

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

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Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 18th October 2020

Saturday	17th Oct	6.30pm	Priest's Int. St Ignatius of Antioch
Sunday	18th Oct	9.00am 11.00am	Larry Porter The Parishioners
Monday	19th Oct	9.00am 6.30pm	Private Int. Rosary follows mass—everyone welcome. St Peter of Alcantara Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament St Thomas
Tuesday	20th Oct	9.00am	Jean & Oliver Taylor
Wednesday	21st Oct	7.30pm	Private Int.
Thursday	22nd Oct	9.00am 9.30-12.00	Private Int Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	23rd Oct	9.00am	Private Int. Mother's Prayers follows mass
Saturday	24th Oct	6.30pm	Mike Casey Anniv.
Sunday	25th Oct	9.00am 11.00am	The Parishioners Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.00am –12.00pm & On request .
Sacrament of baptism : Please ring the presbytery for details of what is possible

Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, John Bomford, Larry Porter, Gillian Robinson, Tim Bradbury, Roy Yearsley, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Mary Morris, Michael McCluskey, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Paul Hughes, Deacon Philip White, Martin Armitt, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Tess Haney, Simon Finn



ALL who have died recently, especially Brian Doherty

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Hugh Hazell, Bertha Bratt, Denis McCarthy, Colin Gray-trex, Michael Hogan, John Dolan, Mary Bannaghan, Catherine Down, Bridget Casey, John Payne, Ted Jinks, Ann Hough, Mabel Spilsbury, Maragret Costello, Sarah McGlinsky, John Telfer, Joan Thackwell, Michael Glynn, Terry O'Rourke, Canon Joseph Briscoe, Rev Percival Bailey, Rt Rev Brian M Noble, Canon Louis John St John.

Scripture Group every Tues at 7.00pm
 We use Zoom and look at the scripture (particularly the Gospel) for the following Sunday. If you would like to join in send an email to: stmarysmiddlewich@stmarysmiddlewich.org.uk as we will need your e-mail address to send the Zoom invitation (e-mail addresses will not be used for any other purpose). This is open to anyone, not just parishioners.

Welcome back to Mass. If you are coming PLEASE wear a mask; Social distance when queuing: sanitise your hands on entry, scan the Track & Trace app or sign in: Follow the one way system and instructions from stewards (wearing aprons to identify them). Communion in the hand only, no chalice. Instructions will be given by Fr Peter. Strict limit of 50, no exceptions. Box for offerings at back of church. Leave promptly, as instructed, at the end of Mass, not before. THERE ARE NO TOILETS AVAILABLE. WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THE PARISH CENTRE

It has become obvious that we are not likely to see a relaxation in the rules governing our worship for at least six months, so we must endeavour to remain positive and find creative ways of being Church. We are hoping to have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each week, not only on Monday evenings, but also on Thursday mornings from the end of Mass until 12.00. From 11.00am to 12.00 on Saturdays Fr Peter will normally be available to offer a socially distanced Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The government has introduced new rules which affect our celebration of some Sacraments. We can still have 30 people in church for a funeral but only 15 for a wedding, including the couple, photographer and organist, and only six for a Baptism, including the parents, baby and godparents. There are still many restrictions attached to these celebrations, and this permission could be reversed if there are more lockdown restrictions.

The number for Masses at St Mary's is still 50, but masks must be worn and social distancing maintained. There are still spare places at all Masses. The provision of the Masses is dependant on there being sufficient volunteers as stewards and cleaners, two for each weekend Mass and one for each weekday. We also need volunteers from time to time for weddings and funerals The same people have volunteered now for several months and could do with some reinforcements. Rotas are planned separately for each week, so you do not have to make a long term commitment. Offers of help for future weekends and weekdays should be emailed to the parish office. There is no indication of a possible end to these rules, so we need to make the most of what we CAN do, and not dwell on what we can't!
 Fr Peter, Deacon Tony, Deacon Chris

CAFOD's Family Fast Day Friday October 9th: Any remaining contributions should be put in the box at the back of church asap.

The Holmes Chapel Ecumenical Christian Aid Group has produced a Quiz to raise funds to support Christian Aid's Autumn Appeal as the Autumn Fair cannot take place this year. If you would like to take part please email anneokeefe@ymail.com or felicitychipperfield@gmail.com to obtain a copy of the quiz. Instructions explaining how to make a donation and return your answers will be provided with the quiz. There will be a prize of £10 for the winning entry and the closing date is November 30th 2020. Thank-you for your support.

As no one has volunteered to clean at the end of Saturday morning Exposition, we shall not be able to continue it unless someone commits to do this by Monday. Fr Peter will be available at the back of Church each Saturday to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, but intending penitents must queue outside, and will not be able to spend time in church either before or after celebrating the Sacrament.

From this weekend those who have downloaded the government Track & Trace app can register their presence in this way at all Masses at St Mary's. Those who do not have the app must continue to sign in as usual

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St Mary's Parish Reconciliation and Eucharistic programme October 2020 – May 2021

A group of children have already enrolled for this year's programme, but if you have a child in year 3 or above whom you wish to enrol to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (*Forgiveness*) and Eucharist (*First Holy Communion*), there is still time for them to join the programme. Please get in touch with Fr Peter: Tel: 01606 832359; Teresa Wells: Tel: 01606 738030; Janet McKinlay: Tel: 01606 832164; Sharon Coyne: Tel: 01606 841083

Today is World Mission Sunday. Please take home a copy of the Mission letter with your bulletin. It is also on the website.