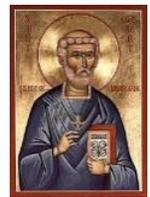




The Parish of Saint Luke, Frodsham & St Cuthbert-by-the-Forest, Mouldsworth

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THE SACRAMENT OF MERCY (CONFESSIONS): Saturday 5.15-5.45 pm

BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & MARRIAGES: Please contact Father James or the secretary Wednesdays or Fridays 10am-3pm.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Friday of the month 9:00am.

MORNING PRAYER FROM THE DIVINE OFFICE: Wednesdays and Fridays 9:15am, before Mass

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT				
Day of Special Prayer for All Migrants and Refugees				
Day	Feast	Time	Service	Intention
Sat 2 nd	Evening Mass of the Sunday	6:00pm <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Mass	Canon John Marmion (RIP)
Sun 3 rd	The First Sunday of Advent <i>Day of Special Prayer for All Migrants and Refugees</i>	9:00am (St Cuthbert's)	Mass	Holy Souls – Nov. List
		11:00am	Mass	Parishioners' Intentions
Mon 4 th	Ferial	No Public Mass		
Tues 5 th	Ferial	6:15pm	Mass	Kathleen Connell (RIP)
Wed 6 th	Ferial	9:30am	Mass	Fr Nick Wilde (RIP)
Thur 7 th	St Ambrose, B, D	9:30am	Mass	Peter Burton (RIP)
Fri 8 th	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9:30am	Mass	Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate & Religious Life
Sat 9 th	Evening Mass of the Sunday	6:00pm <i>Children's Liturgy</i>	Mass	Deacon Ralph & Doreen Watkins (RIP)
Sun 10 th	Second Sunday of Advent <i>Bible Sunday</i>	9:00am (St Cuthbert's)	Mass	Parishioners' Intentions
		11:00am	Mass	The People of War-Torn Countries

PRISONERS' SUNDAY COLLECTION: This weekend, 2nd/3rd December, is our second collection for PACT (Prison Advice & Care Trust). Prisoners' Sunday was marked on 8th October but our collection was delayed due to another collection the same day. A few envelopes are available in the porch for those who may wish to Gift Aid their donation. Many thanks for your generosity throughout the year to all our collections.



PASTORAL LETTER: This weekend we have an Advent Pastoral Letter from Bishop Mark which will be read at all our Masses. Copies are available in our porches and online on our website at: <https://www.stlukesparish.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Advent-Pastoral-Letter-2023.pdf>.

A DAY OF RECOLLECTION AT ST LUKE'S: Saturday, 9th December. You are invited to "stop" for a while in the busy, busy build up to Christmas. Let's spend some time with the Lord and with each other (10:30am-3:30pm). The Recollection will be led by Fr Paul Hopper from the Spiritans in Chester. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Please bring your own light lunch; teas and coffee will be provided. Please complete the sign-up sheet available in our porches. All are encouraged to attend as this wonderful way to start the Christmas season.



NEWS FROM ST LUKE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: On Thursday morning, the children of St Luke's said thank you to all who were involved in creating their spectacular Reading Castle. The Friends of St Luke's are an amazing group who work really hard to enhance our pupil experience.

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

Cora Sharkey

Kathleen Garvie

Jim Corrigan

Kathleen Edwards

Helen Grimes

Timothy James Cleary

Eric & Margaret Young

Jane Gibson

Kath Grossmith

Judith Whim

Ian Hobson

Nora Fyldes

Amy Selman

John Mannion

Bernard Timberlake

Claire Taylor

Janet Sykes

Harry Gorse

Tom Wood

Fabrizio Motta

Tonnie Woods

Clare Huxley

Peter Duffy

For all people having cancer treatment & others currently in hospital



 **REST IN PEACE:** Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Mr Michael Edward Hunt**, who died at Chapel Fields Care Home on **Thursday, 23rd November**, aged 84 years. Michael's Funeral Service will take place at St Luke's on **Thursday, 14th December at 10:00am**. Please keep Michael, and all his family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time. May he rest in peace.

OUR LADY'S POSADA: Our Posada, from the Spanish meaning "hospitality", allows us to recreate the journey that Joseph and Mary made on their way to Bethlehem, where Jesus was born. A statue of Our Lady travels round families who "host" her for one night each day until Christmas Eve when she arrives at Church for the Festival of the Nativity. It is a moment of tranquillity in the business of the season and families can light a candle near the statue and ask for her blessing during the run-up to Christmas. Mary will begin her journey this Sunday, **3rd December**, the First Sunday of Advent, when she will be blessed at the 11am Mass. If you would like to share in her Posada, please contact Aelison Wilson on 01928 731235 or cwilson157@sky.com.



 **CAROL SERVICE:** A rehearsal for St Luke's Carol Service will take place in St Luke's Church on **Monday, 11th December at 7:00pm**. Any singers or instrumentalists who may wish to take part are invited to join us for this rehearsal. Alongside the Carols, the service will also include some short readings; if you would like to volunteer to read please contact Veronica on 07754 884484.

WALK WITH ME BOOKS: The *Walk With Me* journey of prayer for Advent and Christmastide books are now available to buy from the back of Church, at a cost of £1. The books provide a short reflection for each day as we move towards Christmas, helping us to keep our focus on the coming of Christ.



 **FOODBANK COLLECTION:** Our main monthly Foodbank collections at our churches is this weekend, **2nd/3rd December**, to allow for the donation of some Christmas goodies (tins of biscuits, mini Christmas puds, tins of ham ...) as well as the usual staples. Thank you for your continuing support of those in need, especially at this time of year.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE: The planned Diocesan pilgrimage to the Holy Land has unfortunately been cancelled due to the tragedy of violence and war there. If you had planned to take part, the pilgrimage company will be in touch directly to advise you about recovering your deposit. Please continue to pray for peace in the Holy Land.

 **VOCATIONS:** Bishop Mark asks us all to keep in our prayers those who are coming forward for the Priesthood in the service of the Diocese. We are blessed with candidates who will be seeking to make application to the Diocese next year together with an active Diocesan Vocations Group. There are currently 6 seminarians at St Mary's College and they greatly appreciate your prayers.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: A recent count of the loose plate offerings came to **£803.15**. Thank you for your constant generosity to all our collections. Thank you also for your donations to last week's second collection for Caritas at Christmas. We raised **£325.25**, and 100% of your donations will go to those in the most vulnerable situations within the Diocese, ensuring they receive crisis food vouchers and practical support as quickly as possible when it is most needed. You can still donate online at: www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk. If you are making an offering to the Church by cheque, please make it payable to "St Luke's Frodsham". Thank you.



 **MANY THANKS** to all those who came to the "Taking Liturgy Seriously" course over the past few months. It was an enjoyable and interesting course. Our thanks to Teresa & Sylvester for organising this for us and for providing refreshments.

CAFOD ADVENT PRAYER CARDS: We have received some beautiful Advent Prayer cards from CAFOD which are still available in our porches. Please take one for yourselves and for any family or friends who would be glad to receive one.



Upcoming Events

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| Saturday, 9 th December 2023 | • Advent Day of Recollection, St Luke's Parish Centre, 10am-4pm |
| Friday, 15 th December 2023 | • Carol Service at St Luke's, 6:30pm |
| Sunday, 17 th December 2023 | • Carol Service at St Cuthbert's, 6:30pm |

"Mary's greatness consists in the fact that she wants to magnify God, not herself."
(Pope Benedict XVI)