

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH, MARPLE

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Pope Francis's prayer intention for June:

The month of June is dedicated to The Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sunday Vigil 6 pm 9 am	11 th June Intentions: Ivonne Duffy (dec'd) MORNING MASS Intentions: Parishioners.	Thursday 10 am	15 th June DAILY MASS Intentions: Mary Abbott.
Monday	12 th June NO MASS	Friday	16 th June NO MASS
Tuesday	13 th June NO MASS	Saturday 6 pm	17 th June VIGIL MASS Private Intentions.
Wednesday 10 am	14 th June DAILY MASS Intentions: Anne Crossley.	Sunday 9 am	18 th June MORNING MASS Intentions: Parishioners.

Baptism/Marriage	By appointment
Sacrament of Reconciliation	As above

THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Please pray for Christopher Brown, Christopher Clifford, Ruth Grace Crosby, Ann Crossley, Bill Davies, Jonathan Davison, Isaac Iqba, Kathleen Jones, Stuart Madden, Cyril Nield, Nina Noworyta, Joan O'Brien, Pat Owen, Steven Platts, Emily Small, Kathryn Smith, James Tanner, Neil Timperley, Jarek Tomaszewski, Kathleen Williams.

A warm welcome to everyone. If you are new to the parish, please fill in a card and give it to Fr Bill. We shall be glad to visit you and make you as welcome as possible

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Fr Bill Writes:

What wonderful weather for the Schools half term break ? And some schools enjoyed a two week break. Pupils should now be ready for the Summer term, that will take us up to the end of July, and the end of the current academic year 2022 / 23. There are also a number of pupils sitting examinations, and we ask you to pray for their success at this time. It is stressful for all involved in sitting examinations, as well as their families.

Last weekend we appealed for support for those taking part in the Sponsored Stockport & Tameside Walk, in aid of the 68th Summer Camp for Children from the deprived areas of Tameside & Stockport. Thank you to those who made a donation, there is still time to make a donation this weekend, as the Walkers set out this Sunday to complete their Sponsored Walk.

We remind Parishioners and Friends of the parish that on Mondays at 2:00pm to 3:30pm there is an opportunity to share in prayer, here at Holy Spirit in the Church, so do please consider availing of this opportunity.

The date for Mary Abbott's Requiem Mass has now been fixed for Wednesday, June 28th at 11:30am here at Holy Spirit, Marple, followed by burial at Hyde Cemetery. Mary spent fifty years plus involved in so many areas of the life of Holy Spirit Parish. May She now rest in peace.

A Number of minor repairs as part of our ongoing parish programme of maintenance to the Upper and lower Church Roofs will be carried out over the next few weeks, this will ensure that the sizeable repairs carried out to the roofs in 2018 remains effective in keeping the Church watertight as we approach another winter.

Drawings for the new entrance for the Church have been updated after the architects visit earlier this month, and they are being submitted for Planning Permission from Stockport Council. Once the Planning Permission is obtained, we will then need to go to tender, the usual diocesan procedure is to obtain three tenders, the diocese in each area has compiled a number of companies they have previously used, so we can be confident whoever we use will be a reputable company, with a good track record.

We have now recommenced our Sunday Morning children's reading rota, Fr.Bill will be speaking with all members who have previously read, and will give them dates for the coming Sundays up to the end of July. There will be a break in August for the holidays.

We have now restored two Chalices for the weekend Masses, the demand for reception of the Precious Blood was such.

There are vacancies for more altar servers, if any of our First Communion children would like to try their hand at serving, then speak to Chris, there is no obligation if they find it is not what they want to do.

Marple Carnival Sat June 17th. Churches Together have booked our usual pitch. If you could help with the children's activities sometime during the day please contact Marian Thompson 07709096393 to find out more.

SCRIPTURE READINGS — THE BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 2023

Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

John 6:51-58

Today's first reading is from the Book of Deuteronomy Moses reminds the chosen people how God took them from their slavery in Egypt and looked after them as they spent 40 years wandered in the desert. The sacred writer quotes Moses words to the people, God tested you to see if you could be trusted to observe His Commands he fed you in the desert, showing his absolute care for you.

Today's second reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, introduces us to an understanding of the unity that the Eucharist brings us to. Sharing in the Eucharist is a sign of our unity, regardless of our colour or creed. Through our common sharing at the table of the Eucharist, we are all united in a special relationship with God.

Today's Gospel is from St. John, the content of which is based on a dialogue between Jesus and a crowd of Jews, this dialogue follows the miracle of the Loaves & Fishes. Jesus endeavours to answer the questions posed by the crowd, about what Jesus has done by way of the miracle. Clearly without the gift of Faith understanding the gift of the Eucharist is simply impossible. Various Popes across many centuries have written several Encyclical Letters on the Gift that is the Holy Eucharist, as we celebrate it now and how it has been celebrated since Jesus celebrated it with his apostles at the Last Supper.