

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

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 3rd February 2019

Saturday	2nd Feb	6.30pm	Alan Woodbine, Anniv.
Sunday	3rd Feb	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int
Monday	4th Feb	11.30am	Funeral Mass for Irene Marlborough
Tuesday	5th Feb	9.00am	Linda Hardy, Anniv. St Agatha
Wednesday	6th Feb	7.30pm	Ints of Annette Morris St Paul Miki & Companions
Thursday	7th Feb	9.00am 9.30am	(school) Terry O'Rourke RIP (school) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	8th Feb	9.00am	Devaney Family
Saturday	9th Feb	6.30pm	Priest's Int
Sunday	10th Feb	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Christine Pickles Anniv. 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, Tony Darlington, Nathan Carter, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, Lawrence Bratt, Tim Bradbury, Tony Nicholson, Roy Yearsley, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, Don Hartill, John Evans, Ursula Finn, Shirley Gaskell, Olga Dobson, Rebecca Lafferty. Joan Upton, Iwonna Francis, Jerry Scott, Christopher Marland

ALL who have died recently, especially Irene Marlborough.

ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: John McHugh, Daniel Nugent, Bridie Devaney, Jane Whittingham, Noreen Lanahan, Thomas Roland Kettle, Violet Riley, Maureen Hopkin, Florence Roberts, Gabriel O'Reilly, Peter Costello, Martin Ruddy, Patrick O'Gorman, John Nolan, Agnes Griffiths, Basil Greenwood, Margaret Tillier, Julia Hazell, Philip Dunn, Marjorie Pointer, Winifred Wells, Leonard van Hove, Catherine Cannon, Winefride Costello, James Hussey, Carmen Lanni, John Galbraith, Patricia Ward, Canon John F McHugh, Rev James Molloy, Rev James Harding, Mgr Provost Henry Kelly, Rev John A Lyons, Canon William C.T Briscoe



French Shrines Pilgrimage:

A meeting will take place with the tour operator for all who are joining the pilgrimage. Date: Friday 15th February 6.30pm at St Wilfrid's parish centre

Advance Dates: 18th Feb Community Mass & Lunch, 5th March Pancake Party, 2nd March Mass for Mental Health, 17th March St Patrick Celebration after Mass

Food Bank Shortages: Fruit Juice, Custard, Angel Delight, Jelly, Tinned Fruit, Ketchup

Good News for all supporters of Mary's Meals: From now until 1st March the government will double all donations. Last week we sent another £400 which will be doubled and we already have another £80 thanks to your generosity! Mary's Meals are now feeding 1,425,013 children each day at school.

The Parish Alpha Course continues this week. The next session will be [on Thursday 7th Feb 2019 from 7pm-9pm.](#)

Lists to Sign:

1. Hosting House Mass on Wednesday 1st May 2019: This does not entail much effort on your part. Fr Peter will bring all that is necessary. All you need to do is supply a small table, invite friends and neighbours and make a cup of tea afterwards
2. Hosting Prayer Icon for a week You can pray with the icon all week and invite friends and neighbours to join you at a time of your choosing. You will be given the parish prayer and the intercessions from the box at the back of church and can use any other prayers you wish.
3. Watching before the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary's school chapel on Thursday every week between 9.30am and 3.00pm

The Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage will be celebrated by Bishop Mark at 12 noon in St Columba's Church, Plas Newton, Chester, CH2 1SA on Saturday, 9th February, 2019. All married couples and their families are welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall.

Please join us for ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN which will be said on the first Monday of each month during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament which begins at 6.30pm. The Rosary will begin at 6.45pm. Prayer is our best weapon to protect life from conception to natural death

Headteacher Vacancy - Saint Mary's, Congleton: The local Governing Body is looking to recruit a new Headteacher for their primary school. If you know of a practising and committed Catholic with the right skills who might be interested in leading the school, they would be very welcome to arrange an informal visit in the first instance. This can be arranged by calling the school on: 01260 274690. All information and documentation relating to the role is available on the school website: <http://www.saintmaryscongleton.co.uk/work-with-us/> . The closing date for applications is Wednesday 27th February.

Please sign the list at the back of church by 10th Feb. if you intend to come to the next Community Mass & Lunch on Feb 18th

RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today the annual Special Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund is being held. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests.

Special Envelopes are available for you to use. If you use weekly Offertory Envelopes, please can I ask that you write in your envelope number. If you do not have your Offertory Envelope with you, or you give to your Parish by means of a Standing Order, write in your name and home address. In this way, it will be possible to reclaim the tax on your donation if you have joined the Gift Aid scheme. If you prefer, you can donate Online via Paypal to the Fund at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/retired-priests-fund where you can also take advantage of Gift Aid. A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund by Standing Order, or how you can make your donation by cheque. It also explains how to Gift Aid these donations to the Fund. I ask that you give as generously as you can to this very worthy cause and would also like to express my sincere gratitude for your continued support.

With every blessing, +Mark

Bishop of Shrewsbury

On Saturday 2nd March there will be a special Mass at St Mary's for all who are affected by mental health problems, their families and those who care for them. When we did this last time it was attended by people from many other parishes and we provided a soup and sandwich lunch afterwards, which was greatly appreciated. If we are to do this again we need some volunteers to make soup and sandwiches and help serve on the day. If you are willing to help please speak to Molly.

This Week

Monday	6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	St Mary's
Monday	6.00pm	PEP children	PC 1,2,3,4
Wednesday	7.30pm	House Mass	9 Hadrian Way CW10 9RB
Thursday	1.00pm	Craft Group	PC 1
Thursday	7.00pm	Alpha Course	St M's school
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	PC 4
Friday	9.45am	Parents & Tots	PC 2,3