

Reflection *Come on in, join the family!*

A family can be a story of a group of complete and total misfits who come to hate each other...and then love each other. That end up inspiring change in one another. In a sense, no matter how dysfunctional they seem to be at times, they become something like family.

The Bible begins in Genesis, not with talk of nations and tribes...but families. Big families. Real families. With moments of disfunction so great it makes your head spin—and gives one pause at the phrase “biblical family values.” And, sure, there are other great metaphors to describe the relationship between God and humankind. King and subjects. Master and slaves. But, it always comes back around to family.

Most of the time we're God's children. God's daughters and sons who bring great joy as well as great consternation. And so, coming to God and God's Kingdom is really like...going home. To family.

In Mark chapter three Jesus' family is either frustrated with him, or just plain worried about him. They hear that Jesus is drawing crowds again, and they go to restrain him—because people are talking. Some people think he's loony. And his family is either embarrassed, or worried of what might become of him. It doesn't always end well for such people.

But, Jesus doesn't seem to mind all that much. After all, he knows how badly it's all going to turn out. So what does he do? He opens up the tent and allows everyone who wants to enter the chance to enter. Who is his family? Those who do the will of God. When you do the will of God you get the chance to be his brother, his sister... even his mother! Jesus' family is an open family. The door to the family homestead is wide-open.

And while the rest of us may bring dysfunction in the door with us—and at times we can look like a group of misfits...the things we gain are amazing. And the greatest of those things is love.

Come on in. Join the family.



TENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B) **CHRIST CHURCH CATHOLIC CHURCH,** **HEALD GREEN**

Saturday 9th June 2018 (Vigil Mass) 5.30pm
Sunday 10th June 2018 Mass 9am & 11am
(Children's Liturgy at 11am)

				<i>Intentions</i>
Sat	9th June	Tenth Sunday Ordinary Time	Vigil Mass 5.30pm Mass 9am	Parishioners Peter Redshaw RIP Raymond Dunn RIP
Sun	10th June		Sung Mass 11am	
Mon	11th June	St Barnabus	Celebration of the Word and Communion 10am	
Tue	12th June	Ferial	Mass 10am	Steven Proudfoot RIP
Wed	13th June	St Anthony of Padua	Mass 10am	Elizabeth Mullaney RIP
Thu	14th June	Ferial	Mass 10am	Anne Cain RIP
Fri	15th June	Ferial	Mass 10am	Special Private Int.
Sat	16th June		Vigil Mass 5.30pm	Joey Fitzgerald RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

Fr. Paul will be in the confessional on Saturdays:
11.30 till 12noon and 5-5.20pm. OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT.

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Next Week : 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
16th June Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm
17th June Sunday Mass at 9am & 11am

PARISH MEETING TUESDAY 12TH JUNE 7PM

In the meeting room (quiet room) open to all to discuss parish matters.

LADIES CLUB—14th June 2pm-4pm (in Hall)

Talk—THE HISTORY OF PATCHWORK by Trisha Jones

NORTHERN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

22-24th June at Liverpool Hope University. Speakers Fr Pat Deegan, Fr Eamonn Mulcahy, Gary Stephens & Michelle Moran.

Contact Kevin McKenna 07504130749. See poster in porch

SHARE THE JOURNEY.....

is a new global campaign for the rights of people on the move, launched by Pope Francis and supported by CAFOD.

More people than ever before are fleeing war, persecution, natural disaster and poverty.

To show solidarity, groups from round the world will be walking and recording the total distance walked on Pope Francis' website. He is aiming to reach a total of 24,900 miles (the distance around the whole world)

We plan to have a local walk on **Saturday 16th June**, after the 10am mass. All are welcome.

3 days retreat by Jim Browne, international speaker from Ireland, in Wythenshawe Catholic Church / St Hilda's Church Northenden in the last week of June titled "SURRENDER & ACCEPT JESUS - An invitation to the Banquet" The retreat dates are Friday 29 June 7pm- 9pm, Saturday 30 June 9am-6pm, Sunday 1 July 1.30 to 8pm. The retreat ends with Holy Mass, musical concert & evening meal. Bring a packed lunch on Saturday. Registration fee £10. For enquiries / registration contact Jesus' Meals tel/ text 07510865174 Email docuk17@outlook.com WhatsApp 07835043222 for enquiries / registration (can pay on the day).

