

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

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S econd S unday of A dvent, 9th D ece mber 2018

Saturday	8th Dec	6.30pm	Carol & Sheila Bagshaw b'days
Sunday	9th Dec	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int The Parishioners
Monday	10th Dec	12.00pm	Annette Morris B'day
Tuesday	11th Dec	9.00am	Dan Brosnan RIP
Wednesday	12th Dec	7.30pm	Thanksgiving
Thursday	13th Dec	9.00am 9.30am	(school) Pro-Life M.Ps St Lucy (school) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	14th Dec	9.00am	John Devaney Anniv. St John of the Cross
Saturday	15th Dec	6.30pm	Rex Lloyd Anniv.
Sunday	16th Dec	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 10.30am—12.00 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, Marlene Perry, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, John Bomford, Tony Darlington, Nathan Carter, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, Lawrence Bratt, Tim Bradbury, Tony Nicholson, Roy Yearsley, Peter Hannon, Margaret Schofield, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, Don Hartill, John Evans, Ursula Finn, Shirley Gaskell, Olga Dobson, Ted Smith, Rebecca Lafferty. Joan Upton, Iwonna Francis.
- ALL who have died recently, especially Mary Oldham
- ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: Doris Bannaghan, Thomas James Bowen, Charles Regan, Alfred Francis Barry, Mary Jane Down, Margaret Trelfa, Helen Paterson, Adrian Prescott, Edward Horne snr., John Cannon, Annie Kucharczyk, Mary Kilkenny, Clarence de Soysa, Jane Conroy, William Joseph Egan, James Trelfa, John Devaney, Canon Aelred Rigby, Rev James Devlin, Canon Andrew V Campbell, Rev Bernard Hewitt

Good News for all supporters of Mary's Meals: From now until 1st March the government will double all donations. Even better news: We are about to send them a cheque for £600. It was delayed due to pressure of work, otherwise it would not have been doubled!!

The money raised last Sunday, £528.85, will be used towards the improvement of St Mary's Church grounds, following the re-pointing of the church. The border in front of church will be replanted next spring as soon as the soil is warm enough!

Food Bank Shortages: Coffee, Hot Chocolate, rice, tinned ham. Christmas Shortages: Family Biscuit Packs, large cracker packs, stuffing, selection boxes, cranberry sauce, Christmas Yule Logs

Lists to Sign:
1. Hosting House Mass on 6th Feb 2019
2. Hosting Prayer Icon for a week
3. Watching before Blessed Sacrament In school on Thursday

The Christmas Raffle Draw will take place next Sunday at 12.00 in the Parish Centre. All counterfoils and money must be returned by Wednesday 12th, or they will not be included in the draw

Thank you for your support of Fr David from the Spiritans last weekend. Your donations totalled £573.81, of which £105 was Gift Aided

The Big Sing: Thank you to those who supported this. It was a very enjoyable evening and raised £170.35 for Christian Aid.

St Joseph's Parish are running a coach trip to the Christmas Market at York on Friday 14th December, picking up at St Mary's at 8.20am. Contact Ann Hayes on 01606 552352 or 07447961425

A visit to Douai Abbey has been arranged 7th to 10th May 2019 by Fr Paul and is available to all LMA parishes. Cost: 190.00 which includes trips to Oxford and Winchester. Details from Tony

Sr Ruth will be leading an Advent evening at 7.30 pm at St Margaret's Holmes Chapel on Dec 7 and again at St Mary's at 7.30 pm on Dec 13. Her theme is looking at the true meaning of Advent so that we are able to more fully receive and celebrate God's great gift to us. This is not easy in today's world! There will be music and refreshments. Please feel free to contribute some festive fare. All are welcome.

Please be aware that the bulletin is posted on the Parish Website each week, so do not ask for your phone number to be in the bulletin if you are not willing to have it put on the internet. It will be assumed, unless you say otherwise, that you have given permission for this.

This Sunday, 9th December at 4.00pm we have a celebration of the real meaning of the forthcoming festive season with carols and readings for the whole parish to share. Please come & celebrate with us. There will be party food for the younger members of our parish family & mulled wine & mince pies for the adults. We look forward to celebrating with you.



Wheelchair in good condition available in exchange for donation to the parish. Several other mobility aids also available. Contact Molly for details.



Cafod World Gifts catalogues are available at the back of both churches.

Christmas Masses will be at our usual times: At St Mary's on Christmas Eve, 6.00pm carols & 6.30pm First Mass of Christmas, 11.45pm Carols & Midnight Mass. On Christmas Day at St Margaret's 9.00am Mass & at St Mary's 10.30am Mass

There will be a basket at the back of both churches for the next two weekends for your contributions to the cost of Christmas Flowers.



Will all volunteers who have been given Data Protection permission forms please fill them in and return them to the list co-ordinator asap. Without them we cannot legally share rotas with phone numbers on them. It may sound stupid, but it is a legal requirement. Please co-operate with us on this matter.

This Week

Sunday	10.30am	PEP Celebration Mass
Sunday	4.00pm	Carols round the Tree
Monday	6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	8.15pm	RCIA
Thursday	7.30pm	Advent Reflection
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers
Friday	9.45am	Parents & Tots

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