

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

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Second Sunday of Easter 24th April 2022

Sat	23rd Apr	6.30pm	Louise Turnbull Anniv.
Sun	24th Apr	9.00am	Priest's Int
		11.00am	The Parishioners
		2.00pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet/ Confessions
		3.00pm	Divine Mercy Mass
Mon	25th Apr	11.00am	Requiem Mass for Hugh Ward St Mark
		6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	26th Apr	9.00am	Peter Hannon St George
Wed	27th Apr	7.30pm	John Bomford Anniv.
Thurs	28th Apr	9.00am	(School) Ints of Geoff & Anne
Fri	29th Apr	9.00am	People of Ukraine St Catherine of Siena
Sat	30th Apr	6.30pm	Lily Costello B'day
Sun	1st May	9.00am	The Parishioners
		11.00am	Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm
 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, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Paul Hughes, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Jose Perez-Garcia.



ALL who have died recently, especially Hugh Ward & Michael Young

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time : Cicely Sant, Lawrence Lynch, 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, Canon Patrick J Egan. Rev Denis O'Sullivan, Rev Michael Barry

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We are once again very short of Mass Intentions. This seems to happen about every six months! Mass can be celebrated for the living or dead. Why not give someone a birthday mass or have a mass for someone you worry about. As most of you now know, Mass intentions are essential for paying Fr Peter's stipend, along with offerings for Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings

We are taking another step on the road to normality this week by returning to the regular celebration of Thursday 9.00am Mass in the Chapel in St Mary's School. Anyone who wishes is welcome to join us.

The Craft Group meets this Thursday at 2.00pm until 4.00pm in room 1 in the Parish Centre. This is a small, very friendly group. Why not join us?

Synod Update: Recent statement by the Bishop: All of the written responses which have been submitted have been worked on by a team of eight people; one priest and seven lay people. The Bishop presented his discernment in a Liturgy of the Word and Eucharistic Adoration at the Cathedral on 3rd April. A document with the synthesis and discernment has been sent to all parishes and will be discussed at meetings after Easter **Our Next Steps:** To continue the listening and dialogue beyond this process with our priest and deacons in order to develop a local parish plan. All parishioners, including Synodal participants, will be invited to form a Synod steering group to develop and implement our parish plan. Please watch out for dates in the bulletin over the next few weeks.

Holmes Chapel Christian Aid Group - DEC Ukraine Appeal

We are sure that, like us, you are appalled by what is happening in the Ukraine. If you are wondering what you can do to help, we have set up an online Donations page feeding directly into the Christian Aid DEC Ukraine Appeal and can be found on this link:

<https://giving.give-star.com/online/christian-aid/holmes-chapel-dec-ukraine-appeal>

Please share the online link with family and friends who may also wish to help by donating to this most awful humanitarian disaster which is almost beyond understanding and comprehension.

If you have not yet picked up your New Collection Envelopes they will be available from now on by contacting the Parish Office. (They cannot be left in church because of data protection rules) If you wish to start using Offer-tory Envelopes or Gift Aiding your donations or giving by Standing Order, please contact Ken Worthington worthingtonkr@gmail.com

Many thanks to all who helped in the organisation and celebration of Easter. It was great to be back to "normal" and to see so many people in church on Easter Sunday. Let us continue to gather to celebrate in the joy of the risen Lord.

CAFOD: Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal: CAFOD's sister organisation Caritas Ukraine and other caritas agencies in neighbouring countries are already on the ground helping people affected by this conflict. They are working to provide food, blankets and warm clothes to families forced to leave everything behind. Please donate to the appeal at: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis>

Mothers' Prayers meets every Friday after Mass in room 4 in the Parish Centre. Anyone is welcome to come and pray with us. There is a box at the back of church for anyone to place a prayer petition in. All requests are treated in the strictest confidence of course.

Foodbank Shortages this week: Coffee, Tinned Pulses, Rice Pudding, Noodles (pot noodles, egg noodles etc.) UHT Milk, UHT Fruit Juice. Thank you for your generosity

