

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

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Seventh Sunday of Easter, 13th May 2018

Saturday	12th May	6.30pm	Stephen Barton b'day
Sunday	13th May	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.
Monday	14th May	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion <i>St Matthias</i>
Tuesday	15th May	9.00am	Private Int.
Wednesday	16th May	7.30pm	No Mass or Service
Thursday	17th May	9.00am 9.30am	(School) George & Joyce Kenyon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 3.00pm
Friday	18th May	9.00am	Private Int.
Saturday	19th May	6.30pm	Priest's Int <i>St Milburga</i>
Sunday	20th May	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners All First Communion Families

Sacrament of Reconciliation : 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, Roy Yearsley, Peter Hannon, Margaret Schofield, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Tony Morris, Jenny Ogden, Don Hartill, Frank Cosgrave, Ethan Spann.

ALL who have died recently.

ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Cregg, James King, Margaret Jordan, John Spilsbury, Audrey Buddle, Mary Basford, Christopher Fear, Margaret Morris, John Hough, Emilia Anna Killinger, Ann Richards, Philip Gregory, James Moore, George Edward Fisher, Tom O'Connor, Rose Campbell, Patrick McCarthy, Mark McEnaney, Ivan Singleton, Rev Frederick Robinson, Rev John Murphy, Rev John Brady, Rev Gerald T Courell

The showing of **Knowing God Better** on Wednesday evenings is intended not just for those recently received into Church, but for anyone who would like to deepen their relationship with the Lord. Why not come and find out more? The course runs for six weeks but you can come to one evening or all of them.

Foodbank Shortages this week: Crackers, Tinned Fruit & Potatoes, Packet Potatoes, Rice Pudding, Sauces (ketchup etc) Long life Milk (blue), Toilet Rolls. Thank you for continued support.

Nomination slips for new members of the PPT are available at both churches. The team are supposed to represent the parish so it is up to you to suggest names. Members serve for four years and the team meets monthly.

We have sent a £200 donation and £66 Tea & Coffee money to Cafod, just in time for the amount to be doubled by the government

Bake Sale next Sunday after 10.30am
Mass to raise funds for Karen & Amy's pilgrimage to Lourdes. Offers of baking to Karen on 01606 738663

Please sign the list at the back of church if you intend to come to the next Community Mass & Lunch on 21st May. We need numbers by 13th May

The Parish Lawnmower, which has done sterling service since being donated two years ago, now needs an unobtainable part, so cannot be repaired. If anyone knows of a petrol mower which is surplus to requirements, or available to purchase at a reasonable price, please contact Molly or Kevin Kerr.

Power to be: A huge thank you to everyone who supported Cafod's Power to be campaign. Cafod received over 31,600 cards. The World Bank are stopping their support for oil and gas exploration and production after 2019, this is a significant change in policy.

This weekend and next a large group of our children will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time. Please pray for them and for their families, that they will meet Jesus in our community and learn to walk in his ways.

We have just sent off to Mary's Meals cheques totalling £1,407.00. This is from our Lenten fundraising, donations and profit made at the Community Lunch. Well done to everyone.....this will feed more than 100 children for a whole year!

Connect2Ethiopia: Please see the Cafod noticeboard for the latest update.

Share the Journey: If you were not able to join us for the Walk last Sunday, you can still help to show solidarity with Refugees by filling in one of the cards at the back of church to be sent to the Prime Minister.

ST NICHOLAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCY

A Foundation Governor Vacancy has arisen and we are inviting applications from any interested Parishioners who feel that they have the relevant experience. As a Foundation Governor you will form a majority on our School Governing Body and play a pivotal role in preserving the Catholic Ethos and Character of the school by representing the wishes of the Bishop of Shrewsbury and contributing towards the future success of the school. In this case, the vacancy is on the Finance, Resources and Personnel Committee which looks specifically at budgets, finance and staffing matters.

If you would like to gain a unique insight into our school and would enjoy being part of the St Nicholas Governing Team then please contact the Clerk to Governors k.johnston@st-nicholas.cheshire.sch.uk for an application form and information pack.

St Edward's Runcorn, WA7 5NZ, are planning a Catholic Alpha Course. To find out more or register for the introductory day on Saturday 26th May call 01928 577755 or email p.wright557@btinternet.com.

Our Mission Together continues to be a great success in the Diocese and in the parish. Thank you all for continuing with your pledges. As you can see, the work on the exterior of St Mary's is now complete and, once the garden is sorted, will look very smart. The work so far, including professional fees, has cost approximately £35,000. We do not yet know when the work on the interior will begin, but we will keep you informed and the work will be timed so that it does not interfere with any weddings already booked!

THIS WEEK

Monday	6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Mary's
Monday	7.45pm	Scripture Group	PC 1
Wednesday	8.15pm	Knowing God Better	PC 1
Thursday	7.30pm	PPT	PC 4
Thursday	7.30pm	Confirmation Parents & Candidates	PC 1,2,3.
Thursday	6.15pm	First Communion Practice	St Mary's
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	PC 4
Friday	10.00am	Parents & Tots	PC 2,3