

This Week and Later

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

13th September 2026

Mass times and intentions:

Saturday 12th	11.00 am 6.30 pm	For the intentions of Jose Burke.
Sunday 13th	8.30 am 10.30 am	St Mary's Parishioners.
Monday 14th	9.15 am	Thanksgiving for Joel, Joanna & Jessica.
Tuesday 15th	9.15 am	Peter Dolan.
Wednesday 16th	9.15 am 7.00 pm 7.30 pm	Mass in School. Parishioners welcome. Adoration. St Mary's Prayer Group and their intentions.
Thursday 17th	9.15 am	
Friday 18th	9.15 am	
Saturday 19th	11.00 am 6.30 pm	For the intentions of Bridget Leathwood
Sunday 20th	8.30 am 10.30 am	Diana & Alan Golden Wedding Anniversary

Feast Days:

Monday 14 th	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday 15 th	Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday 16 th	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

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

Latently Dead: Your prayers are asked for Alice White 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	£304.37	Gift Aided	£ 50.00
Standing Orders	£580.00	Gift Aid Standing Orders	£510.00
	£884.37		£560.00
Prospective Tax Refund £140.00			
Parish Account Details: Lloyds Bank, 30-15-52, 54576160			

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

Children's Liturgy (term time only): No Children's Liturgy this Sunday.

Bicentenary Booklets: Now available for purchase after all Masses. Each booklet is **£5, payable in cash only**. A payment box will be provided for you to place your contribution securely. Thank you for your continued support.

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.

Parish Council Meeting: Monday 14th September 7.30pm in the Lounge, Parish Centre. Everyone is warmly invited to come along and take part

Family Mass (Sunday 20th September 10:30 am): We will be celebrating our Family Mass, where the children will be serving, reading, bringing the Offertory and singing.

Meet, Greet & Eat Sunday 20th September, 2pm–4pm St Mary's Parish Centre: Join us for a relaxed afternoon filled with friendly faces, chat, and tasty refreshments. Bring someone along or simply come and meet new people. It's a simple way for our parish community to spend time together and share light refreshments and friendship. If you're planning to come, please let us know by emailing felicityawhitelock@gmail.com or calling **07971 165984**, for an idea of catering numbers.

Next Youth200: Friday 2nd October 6.30-8pm for games & fun. Any questions call Karen 07714447417.

Next Prayer Group: Tuesday 6th October, Davenport Lounge 7 pm – 8:30 pm. All are welcome. Bring a Bible, a Rosary and Encounter prayer book, if you have one.

Youth200 Fundraising Raffle: Tickets available for £1. to be drawn on Sunday 25th October during Coffee Morning. Prize: 2 adult tickets for Congleton Park Bonfire (7th Nov). Thanks to those who supported the first Youth200; great fun! Thank you to the volunteers too.

RCIA Meeting (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): Every Tuesday at 6pm in Church.

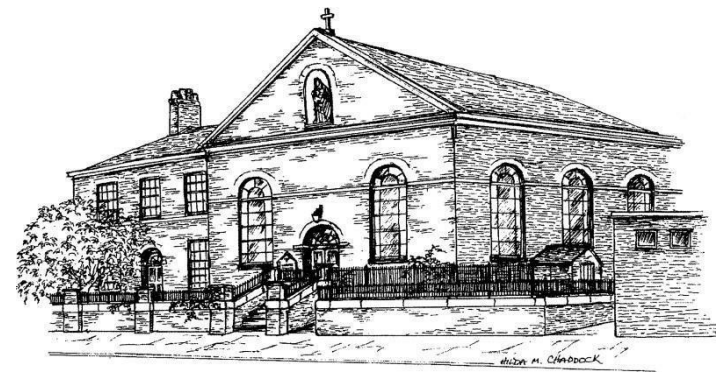
Sick and Housebound: If you know of anyone who is unwell or currently in hospital and would appreciate a visit from Fr Francis, please feel free to contact 01260 273314 or email stmarysrc.congleton@gmail.com

Would you like to volunteer as a Catechist/Children's Liturgy helper? Do you feel you would like to help support young children on their faith journey? Our Children's Liturgy group are seeking helpers to join, **just once a month**, guiding the children in fun activities and Liturgy/discussions at Sunday Mass 10:30am St Mary's Parish Centre. If you would like to join our informal group, please give your details to the school office or email the parish on: stmarysrc.congleton@gmail.com

Reflection

Forgiveness

When we forgive, we free ourselves of the burden of bitterness, and we free the other person of the burden of guilt.
But our forgiveness must come from the heart,
which means it must be true, sincere and warm.
A cold forgiveness is not much use.
Forgiveness should start now.
Putting it off only deepens the wound,
prolongs the bitterness and postpones happiness.
Life is short, time is fleeting.
Today is the day to forgive.
Lord, deliver us from the poison of bitterness,
and give us the grace to forgive from the heart
Those who have offended us.
Then we will know the warmth of your forgiveness.



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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

St Mary's Parish Centre Bookings

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