

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

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**Fourth Sunday of Easter, 25th April 2021**

Sat	24th Apr	6.30pm	<b>Louise Turnbull Anniv.</b>
Sun	25th Apr	9.00am 11.00am	<b>Priest's Int. The Parishioners</b>
Mon	26th Apr	9.00am	<b>Yvanka Krashek Anniv.</b>
Tues	27th Apr	9.00am	<b>Thanksgiving: Diane</b>
Wed	28th Apr	7.30pm	<b>Ints of Dave Collins</b>
Thurs	29th Apr	9.00am	<b>Special Int. (K) St Catherine of Siena</b>
Fri	30th Apr	9.00am	<b>Kitty &amp; Jack Insley &amp; Cathy</b>
Sat	1st May	6.30pm	<b>Lily Costello b'day</b>
Sun	2nd May	9.00am 11.00am	<b>The Parishioners Priest's Int.</b>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment  
 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, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Paul Hughes, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Simon Finn, Mike O'Hare .

ALL who have died recently, especially Sylvia Sullivan

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Gregory, Julia Brennan, Alfred Ernest Horricks, Simon Dakin, Peter Prescott, Margaret Kowalski, Cyril Ward, Vera Fraser, Helen Wickham, Sydney Smith, Geoffrey Hadcroft, Eric Buddle, Albert Gallagher, James Lannon, Arthur Gilford, Irene Fogg, Patricia Brewer, Ida Irwin, Lucy Taylor, Peter Clarke, Rev Denis O'Sullivan, Rev Michael Barry

**PARLIAMENT IN OUR PARISH:** Cafod is inviting Catholics to organise a virtual meeting with their local MP to discuss how to rebuild from the pandemic in a way that tackles the major global issues of our time, including climate change and unjust foreign debts. With more than 5 million Catholics in the UK, these meetings will be a chance for local MPs to hear the voices of the Catholic community in their constituency and for us to learn what they are doing to ensure the UK plays a leading role in the global recovery. We are looking for a few members of our parish who would be interested in helping organise such a meeting with our MP Fiona Bruce. We would also like to hear from parishioners who would be prepared to attend the virtual meeting once it has been set up. If you are interested in getting involved please contact [annesturman17@gmail.com](mailto:annesturman17@gmail.com). Thank you

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Thank you those of you who have continued to join us, in person or online. We hope that, with falling infection rates, more of you will feel confident enough to return to Mass. This week we will continue to have a public Mass every day. Many thanks to the stewards for their continued service. We shall re-start the Rosary on Mondays and Mothers' Prayers on Fridays in church from a week on Monday, and hope to restart Monday Exposition shortly. Please ensure when you leave that you do not group together at the back of church or outside. It is becoming increasingly obvious that the lockdown, coupled with vaccinations, is reducing infection rates.

We are now seeing a great increase in requests for Baptism, and suggest that, if you want to arrange a baptism before the end of this year, you should contact us in the next month. Until we are able to return to a more normal pattern of worship, Fr Peter is available by appointment for any pastoral need. Weddings and baptisms are now allowed, but only with 6 people present. Funerals continue to be restricted to 30 people.

Please tell all your fellow parishioners how safe it feels in church and encourage everyone to be part of the real, not just virtual, community again. Fr Peter, Deacon Tony, Deacon Chris.

**The Wishing Well** is a health and wellbeing charity based in Cheshire. They are seeking volunteer drivers to deliver meals to south Cheshire residents. 2 hours per day, anything from one to six days a week. Mileage allowance paid. If you can help ring Gill Tarrant on 01270 256919 or email [gill.tarrant@wishingwellproject.net](mailto:gill.tarrant@wishingwellproject.net). Details on notice board at back of church.

### Take action to stop the climate crisis

This year the eyes of the world will be on Britain as we host two major international meetings, the G7 and the UN 'COP 26' climate talks. Britain is in a unique position to show global leadership to tackle poverty, inequality and climate change. As citizens we need to ensure that the Prime Minister does not miss this opportunity. Cafod is inviting us to sign their petition asking the Prime Minister to show the ambition needed to stop temperatures rising above 1.5 degrees and to put the people worst affected by the crisis at the heart of the talks.

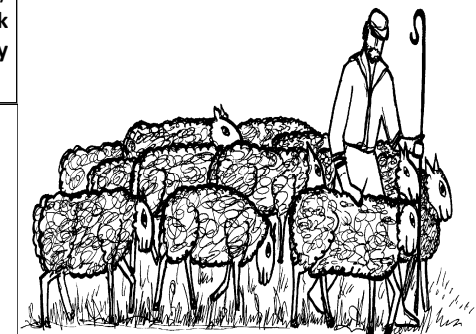
Visit [cafod.org.uk/reclaim](http://cafod.org.uk/reclaim). Petition cards are available at the back of church for those who prefer.

St Monica's Catholic Primary School, Appleton are advertising for a deputy head teacher. CES application form, job description and personal specification can be requested by emailing . E-mail: [stmonicas\\_primary@warrington.gov.uk](mailto:stmonicas_primary@warrington.gov.uk)  
**Informal visits to school: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Closing date: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 10 am**

**The Logos & Literature: Elaborating the Divine** A series of online evening talks exploring some of the great themes of Catholic Christianity in writing old and new, with Catholic scholars and contemporary authors. Every second Thursday at 7:30pm from 29<sup>th</sup> April. For info and registration <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/logos-and-literature/>

We are looking to start helping young people prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation which, all things being well, will take place in November this year. The preparation is for anyone who is in Year 8 or older who would like to learn more about our faith and who Jesus is. Have you got questions about God? What the Church teaches and why? Need help understanding what prayer is? Not sure whether you have a relationship with God or not, or who the Holy Spirit is? This is an opportunity for you to come and ask those questions and where we can help you to find the answers. Dates and times for meeting are still to be arranged, but will be confirmed asap. Please let us know if you are interested or if you would like to find out more, email Mike

Worden [wordenm123@gmail.com](mailto:wordenm123@gmail.com) or parish [stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com) by 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021. Thanks, we look forward to seeing you soon.



What's On - week commencing April 25th 2021

- Sun 25th: Church open for Mass at 9.00 and 11.00am. The 11.00am Mass will also be streamed on our Facebook page.
- Mon 26th: Church open for Mass at 9.00am.  
10.30am Rosary via Zoom. Please contact Madelyn Devaney if you would like to participate (01606 833497).
- Tues 27th: Church open for Mass at 9.00am  
7.00pm Scripture Group. Contact Deacon Chris if you would like to join us ( [deaconchriswells@gmail.com](mailto:deaconchriswells@gmail.com) )
- Weds 28th: Church open for Mass at 7.30pm. It will also be streamed via Facebook.
- Thurs 29th: Church open for Mass at 9.00am.
- Fri 30th: Church open for Mass at 9.00am. It will also be streamed via Facebook.
- Sat 1st: Church open for Mass at 6.30pm.