

Pentecost Sunday – Year ‘A’

24th May 2026

Mass times and intentions:

Saturday 23rd	11.00 am	Gabrielle Child.
	6.30 pm	Parish First Holy Communion. For the Intentions of Margaret & Mike Gilleen.
Sunday 24th	8.30 am	
	10.30 am	
Monday 25th	9.15 am	
Tuesday 26th	9.15 am	Anne Marie Morgan Birthday.
Wednesday 27th	7.00 pm	Adoration.
	7.30 pm	
Thursday 28th	9.15 am	
Friday 29th	9.15 am	
Saturday 30th	11.00 am	
	6.30 pm	Bridget McGuinness Anniversary.
Sunday 31st	8.30 am	
	10.30 am	

Feast Days:

Monday 25th Mary, Mother of the Church.
 Tuesday 26th Our Lady Help of Christians.
 Wednesday 27th St Augustine of Canterbury.
 Thursday 21st Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest.

Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish, and our relatives: Anne & Philip Holland, Sheila Smith, Dorothy Harte, Margaret Scarlett, Margaret Shallcross.

Lately Dead: Your prayers are asked for those who died recently and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. Eternal rest give unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Offertory Collections Last Sunday

Plate	£281.92	Gift Aided	£ 85.00
Standing Orders	£580.00	Gift Aid Standing Orders	£510.00
	£861.92		£595.00

Prospective Tax Refund £148.75

Parish Account Details: Lloyds Bank, 30-15-52, 54576160

We Welcome: Louisiane Dawn Langton who will be Baptised this Saturday.

Live Streaming: Access the system via internet access Churchservices.tv/Congleton

This Week and Later

Sunday Morning Drinks in Parish Centre: Drinks available after 10.30am Mass today.

Children's Liturgy (term time only): **NO** Children's Liturgy this Sunday in the Parish Centre.

Parish First Holy Communion: This Saturday 23rd May 2026 the children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the 11am mass. Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

Church Cleaning: Will take place on the last Thursday 28th May 2026 after the 9.15 am Mass. Volunteers welcome.

Prayer Group: The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 2nd June 2026** in Davenport Lounge 7 pm – 8:30 pm. All welcome, please come along. Bring a Bible, a Rosary and Encounter prayer book, if you have one.

"Have you an hour to spare to come and listen to children read at Saint Mary's school. This would ideally be weekly in term time. It would greatly benefit the children. A safeguarding check would be required (DBS) which the school would arrange prior to you starting. If interested, please ring the school on 01260 274690."

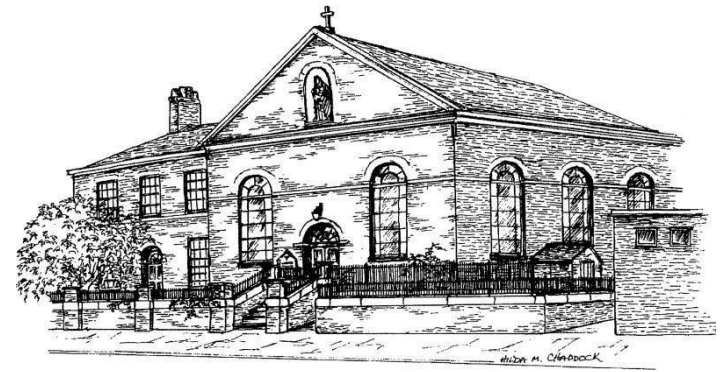
St Mary's Youth Club: In September, we are setting up a Youth Club on a Friday (early) evening once per month. We need fun things for young people (of all ages) to do. If you feel you can donate items e.g. board games, football table, colouring, paper/pens, and even a TV suitable for Play Station, etc. please get in touch with Karen Sutton 07714447417. If you would like to help support, we would need to meet Safeguarding requirements, but please do get in touch with Karen. Thank you for your generosity.

Sick and Housebound: If you know of anyone who is unwell or currently in hospital and would appreciate a visit from Fr Francis, please feel free to contact 01260 273314 or email stmarysrc.congletton@gmail.com

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). It is the Catholic Church formal process for welcoming and forming new adult members into the Church, preparing them for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. The next meeting is TBC.

Safeguarding Officer: We are seeking a Safeguarding Officer to join our team here at St Mary's. This important role supports the safety and wellbeing of everyone who uses our church and activities. Full role details and the job description are displayed on the church noticeboard. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Safeguarding office email safeguarding@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

The Storehouse Project: The growing economy has made us all aware of the massive increase in the cost of living, which is affecting everyone, particularly the poor. The Food Bank that we support at New Life has an increasing demand for its services. So, we must appeal to you for your support, however you can, in providing food and life necessities for those in need. THANK YOU.



Reflection

"Learning from the Seagulls"

It's a chilly day by the seaside,
Far too windy for my comfort.
But the gulls don't seem to mind the wind.
In fact, they seem to enjoy it.
I watch them flying about;
they go with it, they go against it,
they soar into the sky, they plunge back to earth.
All the time they are using the wind,
they are availing of its power.
And I reflect on how we, the disciples of Jesus,
Are so easily blown off course by the winds of adversity.
Lord, send us the Holy Spirit who will enable us
to turn the hard and easy to our advantage,
so that everything that happens to us
may bear us along the road to your Kingdom.

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Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.15am
Wednesday 7.30pm plus Adoration from 7pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday 11.00am & 6.30pm
Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Saturday of the Month 10am - 11am
Wednesday: 7pm before Mass at 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 11.30am - 12 noon & after 6.30pm Mass

For Parish Centre Bookings: Email stmaryspc1826@gmail.com

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