20th February at 10.30 am respectively.

FOODBANK Please see Hope Central collection times & needed items above. Items can also be left in the box in our church porch.

Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

• **Retired Priests' Fund Shrewsbury Diocese** Last week's collection raised the following totals at our parishes: St Pius X: £369.50; St. Benedict's: £644.50; St. Teresa's: £571.20. Thank you for your generosity.

• **Mark Dilworth** a seminarian for our diocese on placement this January, gives an update on his time in the three parishes: During my time in the parishes, I've served at two requiem Masses, given weekly reflections before Mass on the themes of Honouring the Holy Name of Jesus, the Importance of Baptism, the Surprisingly Meaning Behind Ordinary Time, and A Catholic Guide to Reading the Bible. I have visited the children preparing for their First Confession and First Holy Communion at Saint Benedict's Catholic Primary School. I have taken part in an RCIA session at Sacred Heart and Saint Teresa's Church, and joined the annual meeting and service for the week of prayer for Christian Unity at St Mary's in Nether Alderley. Thank you for your kind welcome to me over the past month, and thank you for your prayers. I will keep the three parishes in my prayers as I return to seminary at Saint Mary's College Oscott in Birmingham.

• **Catholic Social Teaching Course for Parishioners** The course is entitled, Catholic Social Teaching: an introduction and will be spread over five one-hour Zoom sessions on each Tuesday in Spring 2025, from 12 noon to 1.00 pm, on 04, 11, 18, 25 March, and 01 April. The course is aimed at parishioners who are not so familiar with Catholic Social Teaching, or who would welcome a refresh. The course will be grounded in the reality of CSAN members and their work on the front line of poverty and exclusion, with inputs from member organisations. The course fee is £95, which includes a copy of Raymond Friel's book, *Catholic Social Teaching: an introduction for schools, parishes and charities*. To ensure you receive the book before the course starts, please register by **12 noon on Friday 14 February 2025**. For any questions, feel free to reach out to Bernadette at bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk. To register, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/catholic-social-teaching-an-introduction-tickets-1106401369279>

• **From Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality** Father Pat Munroe will celebrate Holy Mass on Tuesday 11th February for the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes . Hospitality members are invited to join him at 7.00pm at St Hugh and St John, West Timperley WA14 5NB . If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk

• **Lourdes Roadshow** In this Jubilee Year of 2025, Bishop Mark has asked that our diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes will be our Jubilee Pilgrimage. To help raise the profile of the pilgrimage and to answer any questions your parishioners might have, we have organised two roadshows for those who are interested in joining our annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. Our first roadshow will be on 1st February 2pm-4pm at Our Lady & St John's, Heswall, Wirral, and our second roadshow will be on 15th February 2pm-4pm St Anthony's, Wythenshawe. Information and register of interest cards will be available, and members of the Lourdes Management Team will be present to answer any questions.

• **Diocesan Mass for Marriage** The 2025 Diocesan Mass for Marriage will be held at 12 noon on Saturday 21st June at Holy Angels, Hale Barns, followed by a buffet lunch for invited guests. Parishioners celebrating a significant marriage anniversary can apply for an invitation from the Bishop's Office via their Parish Priest or Parish Secretary.

• **Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team** An exciting opportunity has arisen within the Diocese with the Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team. Further details can be found on the Diocesan website at the following link <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> Completed applications to be sent to Pauline McCulloch at recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Closing date 21 February 2025.