

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

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, 26th January 2020

Saturday	25th Jan	6.30pm	Louise Turnbull b'day <i>Conversion of St Paul</i>
Sunday	26th Jan	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The parishioners Priest's Int.
Monday	27th Jan	12.00pm 6.30pm	George & Mary Stevens Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday	28th Jan	9.00am	Slattery Family <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>
Wednesday	29th Jan	7.30pm	Laurence Bratt b'day
Thursday	30th Jan	9.00am 9.30am	(School) Private Int (Y) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 2.00pm
Friday	31st Jan	9.00am	Bishop Ian Murray Anniv. <i>St John Bosco</i>
Saturday	1st Feb	6.30pm	Jean Williams Anniv
Sunday	2nd Feb	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int. 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, 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 Armit



ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Henry Jordan, James Ellison, Anthony Lawless, Patrick Clarke, Harriet Lannon, Martin Tully, Clive Richard McMillan, Ethel Loughlin, Florrie Kelly, Harry Bailey, Tess Hough, Wilfrid Cooper, Bill Costello, Lily Cesario, Dr James Murphy, Brian Kelly, Ethel Mann, Margaret Ryder, Elizabeth O'Brien, Rev Donnan Peter Baron, Mgr Canon Percival Rees, Rev James Joseph Matthews, Rev John Frederick Thompson

Ministers of the Word Retreat and ongoing training day: Advance notice; please put Saturday **29th Feb** in your diary 10.30-14.00. Further details closer to the time. Please note change of date due to a clash of events

Every week we put up a new poster on the H Ch Churches Together Notice Board. Is anyone willing to take this on for the next couple of months up to Easter? Contact Bren Shackleton if you can help. Thanks. 077 39 38 87 14

We welcome into our Parish Family Delilah O'Connor who will be Baptised this Sunday



Food Bank Shortages: Cordial, Milk, Fruit Juice, Coffee, Tinned Fruit, Tinned potatoes

Advance dates: Feb 24th Community Mass & Lunch, Feb 25th Pancake party, Feb 26th Ash Wednesday, Feb 29th Ministers of the Word .

RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTON will be held this weekend

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 wish Gift Aid to be claimed on your donation, please write in your name and address (including Postcode) on the front of the Special Envelope provided.

A Leaflet about the Fund is also available which explains how to make a regular donation to the Fund (by Standing Order or Cheque), and how you can donate Online to the Fund at

www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/retired-priests-fund. It also explains how to take advantage of Gift Aid to boost your donation 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**

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/Welcome 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 3rd Feb (new date due to WIFI delay)** where we will make sure everyone can get access to the system and start the first workshop. Everyone welcome!

Many thanks to all who responded to the Cafod emergency appeal for our friends in Zambia & Zimbabwe. £80.40 was given at St Margaret's and over £600 at St Mary's We have sent a cheque to Cafod for £685.03

The Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage will be celebrated by Bishop Mark at 12 noon in St Joseph's Church, North Road, Birkenhead, CH42 7JY on Saturday, 8th February, 2020. All married couples and their families are welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary (25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th) and wish to attend the Mass, please let your Parish Priest know (by the 26th January) and you will receive a special letter of invitation. If you are not celebrating a significant anniversary, but still wish to attend the Mass and enjoy the refreshments, please let the Bishop's PA know curia@dioceseofshrewsbury.org - 01743 290052, so that you can be added to the numbers for catering purposes.

The Holy Family Icon is available to take to your home for private, family or group prayer. If you would like to host the icon for a week, please contact Mary Ford on 01270 759511 or honoraford@gmail.com

We have a number of vacancies for Foundation Governors within our Catholic schools across Cheshire.

In looking to such appointments, key requirements of Foundation Governors are:

- that they should be practising Roman Catholics; and
- that they genuinely believe in the value and the importance of Catholic Schools.

Is this you? Are you able to offer your services?

For more information and/or an application pack please contact Sue Blackwell, Governance Support Officer, either by email

sue.blackwell@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or telephone on 0151 652 9855.

Celebrate Weekend, 25-26th April at All Hallows Catholic College, Macclesfield.

Something for all the family. See poster for details.

This Week		
Monday	6.00pm	PEP Children
Monday	6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday	8.15pm	RCIA
Thursday	7.00pm	Alpha Course
Thursday	7.30pm	Talk: Significance of Epiphany
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers
Friday	9.45am	Parents & Tots
		PC 1,2,3,4
		St Mary's
		PC 1
		School
		PC 1
		PC 4
		PC 2,3