



SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL

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AND SAINT PETER OF ALCANTARA



St Vincent
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Turning Concern into Action

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2020



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Last Monday evening a group of parish volunteers delivered the first 'soup run' in partnership with the Shrewsbury Street Pastors and Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury. This new initiative is part of the desire to demonstrate that the Catholic community lives out the Faith we profess and wish to be of service to the poor, the vulnerable, and those most in need. As St James wrote in his Letter, 'What does it profit, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.' If you require more information or would like to join the team of volunteers please contact Richard Keddie at: events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or via the Cathedral Parish Office 01743 290000.

Meanwhile scaffolding has been erected at the West Door of the Cathedral this past week to allow the engineers to ascend, remove the bell and its mechanism and take it away for repair. All being well, the bell should be ringing for the start of Mass, the Consecration, and the Angelus very soon!

Finally, this Sunday has been designated by the Holy Father as the 'Sunday of the Word of God'. Let us thank God in a particular way for the gift He gave us in the sacred Scriptures and in His Son, the Word made Flesh.

Father Edmund

PARISH NEWS

Cathedral Re-ordering: Tomorrow (Monday 27th January) I have a meeting with the committee for the reordering to finalise the contractor who will be responsible for the removal works of the sanctuary. Once I have a start date, I will inform the parish as soon as possible and also I should like to have a General Parish Meeting before the works begin, if time allows, so as to update you on developments and the expected period of works and the necessary changes to the Mass schedule.

Rewiring and Relighting at St Winefride's: A start date of Monday 3rd February has been communicated from the diocese and the contractors to begin work at St Winefride's that will necessitate the suspension of weekday Masses for seven weeks, all being well, until the week beginning 23rd March. Conversations are ongoing to ensure that Sunday Masses remain unaffected. The works are significant and much-needed, but please God, will allow a renewal of St Winefride's interior and sanctuary. Thank you to all those who have and continue to give to the pledges to the Our Mission Together campaign which have made these works possible. God reward your generosity.

CAFOD 20-week draw: Tickets for the next session of the **CAFOD 20-week draw** are on sale now, don't miss this opportunity to win prizes and support CAFOD!!

Priests' Retirement Fund Annual Collection: This will take place over the **weekend of 1st and 2nd February**. This collection helps to meet living costs of our retired clergy. **The way that Gift Aid will be collected on this special collection has changed - please collect a new envelope** (with the same photograph that appears on the poster) **from the back of church to use instead of one from a previous year. Alternatively you may wish to make a donation by scanning the QR (Quick Response) code on the poster at the back of church.** Thank you in advance for your continuing generosity.

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children: Last Sunday's White Flower appeal raised a total of £838.84, and we are very grateful for your generosity. The amount has now been sent to the Society and will significantly help in our work in defending the lives of yet unborn children and saving women from the effects of abortion. Also, an estimated 400 signed postcards will be delivered to the PM requesting that he does not allow the decriminalising of abortion. So well done Shrewsbury!

St Winefride's: We will not have flowers at St Winefride's from Sunday 9th February until Easter due to the building works and Lent.

PARISH EVENTS

Catholic Women's League (CWL) Party: Monday 27th January 2020 to be held in the Orchard Café at 7pm. Anyone connected to the CWL is welcome to join us.

Parish House Group: Recommences on Monday 27th January at 7.00pm for scripture reading, study, prayer and fellowship. We use the readings for the following Sunday's Mass in the *Wednesday Word*. All welcome! Contact tel: 01743 244083. Meeting in the Belle Vue area.

Cheese and Wine Event for all interested in becoming a Youth Leader: On Wednesday 29th January 2020 at 6.30pm in the Parish Rooms. If you are planning on attending please either contact admin@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or revowengallagher@gmail.com

Saturday 1 February 2020: First Saturday: a day of prayer and catechesis at St Winefride. Rosary at 10.45am followed by Mass at 11.15am (EF). A shared lunch to follow. The first catechetical session is at 1.00pm.

The February Bereavement Support Coffee Morning: Is on the first Monday of the month - Monday 3rd February from 10.30am to 12.00noon in the Parish Rooms. On the same morning we have a Walk and Talk group for anyone who would like to leave the parish room at 10.30am for a short walk returning to re-join the coffee morning at about 11.30. All welcome.

Confirmation 2020: There will be an introductory meeting for those who are in Year 8 and above who wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2020. The meeting will take place on Sunday February 9th 2020 in the Orchard cafe after the 6pm Mass in the Cathedral. All the dates for the preparation programme and other

information will be made available. If you would like to make known your certain attendance at this meeting then please contact Father Owen via email either at admin@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or revowengallagher@gmail.com

Cathedral Social Media pages and Cathedral Shop: Please do like/follow/join/get involved our new social media channels!

Facebook: Shrewsbury Cathedral

Instagram: [shrewsbury_cathedral_](#)

Twitter: Shrewsbury Cathedral

The Cathedral shop, located in the Orchard café, received a face-lift just before Christmas. Do come along and have a look at an eclectic range of gifts for you, family and friends.

OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

Request for a Cleaner: Would any parishioner be able to help with a request for a part time cleaner? Needed for approximately 4 hours a week. The house is located just off Town Walls. Please contact Siobhan Connor Tel: 07966177025 or email siobhanconnorpr@gmail.com Many thanks.

