

St James the Great in St. Anselm's Local Missionary Area

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day of Special Prayer for Education

12th September 2021

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MASS INTENTION FOR THIS SUNDAY is for the repose of the soul of James Vincent Cosgrove and the solace of his family.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please remember the sick and housebound in your daily prayers.

MESSAGE FROM FR. PAUL: When I was taken ill (Cancer not Covid) I did **NOT** authorise the request for parishioners not to contact me. My condition is stable and not expected to change for the foreseeable future; when I "hit" 75 I retired from active ministry, and am still living in the parish house (0161 368 3618) and will be happy to hear from you. Also, many thanks to Fr Philip for so kindly taking over St. James' parish.

MONEY MATTERS: Offertory collection for last weekend £78.00, thank you for your generosity,.

PARISH NOTICES

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First Reading *Isaiah 50: 5-9*

Second Reading *James 2: 14-18*

Gospel *Mark 8: 27-35*

Next Weekend's Scripture; Twenty Fifth in Ordinary Time - National Day of Prayer for Home Missions

First Reading *Wisdom 2:12 17-20*

Second Reading *James 3: 16-4:3;*

Gospel *Mark 9: 30-37*

****Important**** - Even though the government has lifted all restrictions the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have stated that the following be continued as a duty of care for our Priest, Deacon, stewards and parishioners; Please continue to wear face masks inside, sanitise on entry and exit, members of one household can sit together, social distance when moving around the church and ring Pat/Peter on 0161 303 1735 for your place at Mass (our parish Track and Trace system). You can also scan the NHS QR Code which is available inside the porch. Thank you for your continued support.

Home Mission Sunday - next weekend 19th September there will be a retiring collection for Home Missions Sunday. Please be as generous as you can, thank you.

CCRS (Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies) - begins this month with in-person classes on Thursday morning at St. Columba's Chester. There is also an online learning option, with an in-person seminar in Wythenshawe or Birkenhead. This is an excellent course for anyone who would like to learn more about our faith or lead in a school or parish. Please register in advance - information is available from ccrs@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

CAFOD responding to multiple emergencies across the world - CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>. Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. Thank you.