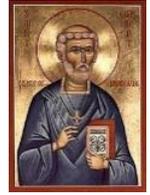




The Parish of Saint Luke, Frodsham & St Cuthbert-by-the-Forest, Mouldsworth

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FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES, BOTH CHURCHES WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

For your information, the readings this Sunday are:



First Reading: Acts 8: 5-8. 14-17

Psalm: Psalm 65:1-7. 16. 20 R. v.1

Response: Cry out with joy to God all the earth

Second Reading: St Peter 3: 15-18

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him'.*

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14: 15-21

Mass can be live-streamed from the Cathedral via their website (<https://www.shrewsburycathedral.org>) or the Diocesan website (<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org>). Sunday Mass times are 8:30am and 10:45am. Please see previous newsletters for links to some other local parishes.

SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY: Since the lockdown, Fr Colin has been writing a commentary each week on the lections for the following Sunday until we can resume normal business. If there is anyone else who would like to receive these, please let Pauline Stitt have your email address. Her email is: nrspstitt@gmail.com



MASS FOR THE SICK AND THEIR FAMILIES, NHS FRONTLINE WORKERS AND THOSE WORKING IN SOCIAL CARE: This Thursday, the Solemnity of the Ascension, as part of this series of national Masses for medical staff and carers, Bishop Mark Davies will celebrate Mass from Shrewsbury Cathedral at 7:00pm, 21 May. **You will find the link for each Thursday Mass at the Bishops' Conference Webpage, cbcew.org.uk.**

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS: Father James continues to say a private Mass daily, and will this week be remembering: **The Bowker Family** (Thanksgiving) & **Parishioners' Intentions** Sunday 17th; **Ian Gaynor** (RIP, Anniversary) Monday 18th; **Michael Robertshaw** (RIP) Tuesday 19th; **Clergy Fund Intention** Thursday 21st; and **Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life** on Friday 22nd.

HOME SUPPORT: If you or anyone you know is isolating at home and needs support, please email us at stlukes.frodsham.community@gmail.com. We have a group of volunteers ready and willing to help!

St Luke's Parish, Frodsham sometimes collects personal information about parishioners.

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<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice>.



PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Canon Phil Moor's mother	Graham Jubb Jack Turner	Deacon Philip White Karen Dolan	Patrick Lowes Sarah Goodhall
Fr Jim McGrath	Kathleen Garvie	Winnie Simcock	Frank Hewitt
Fr Pat Munroe	Jim Corrigan	Rita Robertshaw	Audrey Ramsbottom
Fr Paul Hughes	Hugh McNeil	Tony Wakefield	
June Cunniffe	Kathleen Edwards	Genevieve Ross	
Cora Sharkey	Helen Grimes	Carol Nordmann	

Your prayers have also been asked for the full recovery of both **Bishop Vincent Malone**, Emeritus Auxiliary Bishop of Liverpool, who has tested positive for COVID-19; and **Bishop Paul Swarbrick**, Bishop of Lancaster, who had a cycling accident last Friday which has left him with a fractured skull and damage to his left ear.



Please contact us by email or telephone if you wish to include or remove a person from the list. Many thanks.



REST IN PEACE: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Maureen Marsland** who died on Saturday 2nd May. Her funeral will be a graveside service at St John's Cemetery, Kingsley on Wednesday this week. May she rest in peace.

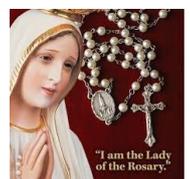
Your prayers are also requested for the repose of the souls of **Bishop Leo McCartie** and **Father David Duggan** who have both died recently. Please also remember the soul of **Mary Conway**, the wife of Deacon John Conway, who died on 28th April at Wythenshaw Hospital. Please keep them all, their families and friends in your prayers. May they rest in peace.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: This Thursday, 21 May, is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, and would, in normal times, have been a Holyday of Obligation. The message of the Ascension is clear. The saving work of Christ is now being handed over to the Church. The baton is being passed on to us. Just as in a relay race, it is imperative that we do not drop the baton. In other words, the responsibility for passing on the faith rests with us. We carry the faith with courage and conviction and we pass it on to those we meet. You are encouraged to commemorate the bodily ascension of Jesus into heaven by joining one of the many live-streamed Masses available online if at all possible.



RE-EMERGENCE OF SOCIETY FROM THE STATE OF NATIONAL LOCKDOWN: In response to recent governmental statements and the document "Our Plan to Rebuild", which seemed to indicate that the first stage of the re-opening of churches may be delayed for at least two months, the Bishops of England and Wales have issued a statement, which can be accessed [here](#). The statement maintains the Bishops' commitment to working with the public authorities in ensuring the safest way of re-opening churches, while reminding the government of the country's spiritual need.

ROSARY DURING MAY: It is notable how Pope Francis has taken up the Rosary to ask Our Lady's intervention at this troubled moment in history and pray that the global pandemic will be overcome. In our own May devotions, let us be especially united with the Holy Father in this intercessory prayer. Remember, his letter and two additional prayers to Our Lady can be found on the website on the [Letters to Parishioners](#) page.



WELCOME TO FRODSHAM: All at St Luke's would like to wish a warm welcome to **Reverend Elaine Atack**, who was remotely instituted to the Parish of St Laurence as their new vicar on Monday evening. We send her prayers and blessings for her ministry in Frodsham.

"God exists: that is the real message of Easter. Anyone who even begins to grasp what this means also knows what it means to be redeemed." (Pope Benedict XVI)