CARMELITE MONASTERY

A mass to celebrate 100 YEARS OF THE CARMELITE MONASTERY IN BIRKENHEAD will take place on 16th July at 7pm—see poster in the porch

LADIES' CLUB SUMMER OUTING

On 12th July we are visiting Wentworth Woodhouse , a National Trust property in Yorkshire for a tour, then on to a local Garden Centre for you to purchase a snack etc. before the drive home.

Cost: Ladies' Club members £18. Non-members £23. If you are a National Trust Member and bring your card on the day you will receive a £5 refund. What a bargain!!!

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION 2018 (GDPR)

These came into force on 25th May. At Christ Church we some times collect data about parish members; such as names, address, phone numbers, emails, registers of Baptisms, Deaths, Weddings, parish draw, Gift Aid donors. The data is stored on an electronic data base/ paper and we endeavour to adhere to the GDPR in our collecting, processing and storing data. The information is retained only as necessary and used by the parish or Diocese and not shared without your permission. The full privacy notice can be read on www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice

Diocesan Holy Hour:

In preparation for the **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress** in September, Bishop Mark invites you to join him in St Anthony's Church, Wythenshawe on Sunday 24 June at 3pm for a time of prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Although this event is open to all, to facilitate arrangements please let Helen Jones know if you are coming by Wednesday 20 June ,0151 652 9855 or helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

VACANCIES

St James' Catholic High School requires a full time temporary teacher of RE from September (post is for academic year 2018/2019). We also require a Finance Officer, Scale 3, permanent and part time 32.5 hours per week to start in September. Full details for both posts on our website <http://www.stjamescatholichighschool.org.uk> or

contact Michelle McCumesky 0161 482 6900

DIOCESAN SUPPORT WORKER

A vacancy has arisen for a Support Worker to assist the Diocesan Welfare Officer. The successful applicant will support the Welfare Officer assisting in visiting and participating in the care of sick and retired priests in their own home, or community setting. Also in an administrative role, booking appointments and dealing with the day to day administrative tasks which support a safe, confidential person-centred service for retired and sick Priests in the Diocese of Shrewsbury. The work will be facilitated, supervised and supported by the Welfare Officer. For further information please visit our website <http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies> or send CV to Pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Closing date Friday 8 June 2018.

CATHOLIC TEACHERS A number of Catholic teachers across the diocese are not currently working, or have never worked, in a Catholic school. The Diocese is keen to recruit them into the Catholic schools, and to facilitate the process for those teachers who are considering coming into the Catholic sector there will be an informal session on **Saturday 30th June** at St. Hugh's Parish Hall, Timperley from 10 am to 12 noon. Details are on the notice board. If you would like to attend or would like more information, please email Sue Jenkinson at sue.jenkinson@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

A.P.F. RED BOXES—will be collected in September; if yours is full you can either empty it and save the money till collected or bring your box in to the church office.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND



May the Communion we share today with the members of our parish family who are at home or in hospital, remind us to live for one another and give them a sense of belonging to our family and to this celebration.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Andrea Lomas will be available on Tuesday evenings 7.30-8.30pm for anyone wishing to discuss arrangements

DIVINE MERCY GROUP

This group meet each Monday at 2pm in the Meeting Room but **NOT on Bank Holidays**.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH is prayed prior to 10 am weekday Mass or Service of the Word & Communion.

ROSARY Monday to Friday at 9.30am.

St Catherine's Church Heald Green.

Rev. Dr Jacob Devadason has been appointed as the new vicar at St Catherine's Church. He was ordained in Manchester in 2007 and is currently in London. See poster in porch.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

FLAME 2019

This takes place at the SSE Arena, Wembley, on 2nd March 2019, and is likely to attract 10,000 young people from around the country. It is the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the country. If anyone in years 10-13 is interested please let us know so that, if there is sufficient interest, we can plan a visit. Email: youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org