



The Roman Catholic Parish of Saint Joachim & Saint Anne *Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

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This Sunday - 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

-Saturday 8th February: Mass 6.00 pm

Mass intention: in Thanksgiving

-Sunday 9th February: Mass 8.30 am

Mass intention: Molly & Jim Clinton RIP

Tony Sowden RIP

-Sunday 9th February: Mass 10.00 am

Mass intention: George Ronan RIP

-Tuesday 11th February: Mass 10.00 am

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Mass intention: Dale Pereira RIP

-Wednesday 12th February: Mass 10.00 am

Mass intention: Canon Donovan RIP

-Thursday 13th February: Mass 10.00 am

Mass intention: Eileen Healy RIP

-Friday 14th February: Mass 10.00 am

Feast of Ss Cyril and Methodius

Mass intention: Paul Cobb int.

Ciaran Ryan health int.

Next Sunday - 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

-Saturday 15th February: Mass 6.00 pm

Mass intention: Alice Davies and Glen Mary Rule RIP

-Sunday 16th February: Mass 8.30 am

Mass intention: Mickey Devery RIP

-Sunday 16th February: Mass 10.00 am

Mass intention: Private int. & Ioan Warren's int.

Confession: in the Side Chapel before Mass

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact priest to arrange.

Morrison Hospital priest tel. no. 07792 003 905.

Singleton Hospital priest tel. no. 07459 335 606.

Order of Mass Text: Hymn Books, Page 4.

Parish Income (via the Box and Standing Order)

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THANK YOU

Holy Communion: If you are unsteady on your feet, please consider taking a seat at the front of the church, and Father can bring you Holy Communion at your seat.

House bound: If you or someone you know is house bound due to illness or infirmity, please let Father know.

Safeguarding: Louise is our Parish Safeguarding Rep. Please find the Safeguarding Policy on the noticeboard.

Collection: This is via the Box at the back of church, or by Standing Order. Details are on Noticeboard, or the Parish Website: www.gowercatholic.com **THANK YOU.**

Visit of Archbishop Mark

His Grace very much enjoyed visiting St Joachim and St Anne last Sunday, and meeting people. He left with a warm impression of our Parish, and I thank you for making him feel welcome and at home. It was interesting to hear him speak of the symbolic and spiritual role of a Bishop, and his meeting with Pope Francis. *Also to say that I will be remaining as parish priest of St Joachim & St Anne.* I have sent His Grace a card thanking him for his visit to us as our Archbishop.

Andrew Morrish RIP

Kindly remember in your prayers Andrew Morrish, husband of Pat, who passed away on Friday. May he now rest in peace.

2025 Archdiocesan Directories

There are a few copies available in the Sacristy at £4.50.

Mass Sheets

New ones have now arrived, in a different and better format, beginning from next Sunday.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

There is currently one young person who will making their First Holy Communion in the Summer. If any others wish to join, please contact Fr John asap. For Confirmation, we will look now to next year of 2026.

Short prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes, feast-day Tues

Most Holy Mother, Lady of Lourdes, you offered your Divine Son to the Eternal Father when you presented him in the temple; offer us now to the Father as your other children; watch over us and guide us. Blessed Mother, obtain for me the grace I most need, and especially these favours that I ask in this prayer if they be in keeping with God's will. Amen.

St Cyril and St Methodius, feast-day Friday

These brothers were born in Thessaloniki, and went to modern-day Czechia to preach the faith. They translated Christian texts into the Slavonic languages. Following Cyril's death, Methodius went to Hungary. Cyril died on 14 February 869. Methodius died on 6 April 885.

O Saints Cyril and Methodius, apostles of the Slavs, you dedicated your lives to bringing the light of the Gospel to new peoples, creating a way for them to understand the word of God in their own language; we humbly ask your intercession, that through your prayers, we may strive for unity and understanding among all nations of Europe, and that we may always be faithful to the teachings of Christ. Amen.