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## Parish Newsletter for Sunday 27 June 2021

### YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: ST JOSEPH, PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH, PRAY FOR US!

#### Sunday 27 June

Public Mass and live-stream

#### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24; Ps 29; 2 Corinthians 8: 7, 9, 13-15; Mark 5: 21-24, 35-43

930am Church open

10am Kathleen Kelsall RIP

4pm Live-stream – Rosary and Benediction

#### Monday 28 June

Live - stream Mass

#### Memorial of St Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr

Genesis 18: 16-33; Ps 102; Matthew 8: 18-22

940am Rosary 10am Sue Ellis RIP

#### Tuesday 29 June

Public Mass and live - stream

#### SOLEMNITY OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL, Apostles

Acts 12: 1-11; Ps 33; 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16: 13-19

10am Live-stream – Rosary and Benediction

530pm Church open

6pm For you, the People of the Parish

#### Wednesday 30 June

No live - stream today

#### Memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Genesis 21: 5, 8-20; Ps 33; Matthew 8: 28-34

#### Thursday 1 July

Live - stream Mass

#### Feria in Ordinary Time: Votive Mass of St Joseph

Ecclesiasticus 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 127; Matthew 21:3-15, 19-23

940am Rosary 10am Sheila Syddall RIP

#### Friday 2 July

Live - stream Mass

First Friday

#### Feria in Ordinary Time, Online School Mass

Genesis 23: 1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67; Ps 105; Matthew 9: 9-13

940am Rosary 10am Liam Quinn RIP

#### Saturday 3 July

No live - stream today

#### Feast of St Thomas, Apostle

Ephesians 2: 19-22; Ps 116; John 20: 24-29

10am to 1030am Confessions, will be celebrated in the presbytery car park.

#### Sunday 4 July

Public Mass and live-stream

#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 2: 2-5; Ps 122; 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10; Mark 6: 1-6

930am Church open

10am Janusz Szura (Spec Int)

#### Confessions: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions will be celebrated in the Presbytery car park. Please check times and weather!

#### Baptisms and Weddings

If you are looking to arrange either a Wedding or a Baptism, please be in contact with Fr Martin.

#### Funerals at St Mary's

Unfortunately, it is not possible to celebrate Funerals in our church at present.

#### Going into hospital

For a Chaplain at the University Hospital North Midlands, please ask a member of the ward staff or call 01782 676400 Ext 76400. For a Chaplain at the Macclesfield District General Hospital, please call 01625 663386

#### Please pray for the sick

Edward Walmsley, Chris Rea, Rosemary Emery, Kathryn Higginbotham, Brian Dale, Norman Syddall, Andrew Clifford, David Wright, Janusz Szura and those who are in self-isolation and have been diagnosed with Covid-19.

*Due to data protection legislation, in order for a name to be printed in this newsletter, the consent of the person who is unwell needs to be given.*

#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and

#### Please pray for Faithful Departed

We pray for Kathleen Kelsall and for those who have died recently and due to Covid-19.

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#### Anniversaries

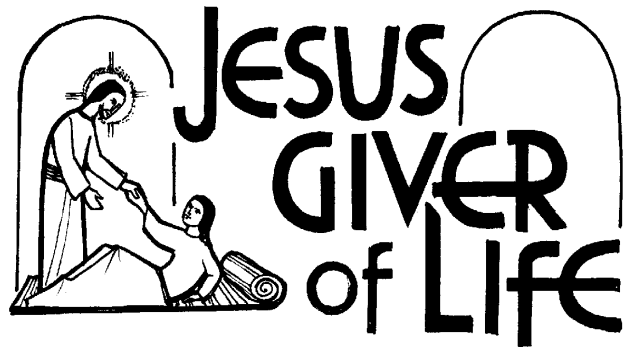
Sr Rosario Phelan IBVM 27/6/1951  
Harry Prince Trafford 28/6/2004  
Kathleen Joyce Baker 29/6/2002  
Margaret Cusack 7/1978  
Philip George Emery 7/1982  
Angela Gandolfo 7/1983  
Mrs Butler 7/1985  
James Leslie Darling 1/7/2006  
Sheila Mary Borg 2/7/2011

Charles Malkin 27/6/1964  
Sr Berchams Lynch IBVM 29/6/1949  
Sr Marie O'Donnell IBVM 29/6/2002  
Mrs Emery 7/1978  
John Patrick Finn 7/1982  
Gertrude Hughes 7/1984  
Frank Kazywicki 7/1987  
William (Bill) Joyce 1/7/2009  
Miss May McGlynn 3/7/1980

John Munday 27/6/1967  
Eliza Malkin 29/6/1967  
Mary Clare Rhead 30/6/2011  
Norah O'Connor 7/1978  
Kathleen Hazelwood 7/1982  
Sheila Joan O'Donnell 7/1984  
Nigel Quinn 1/7/1989  
Percy Hambleton 2/7/1960

Anne Salt 27/6/1981  
Jan Slubowski 28/6/1991  
Jan Obierek 29/6/1991  
Eliza Malkin 7/1967  
Mary Sheen 7/1979  
Terence Simblett 7/1981  
Eileen Winifred Pyssa 7/1982  
Ryszard Ochuka 7/1984  
Evelyn Lily Sharpe 1/7/1992  
Norman Talks 2/7/2000

Dear friends, **Confirmation and First Holy Communion** During the week, I had the sad task of cancelling the rearranged Confirmations and First Holy Communion celebrations; we have received direct instruction from the County Council not to go ahead with these occasions at this time due to the high infection rate among children of school age in the locality. I want to encourage the parents, children and all our parishioners not to lose heart. It is disappointing and frustrating for everyone, but the most important thing we can do is support each other. The more united our parish remains the stronger we will be.



