

Our Lady Help of Christians and St. Oswald Catholic Church
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (25/1/2026)

Sat 24 Jan	6.30pm	Margaret McKenna, St. Francis De Sales, B, D
Sun 25 Jan	10.00am	Parishioners
Mon 26 Jan		No Mass
Tue 27 Jan	9.30am	Victims of Abortion, St. Angela Merici
Wed 28 Jan	9.15am	Rosary, Novena, Constance & Albert Smith, St. Thomas Aquinas P, D
Thu 29 Jan	9.15 am	Ketrick Family
Fri 30 Jan	11.00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	12.00pm	Daphne Massen

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (01/02/2026)

Sat 31 Jan	6.30pm	Lucy Isidore
Sun 01 Feb	10.00am	Parishioners

Weekly collection: Loose: £334.47, Envelopes: £139.89 Total: £474.36. Thank you for your generosity.

Two vacancies have arisen within the Diocese of Shrewsbury.

Sales Ledger Clerk. 20 hours per week, term time only contract. Hourly rate £14.60.
Pilgrimage Booking & Customer Service Coordinator. 20 hours per week, term time only contract with the possibility of some remote working. Hourly rate £14.60.
CV and covering letter should be sent to
PaulineMcCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing date: Friday 20 February 2026. Further details can be found on the Diocesan website [Latest Vacancies - Diocese](#)

Lately Dead

Let us pray for the happy repose of the soul of Robert Francis Davies who died on the 29th of December 2025. His funeral Mass will be held in the church on Friday 6th February 2026 at 1.00pm followed by cremation at Pentrebychan Crematorium.

Retired Priests' Fund

The annual collection for the Retired Priests' Fund will be held last week raised £216.83. Thank you very much for your generous contribution.

Church Cleaning

All are welcome to clean our church on 30th January at 9.30am.

Oswestry & Borders Food Bank

Oswestry & Borders Food Bank needs items to continue its work of helping local people who find it difficult to provide food for their families especially during this summer season. The following are welcome: biscuits, sugar, coffee, tea bags, cereals, drinking chocolate, juice, tomato sauce, mayonnaise, brown sauce, tinned meat, porridge, sanitary items etc. Please donate as generously as you can.

Sick and Housebound

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are sick and housebound: Susan McCartney, Margaret Bacon, Hilda Morgan, Liz Forest, Aileen Antony, Marian Tolley, John Edwards, Caroline Edwards, Linda Strohacker, Eileen Iles and diocesan sick clergy and religious sisters.

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Year A

The Introductory Rites

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. R: **Amen.**

P: Lord, have mercy. R: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Christ, have mercy. R: **Christ, have mercy.**

P: Lord, have mercy. R: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 9: 1b-4

Responsorial Psalm: **The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus proclaimed the gospel of the kingdom and healed every affliction among the people.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23

The Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*all bow up to and including the words “and became man”*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

R: **And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

R: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R: **It is right and just.**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: The mystery of faith.

R: **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.**

The Communion Rite

P: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

R: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

P: Behold the Lamb of God,

R: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**