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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 24th July 2016

Saturday	23rd July.	6.30pm	Catherine Morrison
Sunday	24th July	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) the Parishioners Priest's Int
Monday	25th July	9.00am	Jean O'Rourke St James
Tuesday	26th July	9.00am	Ints of Mary Morris Ss Joachim & Anne
Wednesday	27th July	7.30pm	Celebration of the Word & Communion
Thursday	28th July	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion
Friday	29th July	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion St Martha
Saturday	30thJuly	6.30pm	Anne & John Baker
Sunday	31st July	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int. The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: None this week Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Marlene Perry, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, John Bomford, Terry O'Rourke, Peggy O'Dea, Tony Darlington, Nathan Carter, Carol Bagshaw, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, Ellen Bagshaw, John Davies, Lawrence Bratt, Tim Bradbury, Tony Nicholson, Frances Milliken, Roy Yearsley, Noah Carrick, Carol Morrison, Patricia Lewis, Lilian Kavanagh, Peter Hannon, Don Loran, Lena Cotton, Fiona Martin, Peter Cox, Peter Bradshaw, Harry Hickland, Derek Ryder, Margaret Schofield, Timothy Shaw, Nancy & Stan Rosiak, John Stoneley, Sadie Everard

ALL who have died recently

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick Molloy, Christine Jennings, Jean O'Rourke, Catherine O'Sullivan, John Donohue, Joseph Hynes, Henry Aloysius Murphy, Diane Willemse, Mildred Wells, Jean Tunney, David Clarke, Mick Woodward, James McGorty, John Jordan, Leila Quinn, Joseph Harrup, Edward McSpadden, Annie Gilligan, Provost John Burgon, Rev Gerard Charles Corcoran

Wanted: The Diocese is looking to recruit a Governance Support Officer to work in the Education Department at the Curial Office. A job description and application form can be obtained from the Diocesan website or by emailing

Pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

The closing date for application is 3 August 2016.

Red Mission Boxes

The total from emptying the Red boxes was £219.45. Thank you everyone.

FOOD Bank:We need sponge puddings, packet soup, instant mashed potato, gravy granules, tooth brushes, blue long life milk. Thank you for your generosity



The Church is changing, not in its essential teachings but in its desire to move with the times. You will have heard recently that the Bishop of Salford is closing 40 churches because of decline in attendance and numbers of priests. We face the same challenges in Shrewsbury Diocese but we are a much more rural area and need different solutions to these and other problems. Bishop Mark and his advisors have come up with a way of dealing with our present and future challenges. It is called "Our Mission Together" and was mentioned by the bishop in his Pastoral Letter. The seven parishes which have so far taken part in the Pilot Scheme report on it in the new edition of the Catholic Voice which is available at the back of both churches. Please read it. It is intended that all parishes should eventually be part of the Initiative, and we shall be giving you lots of information in the next few months to help you to understand and take ownership of the scheme.

Lampedusa Cross Pilgrimage Reflection Sicilian carpenter Francesco Tuccio made rough crosses from the wreckage of a boat

carrying refugees that sank near his home on the island of Lampedusa. He offered these crosses to survivors as a symbol of their res-

cue and a sign of hope.

A Lampedusa cross is making its way through the parishes of Shrewsbury Diocese en route to Shrewsbury Cathedral. St Mary's will display the cross as a focus of reflection for a week from Friday August 19th. On Monday August 22nd at 7.30pm we are holding a pilgrimage reflection in our parish centre. It will last about an hour including an act of commitment (sending a message of hope for refugees) and tea and coffee will be served afterwards.

For further details please contact Anne Sturman email:randa2@tiscali.co.uk or tel. 01477 537761

We welcome into our Parish family Oliver Michael Paul Tench who will be Baptised this Sunday

AUCTION: Result of SEALED BIDS

Highest Bids for the Golf, £30, Cricket bat £100, and baby sitting £50. The winning bidders have been contacted. This brings the total raised from the auction to £750. Many thanks to Debbie & Martyn for organising it, and to all the bidders.

This year around 720 pilgrims will travel to Lourdes for our Annual Pilgrimage under the leadership of Canon Michael Gannon VG. Our theme this year is 'Jesus Christ, the face of the Father's Mercy'. We would like to invite you all to join us in praying for the intentions of the Pilgrimage (which are given below). You might also like to join in our celebration of Mass at the Grotto with the Archdiocese of Westminster on Friday, 29 July at 8.45am BST and at the International Mass on Sunday, 31 July at 8.30am BST via the live feed on the Lourdes Website: www.directfromlourdes.com.

Prayer Intentions: 2016 Lourdes Pilgrimage For the young people gathered at World

Youth Day in Krakow that these days of prayer, catechesis and celebration may be a time of grace and renewal in faith especially for the young pilgrims from our own Diocese of Shrewsbury.

For this Jubilee Year of Mercy that it may be a time of special grace for people of our Diocese especially in the more frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and for all of Pope Francis' intentions in this Holy Year.

For Christians and other minorities in the Middle East facing persecution and genocide and for all refugees fleeing hatred and violence.

For new and generous vocations to the

Priesthood in the Shrewsbury Diocese and for the new initiative at Shrewsbury Cathedral 'The Shrewsbury Year' offering a gap year for young men considering the call to the Priesthood.

For the initiative 'Our Mission Together' starting in parishes around the Diocese and for the fruitfulness of the missionary and pastoral goals this fundraising will support at parish and diocesan level.

THIS WEEK

6.30pm Monday Friday 9.45am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mothers' Prayers

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