

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

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Third Sunday of Advent, 12th December 2021

Sat	11th Dec	6.30pm	Ints. Of O'Hare Family
Sun	12th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	Priest's Int. (H Chapel) The Parishioners
Mon	13th Dec	9.00am 6.30pm	Thanksgiving DS Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	14th Dec	9.00am	John Devaney Anniv.
Wed	15th Dec	7.30pm	Sr P Short RIP
Thurs	16th Dec	1.00pm	Requiem Mass for Moira McNulty
Fri	17th Dec	9.00am	Ray Dillon RIP
Sat	18th Dec	6.30pm	Rex Lloyd Anniv.
Sun	19th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	The Parishioners (H Chapel) Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: **Saturday 10.30am-12.00pm at St Margaret's**
 Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment

Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, Gillian Robinson, Tim Bradbury, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Paul Hughes, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Mike O'Hare & Peter Cloney



ALL who have died recently, especially Moira McNulty

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Edward Horne Snr., John Cannon, Annie Kucharczyk, Mary Kilkenny, Clarence de Soysa, Jane Conroy, William Joseph Egan, James Trelfa, John Devaney, Mary Turnbull, Robert Murray, Annie O'Brien, Elizabeth Twigg, Alice Jones, Bridget Naughton, Frank Bannaghan, Margaret Heyes, Patrick Morgan, Ellen Riley, Tommy Cannon, Maria Jakubik, Canon Andrew V Campbell, Rev Bernard Hewitt, Canon Rudolf Luczka, Rt Rev Hugh Singleton, Rev Daniel Canning

We welcome into our Parish Family Harper Rae Dickens who will be baptised this Sunday



Mass Cards are on sale again at the back of St Mary's, priced at a very reasonable 70p. Please put the money in the wall box to the right of the card stand

Items needed by the Foodbank: Tinned ham, Custard, Rice pudding, Macaroni cheese, Ravioli, Spaghetti in tomato sauce, Tinned vegetables, Tinned potatoes, Fruit juice, Tea & Coffee. Food can now be left in the box in St Mary's church porch. **Carrier Bags & Bags for Life urgently needed.**

Our Scripture Group is taking place on Tuesdays at 7.00pm. We meet for about an hour using Zoom. If you would like to join the group please contact Deacon Chris (deaconchriswells@gmail.com)

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SYNOD 2021-2023: Pope Francis has launched a 'Church-wide listening process' and is inviting all the People of God to be part of the discussions in deciding what God is calling the Church to be. Over the coming weeks we will publish dates for gatherings and would encourage everyone to get involved. In addition to the planned gatherings, there will be ways of including the housebound and other people who do not wish to attend groups.

We are currently planning our parish gatherings and a formation day for those who have volunteered to act as hosts. Do watch this space as it will be updated regularly with dates, venues and news regarding the Synod process. For more information please contact Peter de Vere. Tel 07831 893781

Caritas Shrewsbury, who support vulnerable families in our Diocese throughout the year, are having their annual Christmas appeal. You can give still online by scanning the poster at church. We have sent £112 collected so far and there will be a basket for more contributions in front of the crib as usual.

World Gifts: From solar lamps to energy saving stoves, from water for a family to providing emergency food and shelter, World Gifts are a way to support those most in need. Gifts start from £4 for a queen bee. Catalogues are available at the back of church or can be viewed online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts. Many thanks for your support

A Message from Mary's Meals

From November to January, every gift given to Mary's Meals will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1.6m. This means a gift of just £15.90 will feed, not one, but two children, a life-changing daily school meal for a whole school year! Your kindness brings joy to more than two million children around the world who we serve – including those affected by natural disasters, conflict and the ongoing Covid pandemic. For more information, please visit www.marysmeals.org.uk

On Sunday 19th December we will have Carols in Church at 4.00pm and invite the children to decorate the tree. Please invite your friends to join you and have a good sing as we look forward to the coming of the Lord.

Parish Office Hours are now: 9.30-12.30 and 2.00-5.00 on Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10.00-12.00 on Saturday. Outside of these times you can leave a message or send an email and we will contact you.

N.B. The wearing of masks in church is now a legal requirement unless you are medically exempt

We have just sent off cheques for £84.50 to World Mission Sunday & £363 to Mary's Meals. We hope to send them more money before the end of January. The Clergy Formation collection yielded £223.86 in cash.



Anette Morris would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and gifts on her 90th birthday, and for coming to share the day with her

