

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

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All Saints, 1st November 2020

Saturday	31st Oct	6.30pm	Michael Hannon B'day
Sunday	1st Nov	9.00am 11.00am	Priest's Int The Parishioners
Monday <i>All Souls</i>	2nd Nov	9.00am 6.30pm	DRF Devaney Fam. <i>Rosary follows mass—everyone welcome.</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament <i>Ss Chad & Cedd</i>
Tuesday	3rd Nov	9.00am	Enid & Evan Jones
Wednesday	4th Nov	7.30pm	Vincent Fanning RIP
Thursday	5th Nov	9.00am 9.30-11.30	Alison Browne 20th Anniv. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	6th Nov	9.00am	DRF Noyce & Kenyon Fams <i>Mother's Prayers follows mass</i>
Saturday	7th Nov	11.00-1.00 6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Pat Tate
Sunday	8th Nov	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 Armit, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Tess Haney, Simon Finn



ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Dennis McGorty, Will Orchard, Phyllis Fahey, Kathleen Carter, Barbara Telfer, Philip Dutton, Phillip Shales, Mary Tully, Maria Quinn, Celia Maddock, Julie Hewson, Jack Mann, Alison Browne, James Mills, Susan Murphy, Winefride Molloy, Kathleen Gray, Rev Edward O'Dwyer, Canon George Higgins, Rev Francis Connolly, Canon James Fraser, Rev James Fitzgerald, Rev Denis John Smith

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 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., and on Saturdays from 11.00 to 1.00pm. From 11.00am to 12.00 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. Thank you those who have joined the ranks, more would be welcome! 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

Churches Together Prayer & Praise: This Sunday at 4.30pm at St Mary's (Outside/inside) All welcome

From November onwards Parish Office Hours will be as follows: 9.30-12.30 and 2.00-5.00 on Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10.00– 12.00 on Saturday. Outside of these times you can leave a message, or send an email and we will contact you.

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.

If you are able to download the government Track & Trace app, please do so, then you can use it to register at Mass. This will help us to avoid people queuing in the rain to sign in.

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

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND - SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend the annual Collection for the Clergy Education & Training Fund will be held. On the training and formation of Priests, the future of our Diocese so much depends.

If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please make your donation Online. To donate Online please go to www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/clergy-education-and-training-fund
 An electronic version of a leaflet about the Fund is available on the Parish website. This explains how you can also donate to the Fund by Standing Order or Cheque and how to Gift Aid donations made using these methods. If you can't go online and wish to Gift Aid, ask Molly for a leaflet.

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Next week is Remembrance Sunday but there will be no public service at the cenotaph so Masses will be at the normal times