Gospel Reflection

Sometimes you just don't want to hear the honest truth – or if you do – you don't want to believe it. Luke is so straightforward, like it or not, a plain-speaker. And, surely, after reading this Gospel you would wonder why anyone would have wanted to be a follower.

After knowing that history shows that these experiences have happened; continue to happen; you would wonder why, in these days, there would be any point in being a Christian. If the early followers thought they were living in the End Days – then where must we be?

It is passages like these that suggest that very little has changed. Man's inhumanity to man continues, with only the evolving of weaponry and excuses to enter into conflict after conflict. The peace seekers are still the persecuted ones. Trying to follow the Christian message is likely to put you in the minority. And, even Jesus suggests, there is very little you can do about that. Except – know that you are loved.

Job vacancy A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Secretary/Parish Hall Administrator at the parish of Holy Angels', Hale Barns. For further details, please see the Diocesan Website (closing date 14th November) http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th March **2023**. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon to arrange to see him after an 10am Mass on Sunday morning.

Following this there are Meetings on the first Friday of each month at 7:30pm that you will need to attend, where you will meet Mrs Gerri Doherty and Deacon Tony Ford.

NEWSLETTER

St Joseph's RC Church Woodford Lane Winsford CW7 2JS

Parish Priest- Fr Simon O'Connor Tel: 01606 543877

Website; www.stjosephs-winsford.org.uk email: stjosephwinsford2012@hotmail.co.uk

General Queries - contact Rebecca Vickers

Tel: 07939 294442

email: rebeccafinnegan@hotmail.co.uk Diocese of Shrewsbury Registered Charity No 234025



"United in conviction and united in love, with a common purpose and a common mind"

Philippians 2:2

13th NOVEMBER 2022 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE C) MASS & SERVICE TIMES

MASS & SERVICE TIMES		
Saturday 12th November	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 13th November Remembrance Sunday	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)
Monday 14th November		
Tuesday 15th November		
Wednesday 16th November		
Thursday 17th November		
Friday 18th November		
Saturday 19th November	5:15pm	Mass
Sunday 20th November	10:00am	Mass (Livestreamed)
There are no weekday Masses this week		

There are no weekday Masses this week

If Fr Simon is unobtainable and you urgently need a Priest please phone the parish mobile: **07548 222133** Please use this number for emergencies only i.e. where a priest is needed urgently.

200 CLUB DRAW

Winner: £40 Prize This week – Mrs Anne Johnson

WHY NOT JOIN THE 200 CLUB AND HELP THE PARISH?

Coffee afternoon

St Joseph's school are having a coffee afternoon on 23rd
November between 2pm to 3pm in the school hall.

Pensioners Christmas Meal Sunday 11th December 2022

A reminder to sign up for the Pensioners Christmas Meal. Contact Phil on 07720 807162 or put your name down on the list in the porch. There is also a list in the porch for the Sri Lankan meal.

Bingo Night The Parish Bingo Night on Friday 25th November is raising money for church funds. Doors open at 7pm. **We would be grateful for donations of Prizes for this event**. And of course your support on the evening itself - always a great evening out.

<u>Coffee morning</u> The Coffee Morning on Tuesday raised the sum of £168. Thank you to everyone who organised the coffee morning and to those who came to support it. The next Coffee Morning is on Tuesday 13th December at 10:30am, everyone is welcome.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING ENQUIRIES

If you are interested in hiring the Parish Centre for a function, please contact Phil Martin on 07720 807162

Prayer for our Parish:

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish and grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word and a new consecration to your service, that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come, through Christ our Lord.

St Joseph pray for us

Gospel Luke 21 5 – 19

Some people were talking about the beautiful stones used to build the temple and about the gifts that had been placed in it.



Jesus said, "Do you see these stones? The time is coming when not one of them will be left in place. They will all be knocked down."

Some people asked, "Teacher, when will all this happen? How can we know when these things are about to take place?"

Jesus replied:

"Don't be fooled by those who will come and claim to be me. They will say, "I am Christ!" and "Now is the time!" But don't follow them. When you hear about wars and riots, don't be afraid. These things will have to happen first, but that isn't the end.

Nations will go to war against one another, and kingdoms will attack each other. There will be great earthquakes, and in many places people will starve to death and suffer terrible diseases. All sorts of frightening things will be seen in the sky.

Before all this happens, you will be arrested and punished. You will be tried in your meeting places and put in jail. Because of me you will be placed on trial before kings and governors. But this will be your chance to tell about your faith.

Don't worry about what you will say to defend yourselves. I will give you the wisdom to know what to say. None of your enemies will be able to oppose you or to say that you are wrong. You will be betrayed by your own parents, brothers, family, and friends. Some of you will even be killed. Because of me, you will be hated by everyone.

But don't worry!

You will be saved by being faithful to me.

"Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words"

St Francis of Assisi