



# SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL

*Incorporating the Cathedral of Our Lady Help of Christians & St Peter of Alcantara,  
Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott & St Winefride, Monkmoor*

## TWENTY FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

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| Saturday 16th<br>September   | <i>Vigil for Sunday</i>  | Our Lady of Pity  | 6pm  | Special Intentions of Anne Gillman  |
| Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>NATIONAL DAY<br/>OF PRAYER FOR<br/>HOME MISSIONS</b> | <b>Twenty Third Sunday<br/>in Ordinary time</b><br><br>Extraordinary Form    | Cathedral<br>Our Lady of Pity<br>St Winefride<br>Cathedral<br>St Winefride<br>Cathedral | 8.30am<br>9.00am<br>9.30am<br>10.45am<br>12.15pm<br>6pm    | Keith Cooper ( <i>Sick</i> )<br><i>Mass in Polish</i><br>Phil Ragdale ( <i>Birthday Intention</i> )<br>John & Eileen Hernon ( <i>40th Anniversary</i> )<br><br>Pro Populo |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Ferial</b>  | Convent<br>Cathedral  | 7.30 am<br>12.15pm   | Kathleen Jones<br>Chris Murphy ( <i>RIP Anniversary</i> )   |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>St Theodore of<br/>Canterbury</b>   | Cathedral   | 12.15pm  | The Bradley Family  |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Ss. Andrew Kim<br/>Taejon, Paul Chong<br/>Hasang &amp; Comps.</b>         | Cathedral   | 12.15pm  | Deacon Fred Beddow<br>( <i>Anniversary of Ordination</i> )  |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>  | <b>St Matthew, Apostle</b>   | Cathedral   | 12.15pm  | Mary Burns (RIP)  |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | <b>Ferial</b>  | Cathedral   | 12.15pm  | Mary Coates   |
| Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | St Pio of Pietrelcina<br>( <i>Padre Pio</i> )<br><br><i>Vigil for Sunday</i> | Cathedral<br><br>Our Lady of Pity   | 9.30 am<br><br>6.00 pm                                     | The Jones Family<br><br>Paris Mannion   |
| Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup><br><br><b>SPECIAL DAY OF<br/>PRAYER FOR<br/>THE HARVEST</b>    | <b>24th Sunday in<br/>Ordinary time</b><br><br>Extraordinary Form            | Cathedral<br>Our Lady of Pity<br>St Winefride<br>Cathedral<br>St Winefride<br>Cathedral | 8.30am<br>9.00am<br>9.30am<br>10.45am<br>12.15pm<br>6.00pm | In Thanksgiving for the Harvest<br><i>Mass in Polish</i><br>Nancy Hussey<br>All Living & Deceased Family (A.T.)<br><br>Pro Populo   |

### SACRAMENTS AND OTHER LITURGIES

#### **BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, MARRIAGE**

Please speak to a priest following one of the Sunday Masses

#### **THE SACRAMENT OF MERCY (CONFESSION)**

Cathedral: Monday-Friday: 11.30am-12noon, Saturday: 10-11am, Our Lady of Pity: Saturday 5.15-5.45pm, St Winefride: Sunday 8.40-9.10am. Outside these times, you are always welcome to approach a priest to hear your confession.

#### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Cathedral: Tuesday 5.30-6.30pm (for Peace), Thursday 5.30-6.30pm (for Vocations), Sunday 4.30-5.30pm (WITH BENEDICTION ON SUNDAYS).

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (THE DIVINE OFFICE)**

Cathedral: Sunday 8am (Lauds), 10.15am (Prayer during the Day), 5.30pm (Vespers)

*"If a man finds it very hard to forgive injuries, let him look at a Crucifix, and think that Christ shed all His Blood for him, and not only forgave His enemies, but even prayed His Heavenly Father to forgive them also. Let him remember that when he says the Pater Noster, every day, instead of asking pardon for his sins, he is calling down vengeance on himself." --Saint Philip Neri*

## Dean's Points:

Again this week the parish is spinning back into full swing with quite a lot in the newsletter. Please take a copy home and attend/give/pray/support as applicable!

In the next week or so I will start making contact with parishioners to have one-to-one meetings to discuss the Our Mission Together fundraising and life in the parish generally; these meetings will be an opportunity to look at the vision and needs of the parish and parishioners and will probably take several months. Thank you to all who have completed census cards - if you have not completed one then please do so and ensure that it is returned, so that the information can go on to our new parish database so that we can keep in touch and minister more effectively.

This week we are also advertising the post of **Parish Secretary and Confidential PA** which will be an invaluable member of the team and improve (my) efficiency and communications generally.