Thank you: Josephine and Elizabeth Holles would like to thank all the parishioners for sending Mass and sympathy cards. We were overwhelmed with the love and concern that everyone has expressed. We appreciate your kindness.

The Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage: Will be celebrated by Bishop Mark at 12 noon in St Joseph's Church, North Road, Birkenhead, CH42 7JY on Saturday, 8th February 2020. All married couples and their families are welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary (25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th) and wish to attend the Mass, please let your Parish Priest know (by the 26th January) and you will receive a special letter of invitation. If you are not celebrating a significant anniversary, but still wish to attend the Mass and enjoy the refreshments, please let the Bishop's PA know curia@dioceseofshrewsbury.org - 01743 290052, so that you can be added to the numbers for catering purposes.

Jonathan Veira Concert in Shrewsbury: Friday 31st January 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Meole Brace. From Billy Joel to Mozart to everything in between, it promises to be an evening of ballads, blues, rock and roll, jazz, and even a bit of opera thrown in. Tickets are £7.50 from Trinity Churches Office (01743 362399) or website www.trinitychurches.org.

The Year of the Word 2020: Meeting *the God who speaks* in his word must surely be a priority for all of us. A brochure presenting the diocesan programme of events throughout this year is available at the back of the church. It can also be accessed on the diocesan website, under New Evangelisation. Please have a look at the variety of these activities, many of which will take place in three different parts of the diocese. They are for the general public; everyone is welcome, no prior study is needed.

52nd International Eucharistic Congress, Budapest, 13-20 Sept 2020: Details can be found on the official website <https://www.iec2020.hu/en>. If you are thinking of attending the Congress and wish to do so with the diocese, please contact the Diocesan Mission Secretary as soon as possible. Email: Anthony.Timothy@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Tel: 0151 652 9855

Marian Lamp: The Marian Lamp burns for the first week of every month for the Sidoli family. The Marian Lamp burns w/c 26th January for the Molodecki family.

Collections	19 January
Cathedral	£977.67
St Winefride	£330.92
Institute of Christ the King	£185.10 (12 th January: £238.63)
Our Lady of Pity	£302.92

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HOLY MASS SCHEDULE IN THE WEEK AHEAD: 26 JANUARY 2020

Sat 25 January The Conversion of St Paul, Ap	10.00am	Cathedral	Josephine Maughan	
End of Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity <i>Vigil of the following:</i>	6pm	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott	Follette and O'Donnell Families	
Sun 26 January	8.30am	Cathedral	Betty Jones	RIP
	9am	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott		Polish
	9am	St Mary, Shifnal		
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	St George, Whitchurch	Breege Kelly	
	9.30am	St Winefride, Monkmoor		EF
	10.30am	St Joseph, Albrighton		
	10.45am	Cathedral	Archie Spriggs	
Sunday of the Word of God	11.15am	St Winefride, Monkmoor		
	6pm	Cathedral	People of the Parish	
Mon 27 January	7.30am	Convent Chapel		
	12.15pm	Cathedral	Helen Kelleher	RIP
Tue 28 January St Thomas Aquinas, P, D	9.30am	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott	Mary Holles	RIP
	12.15pm	Cathedral	Leonardo Salas	
Wed 29 January	9.30am	St Winefride, Monkmoor	Mary Holles	RIP
	12.15pm	Cathedral	Marcel de Brauwere	RIP
Thu 30 January	12.15pm	Cathedral	Mrs Smith	RIP
Fri 31 January St John Bosco, P	12.15pm	Cathedral	Billy (In Holland)	
Sat 1 February	9.30am	Cathedral	Christine Barnes	
<i>Vigil of the following:</i>	6pm	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott	Mary Holles	RIP
Sun 2 February	8.30am	Cathedral	People of the Parish	Polish
	9am	Our Lady of Pity, Harlescott		
	9am	St Mary, Shifnal		
The Presentation of the Lord	9.30am	St George, Whitchurch		
	9.30am	St Winefride, Monkmoor	Victor Garcia	RIP
	10.30am	St Joseph, Albrighton		
	10.45am	Cathedral	Danny O'Donnell	
	11.15am	St Winefride, Monkmoor		EF
	6pm	Cathedral	David Davies	

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every day 5-6pm concluding with Evening Prayer and Benediction

CONFESSION

Confession available before every weekday Mass and every Sunday Mass for one hour. On a Saturday confessions are after Mass for one hour.

SAFEGUARDING

Bridie Croucher, Parish safeguarding co-ordinator, 07946 735289

Andrew O'Brien, Diocesan safeguarding co-ordinator, 0151 6529855

CATHEDRAL CLERGY

Rev Fr Edmund Montgomery, Administrator of the Cathedral

Rev Fr Owen Gallagher, Rev Fr Isidore Madueke, Assistant Priests, Rev Fr Gerard McGuinness (retired Priest)

Rev Fr Tom Cunnah, Judicial Vicar, Vice-Chancellor, Administrator of Shifnal and Albrighton

Rev Canon Scott Smith, Rev Fr Anselm Gribbin, Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

Rev Ron Ball, Ben Tomnay, Fred Beddow, Parish Deacons

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