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Our Lady of the Rosary

10TH OCTOBER 2021

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation is suspended until the First Sunday in Advent.

Sat	9th	18:15	Erick and Pauline Feber	St Patrick's
Sun	10th	09:00	Private Intention	Our Lady's
The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time		11:00	In Thanksgiving - Franklin & Donna	St Patrick's
		12:30	Baptism - Harriet George	St Patrick's
		17:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
Mon	11th	Ferial	No Mass today	St Patrick's
Tue	12th	Ferial	Owen Duffy Intentions	St Patrick's
Wed	13th	Ferial	Jim Fitton	Our Lady's
Thur	14th	Ferial	Doris Eccles	St Patrick's
Fri	15th	St Teresa of Avila, Virgin, Doctor of the Church		
		12:00	Catherin Fernando & Isidor Comester	St Patrick's
Sat	16th	Ferial		
Sat	16th	18:15	Mearcy Fernando	St Patrick's
Sun	17th	09:00	Shrimpton Family Intention	Our Lady's
The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time		11:00	Mahi's Family Intention	St Patrick's
		17:00	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

By Appointment

Newsletter items: newsletter@stpatrickstelford.com

Please send items by 5pm on Wednesday

The Diocese of Shrewsbury is a Registered Charity (No.234025)

LET US KNOW YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

We have begun using e-mail addresses to keep in touch with parishioners and to circulate the Newsletter. If you are not yet receiving parish updates let us know your email address and you too can be included. Send an email to ccntelford@gmail.com and we shall keep you abreast of the latest news and updates all in the comfort of your own home!

DATA PROTECTION PRIVACY NOTICE

Our two parishes sometimes collect personal information about parishioners. All personal information is collected, processed and stored in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. This is retained only as necessary and used by the Parish/Diocese for the benefit of the Parish and for legitimate reasons such as administrative and religious purposes. You can read our full privacy notice at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

Your prayers are asked for the sick and the housebound and all those who are in hospital, the Hospice or local nursing homes. We remember especially the doctors, nurses and all medical staff at our hospitals; also all the staff at our local nursing and care homes and parishioners shielding or self-isolating at home during this time of pandemic.

We remember in prayer all who have died, especially **Eileen Chanley**, and all who are mourning the death of a loved one, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

We prayerfully welcome into the Church **Jakub Wasilewski** who was Baptised yesterday (Saturday), and **Harriet George** who will be Baptised today and congratulate her family members also.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

For October, Pope Francis asks us all to keep in our prayers the following intention:

Evangelisation - Missionary Disciples

That every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

YEAR OF PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

The Heavenly Father chose you, St Joseph, to be the husband of the Holy Mother of God, and to watch over your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

In times of joy and trial, pray for us so that we too can recognise the loving plan of the Eternal Father, who always works for the good of those who love Him.

Teach us, Guardian of the Holy Family, to be attentive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit; and to draw closer to the Lord Jesus in all the circumstances of our lives and, above all, in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist.

At the last, pray for us that we may happily join you, the just and faithful servant, to praise God forever in the company of Our Lady and all the saints.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CATHOLIC DIARIES

We know we are still in September, and that 2022 seems a long way away – but early birds and worms come to mind! If you wish to order a Catholic Diary for 2022, please add your name to the list in the church porch. Diaries cost £3.00 each.

STAMPS

The RNIB collecting box is in the church porch for your used stamps. Mrs Rebello thanks all those who continue to contribute to help the Institute.

LIVESTREAM MASSES

From Shrewsbury Cathedral on Sunday at 08:30hrs and 11:00hrs on website:

www.churchservices.tv/shrewsburycathedral

When you log on to the website you will find, in the churches tab, that there are lots of churches across England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland who live-stream Masses. Some are cathedrals, others parish churches, you can make your choice from the many Masses that are on offer at various scheduled times.

SYRO-MALABAR MASSES AND PRAYER VIGILS

Mass in the Syro-Malabar Rite is celebrated on the 4th Saturday of each month at 3.30pm at Our Lady's. Prayer vigils will be held on Saturday evenings at 7pm. Restrictions on numbers will apply to those services, as they are to all gatherings in our buildings.

CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR MASS IN OUR PARISHES

You are asked to still make a booking for a place at one of the **weekend Masses**, please phone the Parish Office on 01952 242423 **BETWEEN 9.00AM AND 11.00AM, MONDAY TO FRIDAY**. The answerphone may be on after those hours – leave a message – we will get back to you. You can always email us on cctelford@gmail.com to make a booking.

There is no longer a need to book a place at one of our **weekday Masses**. Turn-up; add your name to the Attendance List; and choose a seat, safe distancing from others.

Hand sanitizer and face coverings will continue to be required at all times in church.