**Have a good week! Canon Jonathan**

The Cathedral Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians & St Peter of Alcantara is seeking to appoint an experienced and suitably qualified **Parish Secretary and Confidential PA** to provide administrative and secretarial support required to ensure the smooth running of the Cathedral Parish and to enable the Dean and Priests to carry out their Parish and Diocesan responsibilities. *Please see advert at [Monster.com](http://Monster.com) or [dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://dioceseofshrewsbury.org) and notice board. All applications to be sent For the Attention of: Mrs Carol Lawrence, Curial Offices, 2 Park Road South, Prenton, Wirral CH434UX*

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AND READER TRAINING FOR SHREWSBURY AND WEST SHROPSHIRE DEANERY** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 10.00 am - 1pm (Registration and coffee from 9.30)

This is the diocesan training which is on a 4 year cycle which all EMoHC and Readers are requested to undertake. The sessions will be held jointly in the Cathedral and the Parish Room in Shrewsbury.

**Our Lady of Pity Harvest celebration** next Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>. September 2017. If you would like to bring any harvest gifts to Church they will be sold after Mass and the proceeds will be given to CAFOD for their funds. Thank you very much.

**Faith Seeking Understanding Series** Fr Tony will give two 20 minute talks immediately after the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady of Pity. All are welcome.

1. Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September - An Introduction to the Gospel according to St Matthew (Year A).
2. Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October - What happened at Fatima in 1917?

**Altar Servers** We are hoping to recruit some new altar servers to boost our great team of servers across the parish. We've written to all the children who have recently received their First Holy Communion to invite them but if there are any children or adults, who would like to be involved in this important and special service to the Lord and the Church, please speak to a priest after Mass

**Confirmation 2018** - The Shrewsbury Confirmation programme is due to begin in March 2018. Meanwhile we invite any young people in Year 8 who hope to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next year to join our Youth Alpha with pizza starting on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September in the Orchard Café, 6.45pm-8.30pm. Parents please email Fr Tony at [revtonymcgrath@outlook.com](mailto:revtonymcgrath@outlook.com) to book a place & receive parental consent forms.

**Youth Meeting** - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 6.45pm-8.30pm, in the Orchard café. All young people aged 13-18 are welcome to attend our Youth Alpha with pizza. Parents please email Fr Tony at [revtonymcgrath@outlook.com](mailto:revtonymcgrath@outlook.com) to book a place & receive parental consent forms.

**St Winefride's red mission boxes** are due to be opened in September. Also the autumn edition of Mission Today is available at the back of church for subscribers. Please contact me on 01743 364329 if there are any problems. Thank you. Christine Underwood.

**Circle of Friends** next get together is on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7.15pm at The Armoury, Frankwell Quay. For more information ring Alice on 01743 625729 or 07891 580166. Everyone welcome.

**APF Cathedral.** Mission Today magazines are now available at the back of Church for all subscribers. If anyone has a red box which requires emptying, please contact me on 01743 851213. Many thanks. Sue Ragdale

**MEDITATION - a 6 weeks introductory course:** 21 Sept-26 Oct at St Winefride's School Hall, Shrewsbury - Thursday evenings only, from 6pm - 7.30pm To reserve a place on a 1st come basis, contact: Margaret Jarvis tel: 01743 - 240401 or Linda Bentinck tel: 01743 243132 - email: [westmids@christianmeditation.org.uk](mailto:westmids@christianmeditation.org.uk)

**SVP** ask you to please look at our posters and reports in church prior to our Lectern address and 2nd Collection which will be this week on 16/17th September in all three churches. Local people are supported with what you give us.

**Young Adults** - several young adults have gathered to provide some fellowship for parishioners of a similar age (roughly 25-45). On **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Orchard Café** we will begin with a five episode DVD series exploring the faith entitled 'Catholicism.' Each episode is an hour long followed by conversation and ending with a visit to the pub shortly after 9pm. You would be very welcome to take part. The Thursday sessions will run every two weeks starting at 7.30pm: 21<sup>st</sup> September, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2<sup>nd</sup> November & 16<sup>th</sup> November. For more information please email Fr Tony at [revtonymcgrath@outlook.com](mailto:revtonymcgrath@outlook.com)

**The AGM of the Shrewsbury Diocese Lourdes' Hospitality** will be held at 2pm today (Sunday 17th September) at St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Wilton Street, Northwich, CW9 5NP. All members of the Hospitality are invited to attend. Contact Kath Emsley, Secretary to the Hospitality, [atkathemsley@gmail.com](mailto:atkathemsley@gmail.com).

