

**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](mailto: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.

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**Weekly Wordsearch**

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 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**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



Parish Priest: Fr. Tony McGrath / Assistant Priest: Fr. Moses Ibeh  
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[www.stteresawilmslow.org](http://www.stteresawilmslow.org)

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2025: The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	St Pius X, Alderley Edge	St Benedict’s, Handforth	Sacred Heart & St Teresa’s, Wilmslow
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan <i>The Conversion of St. Paul</i>	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan <i>The 3<sup>rd</sup> 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>Joan Margaret Brassell RIP</i>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	No Mass	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Jennifer Smith RIP</i>
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan <i>St. Thomas Aquinas</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	6.30 pm (Adoration 6 pm) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	9.30 am (Adoration 9 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Eleanor Morris RIP</i> Living Flame Prayer Group 11.15 am – 12.15 pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	No Mass	9.30 am <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Celebrant’s Intention</i>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan <i>St. John Bosco</i>	10 am (Adoration 9.30 am) <i>Vocations to the Priesthood</i>	No Mass	No Mass
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	No Mass	No Mass	9.30 am Mass (Celeb’s Int) Adoration 10 am – 11 am Confessions 10.15 – 10.45 am followed by Marian devotions Confessions 6 pm – 6.20 pm <b>6.30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb <i>The Presentation of the Lord</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>People of the Parish</i>



### St. Pius X Alderley Edge Notices

**Coffee Morning** There will be a coffee morning next Sunday, 2nd February, 2025. Willing helpers and cake makers please contact John R on 07976 361018 or [john.rylands@northernventure.co.uk](mailto:john.rylands@northernventure.co.uk)

**Churches Together** A big thank you to everyone who made last week's Churches Together ceilidh such a success. It was also great fun with wonderful Ukrainian food. The raffle raised £729!

**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

**Funeral Service for Peter Blyth** Please note there will be a funeral service at Wilmslow Cemetery for Peter Blyth at noon on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January. May he rest in peace.

**FOODBANK items** Thank you for your continued support - key priorities this week are milk, cereal, biscuits, sandwich paste, tuna, tinned meats, & toilet rolls. 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

**Your Prayers are asked for** 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. 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 19<sup>th</sup> February at 11 am & Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30 am respectively.

**Aid to the Church in Need – Thank You** The charity Aid to the Church in Need is most grateful for our recent donations to them from our Christmas offerings and Christmas card sales (totalling £1,002.23). They truly make a difference to their projects. Rachel, the lady who conducted the appeal last year, hopes to return to us to give a short account of which ACN projects the funds have gone to.

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

### Sunday's Gospel Reading is taken from Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

*'Today this Scripture has been fulfilled.'*

*Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us, just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught. At that time: Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll, and found the place where it was written, 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, 'Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'*

### Notices for All Parishes / Diocesan Notices

- **Retired Priests' Fund - Special Collection This Weekend (25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> January)** This weekend the annual collection for the Retired Priests' Fund will be held in our parishes. The Retired Priests' Fund seeks to help sick and retired priests in our Diocese with their basic living needs, providing a pension, accommodation etc... Our priests rely on what the Fund provides after devoting their lives to furthering the mission of the Church and bringing people closer to Christ. Many thanks for whatever you may be able to offer.
- **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 1<sup>st</sup> February 2pm-4pm at Our Lady & St John's, Heswall, Wirral, and our second roadshow will be on 15<sup>th</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org). Closing date 21 February 2025.
- **Introduction to the Holy Year 2025** A special day will be held at Saint Joseph's Stockport on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February to introduce the Jubilee Year 2025. The day will begin with Mass at 10.00 am and include presentations by our catechetical, marriage and family life, CAFOD and Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury teams. All welcome. **Update - the day is both morning and afternoon and participants are invited to bring a packed lunch.**