



# PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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## LITURGICAL CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Mass Readings: Sunday Year C, Weekdays Year 1

Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm 9.30am 10.30am	<b>Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday</b> <b>THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	Deceased members of the Family of Joan Thomson (RIP) Parish Family Wendy Heneghan (RIP)
Monday	10.00am	Ferial	Sick and housebound
Tuesday	10.00am	Ferial	World Peace
Wednesday	10.00am	<b>St Francis Xavier</b> Day of prayer for all Migrants & Refugees	Holy Souls
Thursday	10.00am	Ferial	Special Intention (health)
Friday	10.00am	Ferial	Chacko Thekkumattathil (RIP)
Saturday	6.30pm	<b>Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday</b>	Victor Thomson (RIP)
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	Kay Casbolt (health) Parish Family

Readers	Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
	Roland Young	Angela Jojo	Helena Bellis

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday to Friday at 9.30am; Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9am.  
**Rosary:** Saturdays 6pm and Weekdays after 10am Mass.  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays 5.45pm; Sundays 8.45am and Weekdays after Mass on request  
**Baptism:** Please contact parish priest and collect the Baptism application form after Mass.  
**Marriage:** 6 months' notice to be given.

**Fr Francis:** Life tends to become more hectic as Christmas approaches and as our focus turns to preparing for our celebration with our dear ones. The holy season of Advent it is a good time to pause, to spend a few moments in the presence of the Lord Jesus, allowing him to open our hearts to reconciliation, forgiveness and love, to listen to what he might have to say to us. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed 30 minutes before 6.30pm Mass on Saturdays and 9.30 am Mass on Sundays. May the gift of advent – Hope Joy, Love and Peace – be the ingredients of our celebration at this Christmas. May we continue to grow as a parish family, making us stronger in our faith, hope and love.

**Christmas Mass Times:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – Children's Christmas Mass 4pm and Christmas Vigil Mass 8pm. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dawn Mass 9.30am and Christmas Family Mass 11am. Carols from 3.45pm and 7.30pm on Christmas Eve.

**Advent Pastoral Letter:** There is a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Mark which will be read at all Masses. Hard copies are available in the porch.

**Advent Service:** Whitchurch Churches Together are holding a joint Advent Service at St John's Methodist Church on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Everyone is welcome. Light refreshment will be served following the service. Posters are on notice board.

**Sick and housebound:** Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick including: Patricia Reynolds, Margaret Allman, Margaret Waugh, Patricia Cummins, Kay Casbolt, Susan Rich. Please inform parish priest or email parish office to add or remove from this sick list for prayers.

**Parish Christmas Meal at ETZIO:** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm. Thank you to all those who have returned payment/menu choice.

**Church Heating:** Due to safety reasons we had to disconnect the gas connection to the church boiler. Please wrap yourself as it is cold inside the church. Thank you.

**Young People's Choir:** For children and young people from Key Stage 2 upwards. We will be rehearsing music for Advent and Christmas in church between the two Sunday morning Masses. As St Augustine reputedly said, "Those who sing pray twice." The Psalms also encourage us to "Sing to the Lord a new song". There is a great deal of talent in our parish and now is a good time to use it to the glory of God! (Helen Clarke)

**Welcoming Ministry:** How we welcome each other, visitors and new parishioners to our church is one of the elements of creating a vibrant, inclusive and an amazing parish community. We are looking forward to developing our welcoming ministry in our parish, especially for our celebrations on Sundays and important occasions. It is also important in view of regulatory requirement that falls on the health and safety, the risk assessment for services at our church for the safety of all. If you are interested in joining in this ministry or sharing your ideas and experiences which are key to building a vibrant and inclusive parish, **there is a sign-up sheet in the porch**. If you can just add your name to a Mass that you are coming to and will be able to welcome. Thank you.

**Book of Remembrance:** This is a beautiful way of honouring the memory of those who have gone before us. Please write the names of your loved ones in the form available in the porch if you wish to remember any loved ones in this way to prepare the Book of Remembrance.

**Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality:** 8<sup>th</sup> December, midday Mass at St Mary's, Crewe to celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Refreshment will be available after Mass. Everyone is welcome.

**Coming Soon to Beacon:** An event for families, friends & Colleagues. Saltmine presents Jack & the Beanstalk. To buy tickets please contact Joanna White 07772 168237 or email [gedandjoanna@gmail.com](mailto:gedandjoanna@gmail.com) For more information see the poster on the notice board.

**Caritas Christmas Appeal:** There will be a collection here in the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup> /7<sup>th</sup> December in support of the Caritas at Christmas Appeal. Thank you for your generosity. Every penny you give goes directly to help those most in need within our Diocese, providing crisis food vouchers, practical support, and the reassurance of care and compassion when it matters most. You can also donate online at [www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk](http://www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk). If you know someone in need of assistance, please contact Trish Spencer, Deputy CEO of Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury.

**Offertory Collections:** Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November will be available next weekend. Thank you for your generous support.

**Foodbank:** Please continue to support the foodbank. Items are collected from the church every week.

**Newsletter:** if you have anything for inclusion in the newsletter, please email it by evening on Wednesday.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

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