**Lourdes 2018** - The dates for next year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes are Thursday 26th July - Friday 3rd August (overland) or Friday 27th July - Thursday 2nd August (by Air). If anybody, over 16 years old before the Pilgrimage departs, wants to go as a helper, then please let Tony or Christine know on 01743 246916 or [tbrn@btinternet.com](mailto:tbrn@btinternet.com) a.s.a.p. We will then arrange an information meeting in October.

**CAFOD 20-week club** winner Week 7 £10 prize No 77 T. Cliever-Hemming


**Cathedral Choir.** We have vacancies for sopranos and altos. Ideally you should have an interest in church music and basic music reading skills. If you'd like more information please email me, Judith Hall, Director of Music [music@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk](mailto:music@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk)

**Choir Scholarships.** We are very pleased to be able to offer a number of Choral Scholarships. These are open to those in Sixth Form, Undergraduates and recent graduates, perhaps on a gap year, living in or around the local area. A Choral Scholarship at the Cathedral is an excellent musical education, and Scholars will be given training in Gregorian chant, traditional and modern church music and an understanding of the Catholic liturgy well as regular experience of choral singing. A Choral Scholarship provides an excellent boost to a singer's musical education, and, for aspiring singers or musicians, is an enormous advantage in terms of university application. Applicants would be required to have music reading skills, experience of singing in a choir (school/college or church) and an interest in church music. Scholarships are open to all denominations. For more information please contact Judith Hall, Director of Music. email: [music@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk](mailto:music@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk). mobile: 01980 149137

The Cathedral Marian Lamp burns this week for **In thanksgiving for the Harvest** and the Cathedral St Winefride's Lamp burns **In thanksgiving for the Harvest**. If you would like either of the lamps to burn for a particular intention, please contact the Cathedral Office. A £5 donation is suggested.

**Soup Lunches** - the Lourdes Group will be serving soup, during/following the Cathedral coffee mornings, from Sunday 24th September. All are welcome to join us.

**Cathedral Coffee on Sunday** next door in No. 12 Belmont after the 10.45am Mass. This week coffee will be served by the **Choir** and next week by the **Children's Liturgy Group**.

| What's on every week... |  |  |
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| Monday                  | <b>Meditation Group</b> 10.45am, Convent, College Hill. Term-time. T: 240401<br><b>Rosary Group</b> 2.30pm at St Winefride's Parish Centre                                 |   |
| Tuesday                 | <b>Meditation Group</b> Fortnightly (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays), 6.45pm (see above)<br><b>SVP meeting (not meeting again until Tuesday 5th September)</b> |   |
| Thursday                | <b>Lectio Divina Group</b> is on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (will not be meeting until September).   |   |

## DATES FOR DIARIES

- Churches Together Shropshire AGM 31st October 5:30pm at Orchard Cafe
- 31st October Ecumenical Vespers to commemorate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the publication by Martin Luther of the Ninety-five Theses - an event that started the Protestant Reformation.

### ANTIPHONS, READINGS & RESPONSES TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

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| <b>Entrance Antiphon:</b>  | <b>Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.</b> |
| <b>First Reading:</b>      | A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus<br><i>Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven</i>       |
| <b>Psalm:</b>              | <b>Psalm 102 The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.</b>   |
| <b>Second Reading:</b>     | A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Romans (14: 7 - 9)<br><i>Alive or dead we belong to the Lord.</i>                                  |
| <b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> | <b>Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!</b>                                   |
| <b>Gospel:</b>             | A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (18: 21 - 35)<br><i>I do not tell you to forgive seven times, but seventy seven times</i>        |
| <b>Communion Antiphon:</b> | <b>How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.</b>  |

The Holy Father's monthly prayer intention for September - Parishes: *That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.*

**YOUR WEEKLY GIVING:** Cathedral: 3rd September £1229.76  
Our Lady of Pity: 2nd September £ 311.70  
St Winefride's: 3rd September £ 630.07 Catholic Education £77.33  
*Thank you for your consistent generosity.*

### CATHEDRAL PARISH CLERGY

Cathedral Dean: Very Reverend Canon Jonathan Mitchell  
Assistant Priests: Reverend Father Edmund Montgomery & Reverend Father Tony McGrath  
Permanent Deacons: Rev. Mr. Fred Beddow, Rev. Mr. Ron Ball, & Rev. Mr. Ben Tomnay  
Associated Priest: Reverend Father David Mawson (*A Priest of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*)  
Retired Priest: Reverend Father Gerard McGuinness

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