

Parish of St Mary, Middlewich & St Margaret Ward, Holmes Chapel

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Second Sunday of Lent 12th March 2017

Saturday	11th Mar	6.30pm	Gordon Woolridge Anniv.
Sunday	12th Mar	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int
Monday	13th Mar	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion
Tuesday	14th Mar	9.00am	Lilian Kavanagh RIP
Wednesday	15th Mar	2.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm	(H Chapel) Stations of the Cross * Stations of the Cross Veronica Duckworth RIP
Thursday	16th Mar	9.00am 9.30am	(School) Pat Taylor b'day (school) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	17th Mar	9.00am	Michael Rodgers 100th Anniv. St Patrick
Saturday	18th Mar	6.30pm	Priest's Int
Sunday	19th Mar	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Lena Cotton RIP The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm
Sacrament of Baptism by appointment

Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Marlene Perry, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, John Bomford, Terry O'Rourke, Peggy O'Dea, Tony Darlington, Nathan Carter, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, John Davies, Lawrence Bratt, Tim Bradbury, Tony Nicholson, Frances Milliken, Roy Yearsley, Noah Carrick, Patricia Lewis, Peter Hannon, Don Loran, Peter Bradshaw, Harry Hickland, Margaret Schofield, Nancy & Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard Alex Randall, Tony Morris, Jean Loran, Tracy Simpson, Mary Thompson.

ALL who have died recently, especially Gerald Duffy

ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maureen Flynn, Lilian Rota, Carlo Rota, Mary Jane Jennings, Mary Armstrong, John O'Brien, Andrew Frazer, Daniel Murphy, Bridget Egan, Thomas Bannaghan, Margaret Eveline Hartley, Tom Kerr, Canon Joseph Howe



*Stations this week at 8 Lockerbie Close, H Chapel. Ring 01477 532479 to arrange a lift or for directions

FOOD BANK: This weeks shortages are Sweet and sour, Pasta sauce ,Milk, Jelly, Angel delight, Shower gel , Noodles, Ketch-

Advance Dates: Community Mass Mon 20th March. Brunch & Irish Coffee Sun 19th March, Penitential Service Mon 3rd April,

Middlewich & District Foodbank – New Project Manager Required

The trustees of Middlewich & District Foodbank are seeking to appoint a new voluntary project manager to oversee the day to day operation of the foodbank. The post holder will work in partnership with the trustees and steering committee to ensure the operational efficiency and standards of the foodbank. The foodbank is a Trussell Trust franchise foodbank. A job description is available. For further information contact:
Debi Williams – info@middlewichdistrict.foodbank.org.uk
Fr Peter: stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com

CAFOD Lent Fast Day: please bring back your envelopes with your donations as soon as possible so that we can send off the money to help those who most need it.

OSCAR ROMERO—MODERN MARTYR
A play by RISE THEATRE
Friday 24th March 2017 at 7pm
All Saints Church, Carrington Lane,
Ashton-on-Mersey M33 5WL
See poster for details. Admission by donation

SHREWSBURY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
All are invited to join this year's pilgrimage to Lourdes which will take place between 27/28 July and 3/4 August. The theme of the Pilgrimage is "*The Almighty has done great things for me!*" Brochures and Booking Forms can be downloaded from the Pilgrimage Website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or can be obtained from the Pilgrimage Office: St Alban's, 30 Mill Lane, Wallasey CH44 5UD. We would be pleased to hear from any doctors or nurses who would like to join the Pilgrimage Team. For more information contact the Pilgrimage Director, Fr David Long, at the above address or telephone 0151 638 1520.

'New Offertory Envelopes will be available for collection at all Masses on 18/19 March. Please note - Only use the new envelopes from 8/9 April, after which the old ones should be discarded.'

What Can We Do? Some practical responses to the refugee crisis :A free conference arranged by the J&P Group at St Agnes, West Kirby, Wirral CH48 SDU on **Saturday 25 March 2017, 10 30 am to 2 pm**

“ OUR MISSION TOGETHER”

Thank you to those parishioners who have already discussed this with Fr Peter. More of you will be invited in the next few weeks and will be invited to consider making a pledge for five years, or a one-off donation. We will keep you informed of the amount pledged each week. **REMEMBER:** It has three aims:

1.Strengthening and advancing the mission of our parishes. 2.Enabling a new generation of priests in their discernment and training, supporting our faithful priests in service and providing for those moving into retirement 3.Developing our Church's mission and social outreach. In the next few weeks every parishioner will have the chance to find out more about this, to ask questions and to consider ways in which you can help. Copies of the Bishop's letter introducing the initiative are still available

The tax year 2016/17 comes to an end on 5th Apr. and the Parish will then undertake the process of claiming back the Gift Aid refunds on donations made in the tax year. If your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay income tax (or if for any other reason you do not wish to remain in the Gift Aid Scheme) please contact Ken Worthington ([01606 737070](tel:01606737070), worthingtonk@yahoo.com) by 5th Apr, otherwise it will be assumed you have paid sufficient income tax for the Parish to reclaim Gift Aid on donations made in the tax year.

Sunday 19th March: celebrate St Patrick by having Brunch & Irish Coffee after 10.30 Mass. There will be a craft stall, as the following weekend is Mothers' Day, and gifts will be available to buy, and a cake stall. Offers of cakes please to Debbie Stevens. Please put your name and number of bacon butties needed on the list at the back of church

THIS WEEK

Monday	6.30pm	Holy Hour with Exposition	St Mary's
Monday	7.45pm	Mary's Meals, new DVD	PC 2,3
Wednesday	8.15am	RCIA	PC 1
Thursday	1.00pm	Craft Group	PC 1
Thursday	7.30pm	PPT	PC 1
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	PC 4
Friday	10.00am	Parents & Tots	PC 2,3
Sunday	11.45am	Irish Brunch & stalls	PC 2,3