

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

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## The Epiphany of the Lord, 5th January 2020

Saturday	4th Jan	6.30pm	<b>The Parishioners</b>
Sunday	5th Jan	9.00am 10.30am	<b>(H Chapel) Priest's Int. Jean Taylor Anniv</b>
Monday	6th Jan	9.00am 6.30pm	<b>Ukrainian Families Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Tuesday	7th Jan	9.00am	<b>Damien McDermott, sick</b>
Wednesday	8th Jan	7.30pm	<b>DFR Hollins Family</b>
Thursday	9th Jan	9.00am 9.30am	<b>(School) Michael Hannon Anniv. (School) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 2.00pm</b>
Friday	10th Jan	9.00am	<b>Noel Hulme Anniv.</b>
Saturday	11th Jan	6.30pm	<b>Priest's Int.</b>
Sunday	12th Jan	9.00am 10.30am	<b>(H Chapel) Christine Pickles Anniv. The Parishioners</b>

**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, 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, Joan Upton, Karen Potts, Fr Pat Munroe, Mary Morris, Michael McCluskey, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Angela Kitchen, Fr Paul Hughes, Deacon Philip White, Martin Armitt, Betty Hickland



ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: William Shirley, Graham Robert Yates, Mary Devaney, Kathleen Gleave, Florence Bamford, Nancy Farrington, Jean Taylor, Eileen Taylor, Thomas Morris, Stephen Farrington, Stanley Smith, Jack Farrington, Michael Hannon, Sydney Thomas Flaherty, Leonard Joseph Storrow, James Kelly, John Killinger, Frank Worden, Rev Stephen McKenna, Canon Harry Stratton, Rev Anthony Leonard snr., Canon Maurice Stone, Rev John MacDonald, Rev Raphael Velarde

Thank you for all the special Christmas Donations .  
 Food Bank Shortages:  
 Cordial, Milk, Fruit Juice,  
 Coffee, Tinned Fruit,  
 Tinned potatoes



**Community Mass & Lunch on Mon 27th Jan.**

In January we are hoping to have the unsatisfactory Heating System in the Parish Centre improved. The problem has now finally been diagnosed. We are also having work done on the ventilator which lets in rain. These jobs may cause a couple of days' disruption. Please be patient. There is no gain without pain!  
**Dates for work to heating: Wed/Thurs 15 & 16th Jan.**

Thank you for your generous contributions to Christmas Flowers. £ 222.29 was donated at St Mary's. The flower group would like to say a very big thank you to Mike & Pat Springett, Debbie Stevens and Pauline Webb, who helped us with the Christmas Flowers and who made our lovely church look so special. £ 131.50 was donated at St Margaret's.

We are running ALPHA starting from Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 7pm-9pm at St. Mary's school. ALPHA is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly and informal environment. It is for everyone and open to everyone, no matter where you believe you are on your faith journey. If you would like to come to the first evening and see what it's all about, then please let us know. Or if you would like to know more please give us a call (Gemma 01606 837539).

**Online study workshops for Catechists and Extraordinary Ministers:** the Parish has a subscription to a new series of online study programmes for ongoing training and formation – this is mainly aimed at Catechists and Ministers of the Word/Communion/Welcoming etc (many of you recently attended a parish day on this) but is available to everyone. It is suitable for personal study or for groups. Deacon Chris will be starting a group for First Communion Catechists that will run on alternate Monday evenings in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm. The first session will be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January where we will make sure everyone can get access to the system and start the first workshop. Everyone welcome!

**Ministers of the Word Retreat and ongoing training day:** Advance notice; please put Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March in your diary 10.30-14.00. Further details closer to the time.

Thank you to all who helped organise the Christmas Raffle and those who bought tickets. The winning numbers are: 1870, 2733, 2401, 698, 2931, 2473, 2100, 1855, 1562. All prizes have been claimed. The Raffle raised £835 for Parish Funds. This will go towards the cost of improving the heating in the Parish Centre.

St Anne's Nantwich are seeking to appoint a permanent Headteacher for September 2020. All details are on the noticeboard at both churches. The closing date for applications is 24th January.

Thank you for your donations to Caritas. So far we have £223.95. Christmas Crib Offerings will be added to this after this weekend.

There has been a recent case of an elderly parishioner being scammed out of £500 because she received an email which she thought was from her parish priest requesting her to purchase gift vouchers for his niece as he was too busy over Christmas. **The scammer may well have accessed the parish website where both the parishioner's name and the parish priest's name are published.** The fact that the scammer did not ask for money or bank details may have made the parishioner feel that this was a genuine request. However, the gift voucher numbers were requested which will enable the scammer to spend the money. If you receive a similar communication, please **DO NOT RESPOND!**



This Week		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.45am</b>	<b>Sr Ruth's Prayer Group</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.15pm</b>	<b>RCIA</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Craft Group</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.45am</b>	<b>Mothers' Prayers</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.45am</b>	<b>Parents &amp; Tots</b>
		<b>St Mary's</b>
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		<b>PC 1</b>
		<b>PC 1</b>
		<b>PC 4</b>
		<b>PC 2,3</b>