

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

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Third Sunday in Lent, 15th March 2020

Saturday	14th Mar	6.30pm	Priest's Int.
Sunday	15th Mar	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Tom Murphy RIP
Monday	16th Mar	9.00am	Pat Taylor, b'day ann.
Tuesday	17th Mar	9.00am	No Mass or Service <i>St Patrick</i>
Wednesday	18th Mar	7.30pm	No Mass or Service
Thursday	19th Mar	9.00am	(School) No Mass, Service or Exposition <i>St Joseph</i>
Friday	20th Mar	9.00am	Norah McEnaney
Saturday	21st Mar	6.30pm	The Parishioners
Sunday	22nd Mar	9.00am 10.30am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int. Mary Fewtrell RIP

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, Emily Wickham, Fr Jim McGrath, Marion Bickerton



ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mary Armstrong, John O'Brien, Andrew Frazer, Daniel Murphy, Bridget Egan, Thomas Bannaghan, Margaret Eveline Hartley, Tom Kerr, Thomas Gadd, Mary Fahey, Sr M de Sales, William Jennings, Michael Haseler, Bernard Cannon, Kathleen Wait, Canon Joseph Howe

Advance dates: 29th March Dowry of Mary Service, 5th April Palm Sunday

Celebrate Weekend, 25-26th April at All Hallows Catholic College, Macclesfield. Something for all the family. See poster for details.

Food Bank Shortages: Tinned meat, Coffee, Toothpaste, deodorant, custard, shampoo

ECUMENICAL WEEKEND has unfortunately had to be cancelled due to lack of interest.

International Eucharistic Conference, Budapest, 14-21 Sept. <https://www.iec2020.hu/en> There is a block booking with Tangney Tours for all pilgrims from England and Wales (<http://www.iec.tours>). Only 20 places for each diocese, staying in 4-star hotel near events. Two possibilities: 5 or 7 nights; prices are all-inclusive, except for the journey to Heathrow which will be arranged for those going with the diocese. See poster/flyers for details. **Registration by Email** directly via the Tangney website. Enquiries to Barbara Davies: barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org T: 07730 526 821

We have now moved to stage 2 of the Church's response to the Covid 19 situation and the Bishop's Conference has sent us a list of recommendations. A copy of these is available for you to take home this weekend, and it is also on the website As a result of the advice given we have regretfully cancelled the St Patrick's Celebration, the Pie & Bingo Supper, the Community Lunch and the Passover meal. We have also suspended Tea & Coffee after Mass. Until further notice, parish groups can continue to meet, but if you want a drink, please bring your own mug and take it home after the meeting. The measures may seem extreme, but they are necessary to protect the vulnerable members of our community. Please read the recommendations and co-operate with us to follow them.

Torch Trust is the Christian sight loss charity in the UK. For sixty years we have been providing Christians with sight loss with accessible Christian literature and support. Torch Trust invites you and your church, to a free and unique workshop specifically designed to raise awareness and equip churches to be more accessible to people with sight loss. **New Life Community Church in Crewe will be hosting the event on Saturday 28th March and we would love it if you would join us.** 1 person every 6 minutes is diagnosed with sight loss in the UK, that's 250 people a day. Torch Trust has launched a new campaign called Sight Loss Friendly Church (SLFC) to equip churches to fully include people living with sight loss. Through SLFC Torch Trust offers free resources, advice and guidance. Our desire is to see people with sight loss grow in faith and thrive in their Christian community.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Will leave St Mary's at 10.00am on Monday, after Mass. As all our clergy and a large group of parishioners are going on the pilgrimage from Monday morning to Thursday afternoon, there are no services or meetings until the end of the week. The Parish Office will be functioning as usual so please ring if you need information or help.

This Lent, CAFOD's Family Fast Day is an opportunity to reach out to some of the poorest, most marginalised of our sisters and brothers. Your donations go to highly-trained, highly-skilled local experts around the world who save and support the health of the world's poorest families. Sister Consilia is one of these people. She is a nun in an out-of-town health centre in Zimbabwe. Sister Consilia is a trained pharmacist who saves lives each and every day. Without support like yours, her brilliant work just couldn't continue as there wouldn't be enough funding to support it. But we urgently need your help to fund more local experts like Sister Consilia to reach out to even more people who need treatment, care and love. Through CAFOD's global Church family – one of the largest aid networks in the world – your support can reach to the ends of the earth. **Please return your Family Fast Day envelope as soon as possible and give whatever you can.**

Singing the Word! Proclaiming The Word through Music: a day offered by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission for cantors, singers, instrumentalists, clergy and congregations. A day of singing, reflection and sharing ideas, with keynote speaker composer and liturgist Martin Foster at St John Plessington Catholic College, Old Chester Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 7LF. Saturday 21st March 10 am-3.00pm. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. £5 fee to cover expenses is payable on the day (£25 for a group of 6). Please register ASAP with anthony.timothy@dioceseofshrewsbury.org



This Week

Thursday	7.30pm	Cafod Group	Presbytery
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	PC 4
Friday	9.45am	Parents & Tots	PC2,3