

The Catholic Church in Shrewsbury

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Sunday 22nd August 2010 Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 21 st		Harlescott	6.00pm	Harewood and Gill Berry Ruby Wedding
Sun 22 nd	<i>Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Cathedral	8.30am	Lilly Murray (Birthday Intention)
		Monkmoor	9.30am	Peter Loughlin (RIP Anniversary)
		Cathedral	10.15am	Morning Prayer : Sacred Heart Chapel
		Cathedral	10.45am	Tina and her family
		Monkmoor	12:15 pm	Mass in the Extra-Ordinary Rite
		Cathedral	5.30pm	Vespers (Evening Prayer)
		Cathedral	6pm	Parishioners
Mon 23 rd	<i>Ferial</i>	Convent	9.00am	Sister M Dympna (RIP Anniversary)
		Cathedral	12.15pm	Stephen Morrissey (Lately Dead)
Tues 24 th	<i>Saint Bartholomew</i>	Harlescott	9.30am	Priest's Intention
		Cathedral	12.15pm	Ted and Winnie Evans (RIP Anniversary)
Wed 25 th	<i>Ferial</i>	Monkmoor	9.30am	Celebration of Word & Communion
		Cathedral	12.15pm	Priest's Intention
Thurs 26 th	<i>Ferial</i>	Harlescott	9.30am	Priest's Intention
		Cathedral	12.15pm	Timothy Wallace (RIP)
Fri 27 th	<i>Saint Monica</i>	Cathedral	12.15pm	Martin and Anne Scanlon (Intentions of)
		Monkmoor	7pm	Ronald Thorpe (RIP)
Sat 28 th	<i>Saint Augustine</i>	Cathedral	9.30am	Lily Drain (RIP)
		Harlescott	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun 29 th	<i>Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Cathedral	8.30am	Dec. membs of Grech, Gatt, Micallef fam.
		Monkmoor	9.30am	In Thanksgiving
		Cathedral	10.15am	Morning Prayer : Sacred Heart Chapel
		Cathedral	10.45am	Friends of the Cathedral
		Monkmoor	12:15 pm	Mass in the Extra-Ordinary Rite
		Cathedral	5.30pm	Vespers (Evening Prayer)
		Cathedral	6pm	Priest's Intentions

*The Cathedral ~ Town Walls, Shrewsbury; Our Lady of Pity ~ Meadow Farm Drive, Harlescott
Saint Winefride's ~ Crowmere Road, Monkmoor; The Cathedral Primary School ~ New Park Road*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Cathedral
Harlescott
Monkmoor

Immediately after Saturday 9.30am Mass
Saturday 5.15 - 5.45pm
Friday 6.15 – 6.45pm



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FROM CATHEDRAL HOUSE

Last year I went on a short city break to Berlin. At the old dividing line between East and West Berlin were the remnants of the colossal Brandenburg gate, through which Hitler's armies marched. On a visit to the Pergamon Museum of Antiquity in East Berlin, I sat in awe before the monumental Babylonian Ishtar gate, through which the Judaeon exiles were marched. Broad gates are for armies and characterise oppressive power. In today's gospel Jesus says we must enter by the narrow gate. Narrow gates lead into gardens and humble homes. Often we must even stoop to enter them. Usually you enter a narrow gate by invitation, bowed down and with stragglers in tow. It is the marginalised and suffering people of the world that Jesus will welcome. Let us pray in gratitude for the peoples from the four corners of the earth who are joining our eucharistic banquets, and let us not forget the millions of people suffering as a result of the flooding in Pakistan and China. Wishing you all a great week, whatever you are doing!

Canon Stephen and Father Christopher

Financial News: The Offertory Collections last week were:

Cathedral: £993.00

Saint Winefride: £397.00

Our Lady of Pity: £171.97

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara May Clarkson who has died recently and for her family and friends who mourn her, that they may be comforted and consoled.

Papal Mass at Cofton Park, 19 September 2010.

Please find below a **Pilgrim Briefing notice** regarding the **Papal Mass on 19th September 2010 at Cofton Park Birmingham. E-mails with the full briefing notice have been sent to those pilgrims who supplied an address. The remaining pilgrims will receive theirs through the post.**

