

FETE 26

We are fast approaching our biggest fund event of the year and urgently need your generous support to help us make this year a great success! Raffle Prizes, Books, Household items, Jewellery, Prizes for the Tombola, Toys and other items we can include in the fete.

Transport can be arranged if you need items collected from your home

PARISH FINANCE Last Sunday Collection £310.10. Thank you for your generosity.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Please contact Rose if you would like your child or grandchild to take part in children's liturgy classes and / or children's masses in the future. Contact: 07377712740

2nd POUND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

We will have a Pound Sunday Collection on 16th August. Please donate items of food for the FETE 26 Grocery Stall e.g. bags of sugar, flour, honey, tin soups, tin vegetables etc.. or a £1 Coin. Thank you for your continued support.

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Henryka Stachowska, Chris Wrighton, Willie Carr, Joy Jones, Cathy Duffell, Annette Fallon, Ann, John Boden, Norah Hunter, Cath Donovan. We commend them to the prayers of St. Mary & St Joseph.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES Exciting new vacancies have arisen within the Diocese of Shrewsbury. Current opportunities **Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team (SYMT):** Programme Coordinator and Team Member — both full-time roles based in Stockport. **Curial office:** Accounts Assistant — full-time role based in Birkenhead. How to apply Please send CVs to Pauline McCulloch at recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. **Closing date:** Friday 18 September. Further details for all vacancies can be found on the Diocesan website: <https://dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers>

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16th AUGUST 2026

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Sun	16	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am 11.00am	Parishioners Parishioners	Shifnal Albrighton
Mon	17	Ferial			
Tue	18	Ferial	9.30am		Albrighton
Wed	19	Ferial	9.30am		Shifnal
Thu	20	St Bernard, Ab, D			
Fri	21	St Pius X, Pp	9.30am		Shifnal
Sat	22	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary			
Sun	23	21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.00am	Jason Jones RIP Parishioners	Shifnal Albrighton

Confession before Mass

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Lk 1:48-49

All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We are still looking for readers to join rota! Please, volunteer – it's good to have a range of voices! Thank you.

ST. MARY'S FEAST ON 6TH SEPTEMBER SUNDAY
MASS TIMINGS
ALBRIGHTON 9.30AM SHIFNAL 11.00AM



BISHOP'S VISIT TO SHIFNAL & ALBRIGHTON

The Parish Family is honoured to welcome Most Reverend Bishop Mark Davies for an official pastoral visit on 11th October. The Bishop will be the main celebrant on the day. Please join us in prayer for our parish and for the Bishop as we prepare for this joyful occasion.

FIRST READING Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God. And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come.' **The Word of the Lord.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 45(44):10. 11. 12. 16. R 10b

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

The daughters of kings are those whom you favour.
On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

Listen, O daughter; pay heed and give ear:
forget your own people and your father's house.

So will the king desire your beauty.
He is your lord, pay homage to him.

They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then



comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.' **The Word of the Lord.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary has been taken up into heaven;
the host of angels rejoice.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 1:39-56

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.' And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring for ever.' And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home. **The Gospel of the Lord.**