

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

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Second Sunday of Advent, 6th December 2020

Saturday	5th Dec	6.30pm	For Parishioners
Sunday	6th Dec	9.00am	Priest's intentions
		11.00am	Leanne Collins RIP
Monday	7th Dec	9.00am	Private Int (Y) St Ambrose
		6.30pm– 7.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday	8th Dec	9.00am	Dorothy Reilly RIP The Immaculate Conception
Wednesday	9th Dec	7.30pm	Margaret Webster RIP
Thursday	10th Dec	9.00am	Annette Morris, b'day
		9.30-12.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	11th Dec	9.00am	Lawrence Bratt
Saturday	12th Dec	11.00am—1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
		6.30pm	Carole & Sheila Bagshaw
Sunday	13th Dec	9.00am	Priest's Int
		11.00am	The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.00– 12.00 and on request
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, 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, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Tess Haney, Simon Finn



ALL who have died recently, especially Margaret Webster, Larry Porter & Sr Anne Ryan

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Anne Smith, Denis Kenny, Annie Howman, Hilda Morris, Edith Duffy, Basil Mannion, Bernard McDermott, John Egan, Denis Charles Magee, Doris Banaghan, Thomas James Bowen, Charles Regan, Alfred Francis Barry, Mary Jane Down, Margaret Trelfa, Helen Patterson, Adrian Prescott, Edward Horne snr., John Cannon, Annie Kucharczyk, Canon Aelred Rigby, Rev James Devlin, Canon Andrew V Campbell

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Welcome back to Mass. You must still wear a mask, sanitise your hands, sign in, follow the one way system, social distance, and follow stewards' instructions, exactly as you have been doing until now. We can now celebrate funerals in church with up to 30 people, weddings with 15 and Baptisms with six.

As gathering for public worship is now allowed, Fr Peter will only stream 11.00am Mass on Sundays on the parish facebook page. If you have an intention booked for a weekend Mass it will now be celebrated at the Mass which you booked. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturdays 11.00-12.00 and by appointment

Advent is a time of preparation, preparation for the coming of Our Lord at Christmas. A bit like Lent, many people like to try and find an extra way to pray and prepare so we are planning some extra activities this year:

12.00 noon (Mon-Sat): The Angelus; the beautiful prayer announcing the Incarnation. Father Peter will stream this live on our Facebook page.

Daily Reflections: The clergy will be offering a daily reflection each day (except Sunday) through Advent to help us with our preparation. These will be very short with a suggested Bible reading for you to follow up with if you wish. They will be on the Parish Facebook page each day through Advent. Father Peter is also planning to stream Morning Prayer of the Church at 8.30am during the last week of Advent.

As the church has re-opened for collective worship from Dec 3rd we're working on a few other ideas as well such as decorating the tree and Carols but we're waiting until it's clear what the restrictions will be before we finalise them.

Fr Peter, Deacon Tony, Deacon Chris.

GOOD NEWS: From now until the end of January Donations to Mary's Meals will be doubled by the government. You can give online, in church or put an envelope through the presbytery door. There are Christmas cards at the back of church for Mary's meals on sale, £5 for 10, or gift cards for £5 each or £15.90 to feed a child for a year.

Fr Peter will celebrate Requiem Mass for Margaret Webster at St Wilfrid's Northwich on 7th December at 12 noon.

Foodbank Christmas Shortages: St Marys

Toiletry Gift Sets, Mince Pies, Treacle/Chocolate Puddings, Gravy, Peanuts/ Nut Selection/Crisps Please donate the items into the baskets at Lidl, Morrisons, Jaks, Waitrose-Sandbach and Sainsbury's- Holmes Chapel. Larger donations can be delivered to us at Middlewich Police Station, 35b Queen Street, Middlewich, CW109AR

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Christmas Masses: The 50 places available at 4.30 & 6.30 Masses were fully booked by 4.00pm on Saturday. Today (Thursday) there are still a few places available at 11.00pm but these will soon go.

How to Book. Send an email to stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com giving your name, phone no., which Mass you want to attend, and how many people. Babies in arms do not count but all children over 12 months count. You will receive a reply telling you if you have a place or not.

If you cannot email, ring the presbytery during office hours. You cannot leave an answerphone message, you must speak live to someone, or you will not know if there are still places available.

If you have booked and no longer need places, please let us know so that we can give the places to someone else.

PART-TIME SUPPORT WORKER ASSISTANT FOR MOCOCO HOUSE

Are you passionate about making positive changes in young people's lives?

Why not apply to become a Support Worker Assistant at MoCoCo House.

We are seeking a passionate and caring individual to join our assistant team.

Previous care or support experience within the social care sector would be advantageous but is not essential.

Please see notice board for more details. If you are interested please send your CV to our HR Officer,

Nicola nicola@middlewich.org

Parish Office Hours are now: 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.