

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 23rd July, 2017 Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

FEAST DAYS

Monday 24th July St. Sharbel Makhluf

Sharbel died in 1898. The son of a Lebanese mule driver he was a pious child who eventually ran away to become a Baladite monk, for the last 23 years of his life he lived as a hermit. He was renowned for his holiness and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Tuesday 25th July St James, Apostle

He is called the "Greater" because his vocation to serve Christ preceded that of the other apostle of the same name. He was the son of Zebedee, and was called by Jesus together with his brother John. James was one of the three apostles, along with Peter and John, who witnessed the Transfiguration and the agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. He was condemned to death by Herod Agrippa and beheaded in the year 44, the first martyr among the apostles.

Wednesday 26th July SS Joachim and Anne.

Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

It was in the home of Joachim and Anne where the Virgin Mary received her training to be the Mother of God. Thus devotion to Anne and Joachim is an extension of affection Christians have always professed towards our Blessed Mother.

Thursday 27th July Blessed Robert Sutton

Blessed Robert Sutton was born at Burton upon Trent in 1547. As a clergyman of the Established Church he was Rector of Lutterworth. He was converted to Catholicism through the influence of his younger brother and they were ordained as priests with a third brother. He was arrested in Stafford in 1588 and executed there.

Saturday 29th July St. Martha

Our Lord liked the home of St Martha, her brother Lazarus, and her sister Mary. As our Lord's friends in Bethany, they took loving care of Him.

Sunday 30th July Seventeenth Sunday of the Year

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 22nd	5:30pm	Mass - Holy Souls	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 23rd	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Fr Gabriel Polo RIP	
Monday 24th	9:30am	Mass - Bishop Leo McCartie intentions	
Tuesday 25th	9:30am	Mass - Fr Bernard Anwyl intentions	
Wednesday 26th	9:30am	Mass - Mr Cafferky intentions	
Thursday 27th	8:00am	Mass - Hales Family	
Friday 28th	9:30am 2:30pm	Mass - Hales Family Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) For the Welfare of the Oratory	
Saturday 29th	10:00am 5:30pm	Mass (EF) - Private intention Mass - Les Whitton RIP	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 30th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Fr Joseph Tynan intentions	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* After all Masses on request

- ❖ **MISSION APPEAL:** Very many thanks for your generous response to last week's appeal for the work of the Holy Ghost (Spiritan) Fathers. It was rather more than last year's Mission Appeal!
- ❖ **PLEASE PRAY** for one of the prisoners at Drake Hall, who is to be baptised and confirmed this week. May she persevere in the important choices she has made.
- ❖ **AS ANNOUNCED LAST WEEKEND,** the Children's Liturgy Group has now broken up for the summer holidays. It will start up again when the schools return in September.
- ❖ **LOOKING FORWARD:** Tuesday August 15th is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady, a Holyday of Obligation, and our parish's Patronal Festival. As usual, to mark the Feast, there will be drinks etc in the Presbytery after the 10am Mass on Sunday August 13th. All are warmly invited!
- ❖ **PARISH RAFFLE:** Although it seems along way off, the annual Parish Raffle will soon be on the horizon. If you would like to donate a gift as one of the raffle prizes there is a list at the back of church.

Quotation

"Saints Joachim and Anne were part of a long chain of people who had transmitted their faith and love for God, expressed in the warmth and love of family life, down to Mary, their daughter, who received the Son of God in her womb and who gave Him to the world, to us. How precious is the family as the privileged place for transmitting the Faith."

Pope Francis. (The feast of Saints Joachim and Anne is kept this Wednesday.)

Collection:	Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 271.60
	Loose	£ 110.70
		£ 382.30
Special	Holy Ghost Fathers	£ 330.85
Congregation:	95 Adults & 13 Young People	

Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul.