



## MEMORIAL OF SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE

In the Scriptures, Matthew and Luke furnish a legal family history of Jesus, tracing ancestry to show that Jesus is the culmination of great promises. We know nothing however, of his mother's family, except that they existed. Even the names "Joachim" and "Anne" come from a legendary source. Their heroism and holiness however, is inferred from the whole family atmosphere around Mary in the Scriptures. We see in her a fulfilment of many generations of prayerful persons, herself steeped in the religious traditions of her people. The strong character of Mary in making decisions, her continuous practice of prayer, her devotion to the laws of her faith, her steadiness at moments of crisis, and her devotion to her relatives, all indicate a close-knit, loving family that looked forward to the next generation even while retaining the best of the past. Joachim and Anne represent that entire quiet series of generations but remain obscure. This is the "feast of grandparents." It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come: they must make the traditions live and offer them as a

promise to children. But the feast also has a message for the younger generation: it reminds them that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** Northern Star Travel Ltd is arranging a pilgrimage to Lourdes to coincide with the feast of the Immaculate Conception: departing 4<sup>th</sup> December and returning on 9<sup>th</sup> December. If interested there are some leaflets at the back of church.

**CASH OFFERINGS** If you give a cash offering at Sunday Mass, and are able and willing to gift aid your donation, no matter how small, please could you contact the office to arrange this. ☎ 463248 or email: [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com) Your offering is worth an extra 25% to the parish, at no extra cost to you. Many thanks.

**HOMES FOR UKRAINE** Would you be willing to host a family, fleeing the war in Ukraine? The need for host families is as high as ever. For more information take a leaflet from the back of church, see [www.sjog-homesforukraine.uk](http://www.sjog-homesforukraine.uk), or e: [homesforukraine.org.uk](mailto:homesforukraine.org.uk).

**HELP REQUIRED AROUND THE CHURCH** Do you have some DIY skills - wood work, plumbing, electrical, painting that you would be willing to use to help out with occasional work that requires attention on the church buildings? If you can help, please ring Tony 07749837952 or contact the parish office and leave your name. Many thanks.

**INFORMATION ABOUT OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH** Information about the history of this prominent building, the statues and war memorials contained within, and the stained glass windows can be found on coloured cards on the rack inside the main church door. Please return after use.

*Please take this newsletter home with you*

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## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

### Celebration of Holy Mass

23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	<b>16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10:30 am	William Whittaker
24 <sup>th</sup> Monday	St Sharbel Makhulf, Priest	7:00 pm	Ints Delia Nolan
25 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE	7:00 pm	Glenys Bennett
26 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	Ss Joachim and Anne	7:00 pm	Nicola and Jim Lyon
27 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Feria	11:30 am	John R Simpson CBE
28 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Feria	9:30 am	Ints John & Ann Molyneux (Diamond Wedding)
29 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Wedding	12:00 pm	Edward Inkster and Lucy Wroblewski
30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10:30 am	Glenys Bennett

**CONFESSIONS** All welcome to celebrate this important sacrament before Monday and Tuesday evening Mass.

**FLAME OF LOVE ROSARY** This will be prayed after Mass on Monday, in Church.

**ROSARY** The Rosary will be prayed from 6:35pm on Tuesday in Church, before Mass.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Sheila Jennings, Sandra Marston, Richard D'Alton, Susan Jones, Matthew Bennett, Delia Nolan, Steve Kane, Ted Clarke and Barbara Deane

**LATELY DEAD** Margaret Jones

**ANNIVERSARIES** Nancy Taylor, Brendan Murphy, Pauline Polding

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY** Loose £130.70, Envelopes £99.00, Standing Orders £457.00. Thank you.