It is essential that you inform me, **Mary Roberts, on 07817461618 BY TUESDAY 24TH AUGUST 2010 if you are now unable to attend this Mass.** We were lucky enough to get all 58 seats applied for in the first instance, and although there have been some changes, I now have **only 3 spare places** and at this moment in time I AM UNABLE TO GET ANY FURTHER PLACES. However, if for what ever reason you did not put your name down on the original list and you still wish to go to the Papal Mass please telephone me on the number above and I will create a 'reserve reserve list' – although at this stage **I cannot guarantee any further places after those 3 have been re-distributed. The three spare spaces will now be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Any empty spaces on the day will have to be paid for by the LPA, another reason why you MUST inform me ASAP (a) if you can no longer go to the Papal Mass or (b) if you would like to try to get a place. Payment** for places must be made by **SUNDAY 29th AUGUST 2010** – see notes in full briefing notice regarding the methods of payment. If payments are not made by this date and if you do not attend you will still be billed for the Pilgrim Pack. If you have not received an e-mail from me by now it means that I cannot read your e-mail address properly! Please phone the number below to clarify!!! If you have any questions that are not dealt with in the full briefing notice please do not hesitate to telephone or text me on 07817461618 and I will try to answer your query!!!

Cathedral Stewards: thank you to all those stewards who attended the recent meeting or who sent apologies. The rota is on the board located in the 'shop'. Please fill in the gaps as necessary. Thanks again, Mary.

The new **Cathedral readers' rota** for the September / October period is now on the noticeboard and copies are in the box. Please let Bernard know ASAP if there are any problems.

Mass Offerings: It's a very Catholic tradition to ask for Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention, and to provide an offering towards the upkeep of the clergy. There are envelopes available at the back of our churches to help you make your requests.

What's On This Week and next

Sun 5 Sept	Diaconate Candidacy Mass in the Cathedral at 3pm (replaces 6pm Mass that day)
Mon 6	CAFOD Group meeting, Chapter House, 7.30pm

Shrewsbury Diocesan History Day will be on Saturday 2 October at St Mary of the Angels, Hooton. See poster at the back of church for details.

Hawkstone Hall is holding a **Harvest Afternoon and Hog Roast** on Saturday 18 September. Details on poster at the back of the Cathedral, information and tickets from the secretary, Mrs Swatman on 01630 685242 ext 248 (Mon-Fri 9am-3pm)

Shrewsbury Diocesan Service Team will be hosting a **Day of Revival** at St Teresa's Church, Blacon, Chester on Sat 11 September. Details on poster at the back of the Cathedral, or contact Rita Wilkinson on 07803 281 971

Calling all thespians! Churches Together in Shrewsbury and Shrewsbury Fair Trade Group are arranging for some street theatre in the grounds of St Alkmund's Church on Saturday 4 September, to coincide with the Street Theatre Festival. Scripts can be provided, or write your own; groups (of all age ranges) who would like to be involved please contact Denise Williamson 01743 359936.

Just a reminder to everyone, when you start to plan programmes for the autumn, do please send a note to the Cathedral Office so that your meetings and events can be entered on the LPA diary. Items can be emailed to admin@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or handed in, and should be marked LPA Diary. Not only is this publicity for your group or event, but it helps to avoid events clashing. Thank you to those who read this last week and acted on it.

St Winefride Action Group (SWAG) There will be a cake sale after 9.30 Mass on Sunday 5 September, also the start of the Smartie Challenge. The box for unwanted or broken jewellery will be at the back of church.

Many thanks also for the support given from all three parishes for St Winefride's barbecue on 8th August which raised £310, and donations totalling £120 were received on the same day. Thank you to everyone for making this event such a success. The car park fund now stands at £2980.30.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2011: No sooner are we back from Lourdes than we have to start thinking about next year! A meeting, for anybody interested in going as a helper on next year's pilgrimage, will be held on Sunday 12th September, time and place to be confirmed. Volunteers must be aged 16 or over by 26th July 2011. Please register your interest by contacting Christine, David or Tony on 246916 or tbrn@btinternet.com.

Talks in the Cathedral leading up to the Papal Visit:

- 'Cardinal John Henry Newman – priest and poet' a talk by Michael Schutzer Weissmann on Thursday 9 September at 7.30pm;
- 'Thomas More through the kaleidoscope' by Father Gerard McGuinness on Sunday 12 September at 3pm.

Blagovest Ensemble. A chance to appreciate a winning combination – Cathedral acoustics and fantastic voices. The Blagovest Ensemble will be singing Russian Sacred Music and Russian Folk Music at the Cathedral.

Date – Sunday 12 September. Time – 7.30pm. Cost – Retiring collection only. Any queries call Edmund Coxhead 361347.

The **cleaning of the Cathedral** will take place after 12.15pm Mass on a Tuesday and Friday each week: please come along and lend a hand. Thank you.

Cathedral Coffee This week coffee will be served by the SVP after 10.45 Mass, and next week by the Choir. All are welcome.

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 116:1-2

**R. Go out to the whole world;
proclaim the Good News.
Alleluia!**

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him. and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed. 'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men !" 'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. 'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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