The Distribution of Holy Communion has reverted to its pre-2020 place during Mass. As far as possible, Communion will be distributed at the top of each aisle. Continuing restrictions mean we cannot offer the chalice yet, and Communion must be received in the hand and not the tongue. **Having received Communion, people return to their seats for the concluding parts of the Mass.**

As soon as we can, we are also planning to resume tea and coffee after our Sunday Masses at both churches. The kitchen at Our Lady's will have to be inspected by Health and Safety people from Telford & Wrekin before we can use the kitchen facilities.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Please take and return CAFOD Fast Day envelopes by Sunday, 24th October so the amount raised can be sent by the end of the month.

MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's Offertory Collections:

St Patrick's: £ 786.00

Our Lady's: £ 395.30

Thank you for your continued generosity, and especially those continuing to pay by standing order. If you wish to start giving regularly by standing order or envelope, please speak to Father Alban or email the Parish Office.

SVP APPEAL

Help! The need now is greater than ever

Afghan Refugees The SVP is supporting some families who are in temporary accommodation locally. There is a need for suitcases and unused makeup. These can be brought to church for collection.

The SVP are also looking for smart phones for their Afghan clients so that they can keep in touch with family members in Afghanistan. If anyone has an old spare phone they are happy to donate (and the charger if possible) please let the parish office know and we can pass it on. You can also leave them with the stewards at Mass and they will be passed on. Ideally, the phone needs to be unlocked from previous networks and have the previous owner's Google or Apple iPhone account deleted from the phone.

During the pandemic we have been unable to raise funds by holding events or retiring collections. If you could make a donation by cheque (made out to SVP) that would be a huge help.

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a member of either of the parish SVP groups, please contact:

Janet Beyer (Our Lady's) tel: 01952 410315

email: j.beyer202@virginmedia.com

Cath Evans (St Patrick's)

tel: Parish Office on 01952 242423

Many thanks for your help and support.

JOINT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AND PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Despite the United Kingdom having one of the highest COVID infection rates, we are learning to live with the pandemic and things are easing to the "New normal".

With schools and parish life beginning to open-up, it is an opportunity for members of the Parish Council and Finance Committee to meet to map out future plans for the parishes. They will meet on Monday, 1st November in St Patrick's Meeting Room. If you want them to consider particular matters: write them down on the sheets provided and pop them into the gold box in the porch – not forgetting your name and contact number.

SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION

A two-year 'synodal' process is taking place in the Catholic Church from October 2021 that culminates in the final Synod Gathering of Bishops in Rome in October 2023. The Pope will launch the process with a special Mass in St Peter's, Rome this Sunday.

Next Sunday, Bishop Mark and all the bishops of England and Wales launch it with a special Pastoral Letter. Parish meetings for reflection and prayer and our deanery (Missionary Area) will need to be submitted by Christmas to the Bishop. More news soon.

NEWS ABOUT LOURDES

For the last two years the diocese has not been able to arrange its annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes because of the COVID restrictions. However, we have heard in the last few days, that plans are being drawn-up for the 2022 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The dates are: for those travelling overland – departure will be on Thursday, 28th July, arriving home on Friday, 5th August 2022; for those travelling by air – departure will be on Friday, 29th July, arriving home on Thursday, 4th August 2022. As soon as more information is received it will be available to parishioners.

CLEANING TEAMS NEEDED

We thank those who have volunteered so far.

We need more teams to spread the load. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Friday or Saturday once a month to help keep our buildings clean, please add your name to the list in the porch.

NEWS FROM ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL AND SHREWSBURY CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

"We enjoyed an excellent harvest assembly celebration on Friday, 1st October involving singing, musical instruments and readings by our children.

"A big thank you for all the generous donations of food. We know this contribution will make a huge difference to the lives of many local people via the good work of our local Food Banks.

"Thanks too, for the contributions to **CAFOD** via parent pay, your generosity is outstanding and reflects our family-centred and caring ethos so well. So far, we have raised **£171** for Shrewsbury Cathedral School and **£169** for St Patrick's School. Many thanks."

Graeme Hawes – Executive Headteacher

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Even though the rich young man was so close to salvation – he had always kept all the commandments – Jesus allowed him to go away without becoming one of his followers. It seems that the man was not ready. This extraordinary Christ who leaves people absolutely free to choose, to accept or reject, hands out the same invitation to us today.

THE 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

(Wisdom 7: 7-11)

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord

R/ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 89)

**Response: Fill us with your love
that we may rejoice.**

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R/**
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **R/**
3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R/**

SECOND READING

(Hebrews 4: 12-13)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father,

Lord of heaven and earth,

**for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.**

Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL

(Mark 10: 17-30)

The Lord be with you.

R/ And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

R/ Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, "Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother." And he said to him, "Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days." Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, "There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!" The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, "My children," he said to them "How hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." They were more astonished than ever. "In that case" they said to one another "who can be saved?" Jesus gazed at them. "For men" he said, "it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God." Peter took this up. "What about us?" he asked him. "We have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land — not without persecutions — now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.