

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

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4th August 2019

Saturday	3rd Aug	6.30pm	Ellen & Fred Bagshaw Wedd Anniv. <i>St Oswald</i>
Sunday	4th Aug	9.00am 10.30am	(Holmes Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.
Monday	5th Aug	9.00am	Paul Black, sick
Tuesday	6th Aug	9.00am	Celeb of the Word & Comm. <i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>
Wednesday	7th Aug	11.00am	Funeral Service for Fiorella Washington
Thursday	8th Aug	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion <i>St Dominic</i>
Friday	9th Aug	9.00am	Celeb of Word & Comm. <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>
Saturday	10th Aug	6.30pm	Lou Costello Anniv.
Sunday	11th Aug	9.00am 10.30am	(Holmes Chapel) Priest's Int. The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation : None this week
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, John Bomford, Nathan Carter, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, Tim Bradbury, Roy Yearsley, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Olga Dobson, Rebecca Lafferty, Joan Upton, Iwonna Francis, Christopher Marland, Karen Potts, Poppy Johnson, Fr Pat Munroe, Mary Morris, Michael McCluskey



ALL who have died recently, especially Fiorella Washington, Mary Jennings & Tom McHugh

ALL Whose anniversaries occur at this time: Zeko Perocevic, George Wickham, Eileen Carroll, Mary Ryan, Con Meschel, James Wilfrid Costello, John McHale, George Galvin, Honorah Joyce, Malachy Young, Paul Reece, George Butler, Stacey Wright, Lou Costello, Mary Robinson, Margaret Hall, John Patterson, Rev Peter Robertson

Mary's Meals Backpacks: We are hoping to do these again in the autumn, so please hang on to any backpacks, flipflops, sandals, shorts, skirts, T shirts, dresses to suit children from 5 to 12. Full details of the backpack contents can be found at <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/the-backpack-project/what-to-pack/>

St Nicholas River Run - On 21st September 2019, St Nicholas' invites as many runners as possible, young and not so young, beginners and those who already have the running bug, to take part in our first ever 'St Nicholas River Run'. The events include a 10km trail run – a chip timed event, 5km trail run – a chip timed event and 2km family fun run with fun run medal. There will be a bespoke blue bridge medal for finishers of the timed events. Experienced or not, get your trainers on and give it a go! See bookings website to secure your place: <https://st-nicholas.niftyentries.com/St-Nicholas-River-Run-2019>

Food bank Shortages

During the last few months the need for food parcels for our most needy families has greatly increased. During the six weeks of school holidays the foodbank prepares lunch parcels for those children who, because of their circumstances, usually receive free school meals. There are over 40 families in need of this help. The stock of food in the foodbank is very low and if we are to continue to support the poorest members of our community we will need to increase the amount of food we receive quite substantially. If you can help us by increasing your donation over the next few weeks we would be extremely grateful. The only items that we have in plenty are beans, pasta and tinned soup. Any of the other usual food items would be very welcome. Thank you for your unfailing generosity and kindness. God bless you always.

Sr Ruth will be leading a Prayer Group in St Mary's every two weeks on Tuesday mornings after Mass for about an hour, starting on September 10th.

Part of the money raised by OMT is being used to employ two people to help with initial and on-going formation for Catechists and lay ministers. They are introducing a new way of doing this and we have been asked to be one of a small group of parishes to pilot the new scheme. It looks like a very interesting, varied & useful course. The Diocese are putting on an introductory day on **Saturday 19th October in the Parish Centre.** Would all catechists and lay ministers please try to keep the day free and attend the course. If anyone not currently a minister would like to come to the day, please have a word with Fr Peter

If anyone would like to see Sr Ruth to discuss the possibility of Ruth offering tuition in English to your child at primary school level please contact her. Sr Ruth has a degree in English Literature and one to one experience of tuition. If you are interested, she would be glad to discuss details of the relevant school curriculum etc. her phone no is 07849 066013.

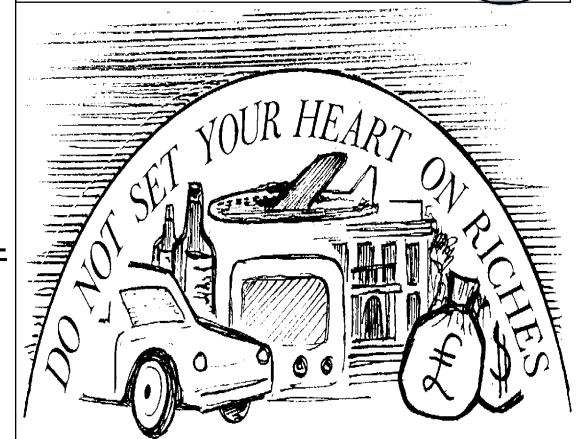
If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about our Catholic Faith, with a view to possibly becoming a Catholic, please get in touch with Fr Peter before the end of August for an initial meeting, with a view to joining our RCIA group in September. The group meets on Wednesday evenings at 8.15pm and looks at the Scripture readings for the following Sunday and at aspects of Catholic teaching, in an informal setting, where questions and discussion are encouraged.

September Trip to the Shrines of France:

There will be a meeting at St Wilfrid's Church Northwich on Friday 23rd August beginning with mass at 6.30pm and followed with a talk and refreshments.

Lenten Walsingham Trip. Depart Monday 16th and return Thursday 19th March 2020. Cost is £220 which includes coach transport and three nights half-board accommodation. Letters containing full details available at back of church. Contacts: Fr Paul Standish or Deacon Tony Ford

We welcome into our parish Family Charlie Twite who will be Baptised this Sunday



This Week
Friday 9.45am Mothers' Prayers

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