**Ss Peter and Paul** This Tuesday, 29 June, is the celebration of Ss Peter and Paul. There will be a public Mass at 6pm in the evening. You are most welcome to attend and take part. It will be great to see you!

**Archbishop Bernard's vision for our Archdiocese** disciple in our parish.

Please collect your invitation from the Archbishop to take your part as a missionary

**Alan, the Parish Administrator**

After nearly three years, Alan will be leaving us next month. I would like to thank him for his great sense of humour and the good company he has brought to the administrative work which takes place. We wish him well for the future and extend our best wishes to his wife, Susan.

**Repairs to the church and car park**

The next stage of repairs will begin on Monday 5 July which will include repairs to the car park. As soon as I am able, I will let you know the precise dates when the repairs will be carried out. During this time, it will be necessary to find alternative parking.

**St Mary's Parish Council**

I have convened a small group to restart the Parish Council. For the time being, it must remain a small, socially distant group which will meet – weather permitting – in the Presbytery Garden. After our initial meeting, there will be a short report for all to read.

**Bibles for St Mary's Academy**

We want to support St Mary's Catholic Academy by purchasing Bibles for the children to use at school. There has been a great response to this appeal. At the moment, we could buy 26 bibles. Do you know and could you approach any small businesses which may wish to sponsor the purchase of these Bibles? Donations can be made by cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to "BRC DTR St Mary's, Leek". Please mark the envelope Bibles for St Mary's and deliver to the presbytery.

**St Mary's: Our vision is to be a Catholic parish which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour.**

**Our Parish Working Together: Can you help with the opening of the church?**

If you can help as a steward or cleaner, please let me know! Send an email to me at [stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk)

**Our Parish Praying Together: Can you pray for our parish? Please pray for our parish. Let's use the prayer suggested by Archbishop Bernard:**

**Spirit of God, descend on me this day. Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others. Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me. Strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen.**

**The Year of St Joseph**

During this yearlong celebration, Pope Francis wants us to adopt St Joseph's way of loving with a parent's heart. During this yearlong celebration, let us use the Prayer of Pope Francis at the end of weekday Mass:

**Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

**To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.**

**Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.**

**Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.**

**Dates for your diary**

**Monday 28 June** 630pm Faith for Families

**Tuesday 29 June** 6pm **Mass for Ss Peter and Paul's Day – if you can help as a volunteer, please be in contact with me.**

**Thursday 1 July** 630pm Bible Book Club

**Sunday 18 July** Mission appeal by the Marist Fathers and Brothers

**Calling all 200 Club members! Have you made your subscription for this year?** If you want to renew, please send a cheque made payable to: "BRC DTR St Mary, Leek". One number for 12 months is £12. The more subscribers, the bigger the winnings! Please send your cheques to Fr Martin. The next draw will take place this Sunday, 30 May.

**At Facebook Mass we can't have a collection** Thank you to those who have used the "Donate" button on the Parish Website. If you would like to donate by standing order, please send an email to me at the Parish Office at [stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.leek@rcaob.org.uk).

Collection: Gift Aid £139.00 Non Gift Aid £81.15 Donation £400.00 Total £620.15 Thank you for your kind generosity!

**Edge@Alton**

The next Edge@Alton meet is next Sunday, 4 July, at the Soli Centre in Alton from 3:45 - 5:15pm. Join us for fun, faith and friendship - time to challenge, chat and create! New-comers are always welcome. £2 payable on arrival. To book please email: [edgeatalton@gmail.com](mailto:edgeatalton@gmail.com) or visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/153723863213>

The final meeting of this school year on Sunday 18th July with crazy games and challenges! New members are always welcome from school years 6,7 and 8. Come for fun, faith and friendship! 3:45pm - 5:15pm from the Soli Centre, Alton. £2 payable on the day, but please book ahead by either emailing [edgeatalton@gmail.com](mailto:edgeatalton@gmail.com) or via: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/153724252377>

**St Chad's House, Leek**

Wednesday 7 July at 7pm – 9pm Contemplative Prayer Evening. Tea and coffee provided. All welcome, however places are limited, so please get in touch to book. Please note you can also ring to arrange personal quiet time at St Chad's House. There are other events, including online, so please keep an eye on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/stchadsleek](http://www.facebook.com/stchadsleek).

**Let's do all we can to stay safe and keep well. With prayers and best wishes, Fr Martin**