

Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Marple



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22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Sunday Vigil 6pm	30th August VIGIL MASS Intention: For the Parish	Thursday 10am	3rd September Priest Intention
9am	MORNING MASS Intention: For the Parish	6pm	Holy Hour
Monday 10am	31st August Priest Intention	Friday 10:30am	4th September Requiem Mass: Kathleen Williams
Tuesday	1st September No Mass	Saturday 6pm	5th September VIGIL MASS Intention: Mary Abbott RIP
Wednesday 10:45am	2nd September Requiem Mass: Stephen Wilkinson	Sunday 9am	6th September Intention: For the Parish
Baptism/Marriage			By appointment
Sacrament of Reconciliation			As above

THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Please pray for Christopher Brown, Christopher Clifford, Fr. Bill Fitzgerald, Isaac Iqba, Stuart Madden, Steven Platts, Emily Small, Kathryn Smith, James Tanner, Jarek Tomaszewski, Mary Gilbody, Sharon Rodgers, Sarah Callan, Margaret Redman, Penny Bowker, John Farrell, Vincent Taylor.

Marian Lamp: This Week the Marian Lamp is lit for **The Parish Community.**

A warm welcome to everyone. If you are new to the parish, please fill in a card and give it to Fr Stephen. We shall be glad to visit you and make you as welcome as possible. The Diocese of Shrewsbury is a Registered Charity No.234025

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Fr. Stephen Writes

This week the Gospel shares “**If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.**” The cross represents the difficulties, sacrifices, responsibilities, and challenges we encounter in life. Jesus does not promise us a life without struggles. Instead, He promises to walk with us through them. At times, we may wonder why certain difficulties come our way.

We may feel discouraged when our prayers seem unanswered or when life does not go according to our plans. The Gospel invites us to trust God even when we cannot understand everything. To take up our cross means to remain faithful to place God at the centre of our lives. Jesus also reminds us that true life is not found in gaining everything the world offers, but in giving ourselves in love.

Whatever we sacrifice for Christ is never wasted. Our life is a journey, and Jesus walks with us every step of the way. May we have the courage to live fully, love deeply, serve generously, and trust God with whatever tomorrow may bring. May Christ fill our lives with hope, peace, and the joy of knowing that we are never alone.

Scripture Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9 Romans 12:1-2 Matthew 16:21-27 Page 392

Funeral Arrangements, Requiem Masses At Holy Spirit Marple

Wednesday 2nd September 10:45am - Stephen Wilkinson

Friday 4th September 10:30am - Kathleen Williams

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful, departed rest in peace Amen.**

Churches Together

Invitation for early risers to come to pray on Wednesday mornings 7 - 8 am at Connect in Queen Street Marple. Also see the August link magazine:
www.churchestogethermarplearea.org.uk

September Saturday 19th St Martin's Heritage Trust 2:30 - 4 pm

October Saturday 10th Churches Together Wellspring Walk starts 10 am at Holy Spirit Church

October Saturday 17th Fairtrade Coffee Morning 10 - 12 Marple URC.

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Laudate Si Centre Thursday 24th September

A visit to the Laudate Si Centre limited to 20 people if anyone is interested, please sign the sheet at the back of the church, for more information, please speak to Elizabeth Foster.

St Peter's Hazelgrove Footsteps SK7 4EA On Thursday 3rd September At 7.30pm

We welcome back to Footsteps the Bishop of Stockport, Sam Corley who'll be talking about 'Lessons in prayer from the South Pacific'. Always an engaging, entertaining and captivating speaker, we hope you'll come to our informal, friendly event which takes places in a café-style setting in the parish centre at St Peter's; we serve light refreshments and nibbles. Footsteps provides a forum for all denominations where we can listen to and reflect on various topics as we journey in our Christian faith.