



PARISH OF ST JOSEPH & ST ALBAN

SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA - ST JOSEPH & ST ALBAN

MINISTERING BY THE CONGREGATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (SSS)

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Local Pastoral Area 21 - The Diocese of Shrewsbury is a Registered Charity: No. 234025



Sat	Aug 29	Vigil	STA	05.00pm	Our Parish Family
Sun	Aug 30	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	STA	09.30am	Intentions of Slater Family
			STJ	11.00am	Sean Glennon (RIP)
			STJ	05.30pm	Joan McPadden
Mon	Aug 31	St Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne	STJ	12 noon	Margaret Roberts (RIP)
Tue	Sept 01	World day of Prayer for The Care of Creation	STA	09.30am	Mass for Care of Creation
Wed	Sept 02	Ferial	STJ	12 noon	Lorna Cairney
Thur	Sept 03	St Gregory the Great	STA	12 noon	Slater Family Intentions
Fri	Sept 04	St Cuthbert	STA	12 noon	Agnes Johnson (RIP)
Sat	Sept 05	St Theresa of Calcutta	STJ	12 noon	Healing Mass/ our Parish Sick list
Sat	Sept 05	Vigil	STA	05.00pm	Benjamin Lee Pickup
Sun	Sept 06	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	STA	09.30am	Ian McLeod 1st Anniversary
			STJ	11.00am	Sarah McIver (RIP)
			STJ	05.30pm	Parish Family

First reading: Jeremiah 20. 7-9

'The word of the Lord has become a reproach.'

O Lord, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing-stock all the day; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, 'Violence and destruction!' For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, 'I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name', there is in my heart as if were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

Response to the Psalm: Ps 63(62):2. 3-4.5-6. 8-9. R. 2b

For my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Second Reading: Romans 12: 1-2

'Present your bodies as a living sacrifice.'

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Gospel Acclamation: Cf. Ep 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.

Alleluia.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mathew 16:21-27.

'If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself.'

WEEKLY SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES	DAY	TIME	VENUE
Morning Prayer	Tuesday - Thursday	09.00am	STA
Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament	Weekdays	30 Minutes before Mass	As Mass
Rosary	Tuesday	10.00am	STA
Ecumenical Morning Prayer	Friday	09.30am	STA PARISH HALL
Divine Mercy Rosary	Friday	11.00am	STA
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Friday & Saturday	11.30 - 11.55 am	As Mass

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE IN NEED:

Ray Maher, Mary Ross, Bernadette Ross, Ruth Smerdon, Pauline Carew, Albie MacKinnon, Betti Corri, Mary Buckley, Clare Morris, Shirley Anderson, Janet Maher, Agnes Fitzgerald, Betty Durkin, Linda Keyes, Michael & Marilyn Molyneux, Margaret Casey, John McDavitt, Pauline McGovern, Teresa Tharratt, Bernadette Davies, Kelly Woods, Rose Duffy, Frances Slater, Kath Kehoe, Katie Jenkins, Louisa Johnston, Emily Taylor, Steve Taylor, Rachel Wilson, Alan George, Pat Walker, Catherine Jones, Beryl Benson.

REST IN PEACE: Margaret Roberts, Mary McQuade, Mary Harrison, Brenda Lloyd, Bernard Wilson.

FINANCE

Gift Aid **£224.82p**, Non-Gift Aid **£85.00p**

Loose Plate **£418.52p**

Total £728.34p

Thank you for your continuous generosity

To Gift Aid or make your offertory or any donation online, please take forms from the back of church or contact the parish office for the bank details.

May God bless you!

Diary Dates

Please join us

First Friday Lunch ~ 4th September

St Albans Sunday Teas ~ 6th September

Tuesday Coffee Morning ~ 8th September

Messy Church ~ 20th September

Baptism Preparation ~ 13th September

We look forward to seeing you all again!

St Joseph's Church

Saturday 3rd October

Proms

Across the Mersey

with Adam Lacey

Tickets £15

(includes raffle tickets and refreshments)

**Tickets on sale at weekend masses
or message/ring**

Eleanor 07808 302256 or Pat 07889 475852

All proceeds to the

Churches Restoration Fund



**THE DIMENSIONS OF LOVE – FR TOM'S
PILGRIMAGE**

To mark ten years of priestly ministry, **Fr Tom Cunnah the Chancellor** will undertake a nine-day, 130-mile thanksgiving pilgrimage across the Diocese of Shrewsbury, travelling from West Kirby to Ludlow and Shining Tor. His journey begins on **3 September**. Throughout the pilgrimage, Fr Tom will be praying especially for vocations and raising awareness and funds for the work of Caritas, supporting families in need across the diocese. Parishioners are warmly invited to accompany him in prayer and to follow his progress on Caritas social media, for more updates.

**The Season of Care for Creation
begins Tuesday 1st of September**

The Masses on 1st September, 9.30am at St Alban's Church and 6.45pm at Holy Apostles will follow the beautiful new Care for Creation liturgy and the theme: Living Water. **Also** on Tuesday 1st September at 2pm at Holy Apostles Church we will follow that theme with a short film called Water Stories and reflections on our use of water.

Please take a leaflet and join us at other events



**at Holy Apostles and Martyrs
from 1st September to 4th October
information and resources**

<https://seasonofcreation.org/resources/>

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
Programme 2026/27**

If you would like more information or to join the new RCIA programme please speak to Fr Thambi or leave your contact details at the parish office.

stalbanandstjoseph@yahoo.co.uk

The programme will be starting soon and will continue through to Easter 2027 when candidates will be received into the church at the Vigil mass

ST JOEY'S LOTTO

This week's numbers

2 3 4 5 8 11

£10 lucky numbers 131817 / 131764

Jackpot for next week is **£250** In 15 numbers

Tickets are 50p and can be purchased after Friday noon mass and at the weekend masses in St Joseph's and St Alban's

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

FUN QUIZ NIGHT

St Alban's Hall

**Saturday 12th September
from 7:00pm - £5 on the door**

Please bring your own drink,
nibbles and glass!

All proceeds for SVP funds



WIRRAL FOOD BANK

St Alban's Distribution Centre Tuesday 5.30 - 7pm

Thank you for your continued generosity

The Wirral Foodbank would like to thank St Alban's for the very kind donations of **58.6kg** of food for the Month of August.