

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary



Date	Celebration	Time	Church	Mass Intention
Saturday 2nd	St. Athanasius	12.00 noon 6.00 pm	Cathedral Saint Winefride	Daniel McCall (RIP Anniversary) Mariani Family (Private Intention)
<b>Sunday 3rd</b> <i>The Marian Lamp burns for Marco &amp; Helena</i>  <i>The St Joseph Lamp burns for The Sidoli Family</i>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>	8.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 5.00 pm 5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Cathedral Saint Winefride Cathedral Cathedral Saint Winefride Cathedral	Jolanta Molodecki (Private Intention) Deceased members of the Ferdinand family (RIP) The Mariani family (Private Intention) Solemn Holy Hour and Sung Vespers Polish Mass People of the Parish
<b>Monday 4th</b>	<b>Feast Day: The English Martyrs</b>	12.00 noon	Cathedral	For the intentions of parish volunteers
Tuesday 5th	Ferial	9.30 am 12.00 noon	Saint Winefride Cathedral	Mike Tivenan (RIP) Maurice Waterworth (RIP Anniversary)
Wednesday 6th	Ferial	12.00 noon	Cathedral	No Holy Hour <b>Requiem Mass: Deacon Ben Tomnay</b>
Thursday 7th	Ferial	12.00 noon	Cathedral	Charlotte Rebecca Bowes (Private Intention))
Friday 8th	Ferial	12.00 noon	Cathedral	Mary Nguyen (RIP Anniversary)
Saturday 9th	Ferial	12.00 noon 1.30 pm 6.00 pm	Cathedral Saint Winefride Saint Winefride	Priest Intentions Syro Malabar Mass Joseph Hoang (Private Intention)
<b>Sunday 10th</b> <i>The Marian Lamp burns for Maria Augusta</i>  <i>The St Joseph Lamp burns for The Sidoli Family</i>	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	8.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Cathedral Saint Winefride Cathedral Cathedral Cathedral	Martha Nguyen (Private Intention) Dilys Martin (RIP) People of the Parish – Marian Procession Solemn Holy Hour and Sung Vespers Michaela Probert (Private Intention)

In this month of May, let us commend ourselves, our families, our parish and the Church to the maternal intercession of Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians, whose feast day we celebrate on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.*

**May Procession:** 10th May after the 11 am Mass (Cathedral) there will be a procession in honour of Our Lady. For those who would like to, please bring with you flowering outdoor plants, so we can decorate Our Lady's shrine in a fitting way during this month of May. *O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.*



Cathedral Team: Bishop: The Right Reverend Mark Davies, Bishop of Shrewsbury Cathedral Dean: Reverend Father Sean Henry BA (Hons) BTh (Hons) RN  
Assistant Priest: Reverend Father Febin Thomas CMI Assistant Priest: Reverend Father Adam Bamber  
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Development Officer: Richard Keddie [events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk](mailto:events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk)

**Holy Communion:** Polite Reminder, please remember that Holy Communion must be received in front of the Priest or Deacon.

**300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Saint Gerard Majella's Birth (1726-2026):** We are delighted to announce that the relic of St Gerard will be visiting the Cathedral on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May with Fr. Royston Price CSsR. St Gerard is the Patron Saint of children, unborn children, women in childbirth, mothers, expectant mothers, motherhood, the falsely accused, good confessions, lay brothers. More information to follow.

**Votive Mass in Honour of Saint Joseph:** will be celebrated on the first Wednesday of every month (unless there is solemnity or other memorial which must be celebrated) in thanksgiving for his patronage in the Cathedral parish mission.

**Catholic Mother's Prayer Group:** A new monthly group for mothers to meet and pray together and discuss the beauty and sacredness of our calling in Christ. The second meeting is Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm in the parish room. Please contact: Hermione Thomas on 07539 255857, for more information. Nursing babies welcome.

**Diocesan Mass for Marriage 2026:** Will be celebrated by Bishop Mark on the 13<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon at St Columba's Chester, for those recently married or those celebrating a significant anniversary. If you would like to attend, please contact the parish office by 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

**Parish Summer Fete: Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026:** We are looking for stallholders to help at the fete, being held in the grounds of St Winefride's. We are also looking for face painters, musicians, performers, good quality bric-a-brac; full and unopened bottles for the bottle stall (e.g. squash/drink/perfume and shampoo). If you would like to help in any way, please contact Richard in the office [events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk](mailto:events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk)

**Shrewsbury Cathedral Catholic Primary School and Nursery:** Last week, we were delighted to inform our new Reception parents of their school places for September 2026. We are pleased to share that there are still several places available in our reception class. If you, or you know of, anyone who is looking for a Reception place for September 2026, please contact either the school directly or Shropshire Council for further information. (Telephone: 01743 351032 or contact the school via email: [admin.cathedral@blessedec.co.uk](mailto:admin.cathedral@blessedec.co.uk)).

**Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality:** are holding a day of reflection on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at Shrewsbury Cathedral Chapter House. The day will include reflections from Father Sean Henry and Dr Kieran Moriarty. There will also be Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. All Hospitality members and their guests are welcome to attend. Please confirm your attendance to: [secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk](mailto:secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk)

**Short Course on Encountering Jesus in the Gospels:** Please see the poster at the back of the church.

**CAFOD: Stand with Sudan. Give monthly.**

On the third anniversary of the war in Sudan, Kayode Akintola, CAFOD's Head of Region for Africa, asks for your help: *"So many of our sisters and brothers in Sudan are facing increasing violence, hunger, and disease. That is why today, I'm asking you to consider setting up a monthly gift to support families who are fleeing the violence – with food, safe water and other vital support. We will not abandon you; we will stand with you until peace is restored."* Donate at [www.cafod.org.uk/StandWithSudan](http://www.cafod.org.uk/StandWithSudan)

**CAFOD 20-Week Club Winner:** The winner of £10 for Week 11 is Number 80, E. Donnelly. Well done!

**Meditation Group:** Wednesdays at 2.00 pm in the Parish Room. Contact details: [bentickbelinda@hotmail.com](mailto:bentickbelinda@hotmail.com)

**Newman Pilgrimage to Rome: October 2026:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2026. To express interest please email [events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk](mailto:events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk) by Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

**First Holy Communion:** The next preparation group is on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 10.00 am – 12 noon in the Parish Room. Please keep the children in your prayers. The Mass will be on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am

**Confirmation 2026:** The next group is on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm, in the Parish Room. Please keep the children in your prayers.

**Baptism:** The next baptism preparation group will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May in the Parish Room. Please confirm your attendance by contacting the Parish Office.

**Please pray for:** Michael Martin, Deacon Ben Tomnay, Susan Brookes and for all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace in the arms of the Good Shepherd.

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26/4/26: £1647.28*

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