

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

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Second Sunday of Lent, 25h February 2018

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| Saturday | 24th Feb | 6.30pm | The Parishioners |
| Sunday | 25th Feb | 9.00am 10.30am | (H Chapel) Priest's Int. Spann Family |
| Monday | 26th Feb | 9.00am | Celebration of the Word & Communion |
| Tuesday | 27th Feb | 9.00am | Private Int. |
| Wednesday | 28th Feb | 7.00pm 7.30pm | Stations of the Cross Private Int. |
| Thursday | 1st Mar | 9.00am 9.30am | (school) Tom & John Stoneley (school) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Friday | 2nd Mar | 9.00am | Private Int. |
| Saturday | 3rd Mar | 6.30pm | Deceased Relatives Whittingham Family |
| Sunday | 4th Mar | 9.00am 10.30am | (H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int. |

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, Tony Darlington, Nathan Carter, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, John Davies, Lawrence Bratt, Tim Bradbury, Tony Nicholson, Frances Milliken, Roy Yearsley, Noah Carrick, Peter Hannon, Margaret Schofield, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Tony Morris, Jenny Ogden, Michael O'Keefe, Don Hartill, Frank Cosgrave, Ethan Spann.



ALL who have died recently, especially Fr Stephen Dwyer.

ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: William Edwards, Trudie Duddy, Winifred Reid, Bernard McManus, Catherine Higgins, Roger Clegg, Tom Stoneley, John Rush, Agnes Lester, Brenda Wakefield, Ronald Francis McLoughlin, Patrick O'Shea, Francis Costello, James Ruane, Michael Jennings, Maurice Henry Jones, Harry Beaver, Catherine Clarke, Carola Murphy, Sheila Higginson, Christine Flynn, Rev Henry E G Rope, Rev Bernard Lyons, Rev Paul Turner.

Advance Dates: 4th March Craft Stall, 11th March Mothers' Day, 18th March Irish Coffee Morning, 19th March Community Mass & Lunch 1st April Easter Sunday

Celebrate North West Weekend 2018
Macclesfield, 28—29 April
A family celebration for children, young people and adults. See poster. For further information contact 01706 640359, email northwest@celebrateconference.org, www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/northwest

We welcome into our Parish Family William O'Connor & Priscilla Gammell who will be Baptised this Sunday



Foodbank Shortages this week: Tinned Fruit, Meat paste, Rice Pudding, Cordial

St Nicholas Catholic High School is joining with the local parishes to celebrate Lent with a community **Mass at St Mary's, Middlewich, next Sunday 4th March 2018**. An invitation is offered to any young person of high school age (not necessarily at St Nicholas') to come and help prepare the Mass and then celebrate as a community with families and parishioners. Preparation time will begin at 3.00pm with Mass at 5.00pm and refreshments to follow. As this is a diocesan event, young people attending by themselves will need to have a parent consent form completed. St Nicholas students can collect these and get more details from the School Chaplain. Forms are also available in the parish. We hope that young people from across our parishes will be able to join us with their families.

All God's Creation is very good. **Women's World Day of Prayer** Friday 2nd March 2018. 1.30pm United Reform Church Middlewich, 7.00pm Goostrey Methodist Church, Goostrey. This year's service has been written by the women of Suriname in South America and reminds us that we have a responsibility to care for this wonderful world we live in. We will join an estimated 3 million people in a great wave of prayer encircling the globe as we pray for the people of Suriname. This is a service for everyone who cares about our world and those who live in it and is not simply for women

CAFOD's Family Fast Day this Lent is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters who don't have enough to eat. On Friday 23 February can you give up a meal, or eat a simple meal, in solidarity? With malnutrition still killing almost three million children a year, your fasting, prayers and donations will ensure more of God's children have enough good food to eat. And this Lent, your donation will make double the difference. For every pound you donate to CAFOD, the UK Government will also donate a pound, up to a total of £5 million, meaning twice the number of lives can be transformed. Twice the number of children can have the opportunity to grow up healthy and strong. If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider GiftAiding your donation by completing the form on the donation envelope. The extra 25p reclaimed in every pound will help feed more hungry people. Many thanks. Please bring back envelopes as soon as possible

Symposium VI – The Eucharist: Maelstrom of Love on Saturday 3 March, St Ambrose College, Hale Barns and Sunday 4 March, Shrewsbury Cathedral Parish Room All information related to the Symposium is found on the diocesan website www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/symposium, together with an on-line registration form www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/catholic-faith/the-new-evangelisation/registration which is very easy to complete

Eucharistic Congress, Liverpool: 7-9th Sept. If you wish to book for the Friday or Saturday programme, please read the info at the back of church and put your name & phone no on the list. If you book you can also go to one of the Sunday Masses.

| THIS WEEK | | | |
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| Monday | 6.00pm | PEP Children | PC 1,2,3,4 |
| Monday | 6.30pm | Exposition | St Mary's |
| Monday | 7.45pm | Scripture Group | PC 1 |
| Wednesday | 8.15pm | RCIA | PC 1 |
| Tbursday | 1.00pm | Craft Group | PC 1 |
| Thursday | 2.00pm | Stations of the Cross | 8 Lockerbie Cl |
| Friday | 9.45am | Mothers' Prayers | PC 1 |
| Friday | 10.00am | Parents & Tots | PC 2,3 |
| Sunday | 5.00pm | Young people's Mass | St Mary's |