

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

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The Holy Family of Jesus, 26th December 2021

Sun	26th Dec	9.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int.
		11.00am	Ken & Marie Page
Mon	27th Dec	9.00am	Bernard & Hilda Mulvey RIP <i>St John</i>
Tues	28th Dec	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion <i>Holy Innocents</i>
Wed	29th Dec	7.30pm	No Mass or Service <i>St Thomas Becket</i>
Thurs	30th Dec	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion
Fri	31st Dec	9.00am	Celebration of the Word & Communion
Sat	1st Jan	6.30pm	Joe & Molly Turnbull <i>Mary the Mother of God</i>
Sun	2nd Jan	9.00am	The Parishioners
		11.00am	Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: On request only
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, 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, Mike O'Hare & Peter Cloney

ALL who have died recently, especially Margaret Wheeler

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick Devaney, John Quinn, Ellen Dolan, Delia Sant, Mary Bennion, Frank Meriandelli, Elizabeth French, Roy Thackwell, Dominic Jordan, Maureen O'Brien, Edward Marks, Patrick Flynn, Josef Poziemski, Sarah Dale, Margaret Raftery, John Kelly, John Marmion, Kenneth Robinson, Rev Lawrence Watson, Rt Rev William Eric Grasar, Rev Paul Glendinning, Rev David Austin Smith

Items needed by the Foodbank: Tinned ham, Custard, Rice pudding, Macaroni cheese, Ravioli, Spaghetti in tomato sauce, Tinned vegetables, Tinned potatoes, Fruit juice, Tea & Coffee. Food can now be left in the box in St Mary's church porch. **Carrier Bags & Bags for Life urgently needed.**

N.B. The wearing of masks in church is now a legal requirement unless you are medically exempt

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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. This week there will be no office hours, but any messages will be dealt with daily. If you need an urgent response please contact Deacon Chris or Deacon Tony.

It seems very likely that more restrictions will have to be imposed by the government. We have no idea what these may be or when they may apply, but will let you know as soon as possible

SYNOD 2021-2023: A separate two sided sheet is still available , giving details of parish meetings Please take a copy home and read it. The info is also on the website. Do watch this space as it will be updated regularly with dates, venues and news regarding the Synod process. For more information please contact Peter de Vere. Tel 07831 893781

Caritas Shrewsbury, who support vulnerable families in our Diocese throughout the year, are having their annual Christmas appeal. You can give still online by scanning the poster at church. We have sent £112 collected so far and there will be a basket for more contributions in front of the crib as usual.

CAFOD is combining efforts with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. In Afghanistan, 8 million people are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. CAFOD is supporting sister Caritas agencies to reach communities most in need with food, clean water, and fuel. During Advent, when we open ourselves to the needs of others, let's do all that we can to save lives. You can donate on the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal and please pray for the people of Afghanistan. **There is a basket at both churches for donations.** £323.16 given so far.

A Message from Mary's Meals

From November to January, every gift given to Mary's Meals will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1.6m. This means a gift of just £15.90 will feed, not one, but two children, a life-changing daily school meal for a whole school year! Your kindness brings joy to more than two million children around the world who we serve – including those affected by natural disasters, conflict and the ongoing Covid pandemic. For more information, please visit www.marysmeals.org.uk

Before we had chance to send the cheque to Mary's meals, a further £120 was donated, making a total of £1,255. When doubled this will feed 158 children for a year. Well done everyone! Any further donations received before the end of January will also be doubled!

