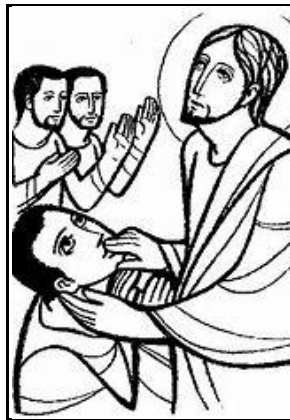


## 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B: 8th September 2024

### Mass Times

Sunday 8th September	11.00 am	23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Jan Juchaniewicz +
Tuesday 10th September	9.30 am	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Helen Ciupiak +
Sunday 15th September	11.00 am	24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Mary Jane, Sally and Elnora Szewczyk (Private Intention)



#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession.

*If Father Nnam Di Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call:*

Holy Family : 01793 297 256  
 Saint Mary's: 01793 535 089  
 Holy Rood: 01793 522 062  
 Saint Peter's: 01793 871 167

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## St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.

We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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<b>Readings</b>	: <b>Sunday Mass Cycle B: Weekday Mass Year 2. Psalter 3</b>
<b>Eucharistic Prayer</b>	: <b>(or at Priest's Choice)</b>
<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	: You are just, O Lord, and Your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with Your merciful love.
<b>First Reading</b>	: Isaiah 35: 4-7
<b>Psalm Response</b>	: My soul, give praise to the Lord.
<b>Second Reading</b>	: James 2: 1-5
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	: Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!
<b>Gospel</b>	: Mark 7: 31-37
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for You, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

#### **THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

*The blind shall see, the deaf hear, the dumb sing for joy.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

*God chose the poor according to the world to be rich in faith.*

**Gospel**

*'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak'.*

We are already in the last quarter of the year. It is that time of the year, when the summer daylight gradually becomes dim. For some of us we are back to school, business and work routine, after summer holidays. It comes with excitement for some. And for others, it comes with a bit of anxiety and uncertainty.

Isaiah, the prophet of Hope, comes at the right time. We will hear more from him, every now and again, till the year ends. 'Courage ! Do not be afraid.'

Even in the darkness of our minds and hearts, the Lord will shine his light for the blind to see his glory. In the gospel, Jesus cures the deaf and dumb that we may hear and proclaim his Word, to the Praise and Glory of God the Father.

**SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE:** Thank you for your continued support of the Swindon Food Collective. They still have an urgent need for tinned fruit and tinned vegetables. If you can help, please place any items in the Swindon Food Collective box in the Church porch.

**DIOCESE VACANCY:** The Clifton Diocese Schools & Colleges department are looking to recruit a part time, term-time only, Secondary RE Adviser to support the RE Lead. The successful candidate will need to offer RE advice, training and consultancy to schools, single academy trusts, and our three multi academy trusts. The role will be 14 hours per week, based at Alexander House, Bristol, but will require extensive travel around the Diocese, as well as some evening work. For further information and application form, please visit <https://cliftondiocese.com/diocese/working-for-us/>. If you would like to discuss the role further, please contact Mary Cox, Director of Schools & Colleges, or Paula Asquith, HR, on 0117 902 5599. **Closing date: 27th September 2024** **Interviews in Bristol: 11th October 2024**

**PARKING:** At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public car park in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid being a nuisance to our neighbours. Please **do not park** in the Mobility Store car park in Devizes Road on Sunday mornings, **unless you have contacted the owners for permission first** and **do not obstruct any of their vans**, which need access 7 days a week.

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY:** There will be a second collection **this Sunday, 8th September**, for the **Catholic Education Service**.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY:** There will be a second collection **next Sunday, 15th September**, for the **Bishops' Conference (Home Missions)**.

**BISHOP'S VISIT:** We welcome Bishop Bosco Macdonald to our parish **this Sunday, 8th September** when he will be celebrating the 11.00 am Mass.

**SWINDON BRASS CONCERT:** Swindon Brass and the choral group 'Bing Sing Thing' will be holding a joint concert in St. Joseph's Church on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September** at **7.30 pm**. Tickets are £10 for Adults and £5 for Concessions and are available now on Eventbrite at: [www.eventbrite.com/e/brass-and-voice-in-concert-tickets-974392503207](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/brass-and-voice-in-concert-tickets-974392503207)

**CURIA CONFERENCE:** Following the successful event held back in September 2019, we will be hosting a Diocesan Curial Conference this autumn to provide an opportunity for parish colleagues and volunteers to meet with members of the Curial departments and attend a variety of presentations and workshops. The event will be held on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October** at St. Bernadette's Secondary School, Bristol from **10.00am to 2.30pm** and further details will be available at the beginning of September.

**VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST GERARD MAJELLA:** From **8th-10th October**, Holy Rood Church in Swindon will be hosting a Triduum in honour of St Gerard Majella. There will be Mass each evening at 6pm and plenty of opportunity to pray in front of the relic, receive a Blessing, and go to Confession. All are welcome.

**YOUNG CATHOLICS YORK PILGRIMAGE:** During the weekend of the **26th-27th October 2024**, Young Catholic Adults and the Traditional English Association of Catholic History will be organising a pilgrimage to Catholic York, including a visit to St. Margaret Clitherow's Shrine, the Bar Convent and St. Mary's Bishophill – the oldest Church in York. This event is aimed at Young Catholic Adults and Catholics interested in history. For details of how to book onto this free weekend and for more info see:- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>.

**LOST PROPERTY:** Two items of jewellery have been found in the Church and car park. If you believe either might be yours, please contact Victoria Sadler for more details.

**TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS:** Tea & Coffee will be served in the Parish Hall after Sunday Mass and also after the 9.30 am Mass on Tuesdays.

**Anniversaries:** We pray for the dead, especially those who have died recently - and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** **Our Lady of the Rosary**, Lawrence Weston, **St. Bernard**, Shirehampton.

**Pope's Message:** Throughout September, Pope Francis asks us to pray that we may listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth, and to the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis; may each of us make a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.