

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

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Second Sunday of Advent, 4th December 2022

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| Sat | 3rd Dec | 6.30pm | Jane Laverack Anniv <i>St Francis Xavier</i> |
| Sun | 4th Dec | 9.00am 11.00am | (H Chapel) Priest's Int The Parishioners |
| Mon | 5th Dec | 9.00am. 6.30pm | Veronica Taylor Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Tues | 6th Dec | 9.00am | DRF France/Howman Families |
| Wed | 7th Dec | 7.30pm | Ints of McAleer Family <i>St Ambrose</i> |
| Thurs | 8th Dec | 9.00am 12.00pm | (School) Special Int: Holbrook <i>Immaculate Conception of B.V.M</i> Wedding of Bonnie Hannifin & Nevada Smith |
| Fri | 9th Dec | 9.00am | Annette Morris b'day |
| Sat | 10th Dec | 6.30pm | The Parishioners |
| Sun | 11th Dec | 9.00am 11.00am | (H Chapel) Pat & Peter B'day Priest's Int. |

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm & 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, Gillian Robinson, Tim Bradbury, Peter Hannon, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Jean Royle, Cath Price, Norma Cassidy, Lawrence Glenn



ALL who have died recently, especially Mgr. Peter O'Neill

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time : Sylvia Clarke, Franciska Jeglic, Larry Porter, Annie O'Donnell, Ann Smith, Denis Kenny, Annie Howman, Hilda Morris, Edith Duffy, Basil Mannion, Bernard McDermott, John Egan, Denis Charles Magee, Doris Bannaghan, Thomas James Bowen, Tess Haney, Charles Regan, Alfred Francis Barry, Mary Jane Down, Margaret Trelfa, Helen Patterson.

Christmas Services this year will be :
Christmas Eve 6.00pm Carols ,6.30pm First Mass
of Christmas,10.30pm Mass during the Night.
(both at St Mary's)
Christmas Day 9.00am Mass at St Margaret's
11.00am Mass at St Mary's.

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There is a list of Raffle Prizewinners on the Notice Board at both churches and in the Parish Centre. The Raffle raised £426. Thank you to those who donated prizes and sold and bought tickets

Donations to Mary's Meals between now and the end of January will be doubled by private donors, so let's see what we can do to help!

HOLMES CHAPEL CHRISTMAS MARKET Sunday 4th December. 3pm - 7pm. As last year the road in front of St. Luke's will be closed to traffic and open for the Market Stalls. Churches Together have a stall with a free game for children and Christmas Stories for adults. PLEASE be willing to help man the Stall for a ½hour slot. Thank you very much.

Collection today for Caritas Shrewsbury-Basket at back of church or give on line. Last week's collection for Priests' Education Fund raised £223.13. Thank you

Recent Fundraisers: Bacon Butties raised £95 and Cake Stall £58.20 for parish Funds. Craft Stall raised £83.70 for Mary's Meals Thank you for your help with this

Foodbank Shortages this week: Tinned or packet Custard, UHT Milk, tinned Vegetables, Sponge puddings., Angel Delight, Fruit Juice .

Parish Fatima Pilgrimage 2023: Dcn Chris & Fr Peter are organising a pilgrimage to Fatima for Oct 4th-11th next year. The itinerary is excellent (see poster at back of church). Cost is £799pp Full Board. It may seem a long way off but there is a £100 discount if you book and pay early. 50 places available. Contact Dcn Chris for booking forms(stmarysmiddlewich@events@gmail.com)

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Our Scripture Group is taking place on Tuesdays at 7.00pm. We meet for about an hour using Zoom. If you would like to join the group please contact Deacon Chris (deaconchriswells@gmail.com)

YOU ARE A GIFT: Unwrapping theology of the body through the catechism. Saturday 10th December, St Wilfrid's Northwich. See poster for details or email tobnetworkuk@gmail.com

CAFOD World Gifts are a range of virtual ethical charity gifts that will give delight at Christmas to the people you give them to and help transform the lives of families and communities living in poverty. Gifts start from as little as £4. There's something for everyone, with gifts for gardeners, animal lovers, teachers, entrepreneurs - the list goes on! Catalogues and further details are available at the back of church or go to cafod.org.uk/worldgifts

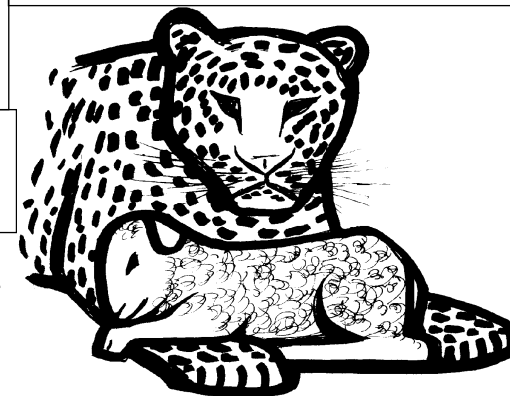
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| Wednesday | 8.15pm | Advent Presentation by Sr Ruth | This Week |
| Thursday | 1.00pm | Craft Group | Parish Centre Room 1 |
| Friday | 9.45am | Mothers' Prayers | Parish Centre room 1 |
| Friday | 10.00am | Parents & Tots | Parish Centre Room 4 |
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This Wednesday after 7.30pm Mass, Sr Ruth will give an Advent Presentation, in Room 1 in the Parish Centre, focussing on the Finding in the Temple as a way to look at the Incarnation. This will be followed by refreshments

CHRISTMAS IS COMING (AGAIN)
 A celebration of the customs & traditions of the season in verse, Music & Song, by Wendy Nugent & Joy Naylor. Saturday 10th December at 7.30pm in Middlewich Community Centre. Admission £10. Pay at door, cash or cheque only. Details from Roger Evans 01606 834471

On Monday 19th December St Mary's children will sing carols and decorate the tree in St Mary's Church, followed by refreshments, stalls and Fr Christmas in the parish centre. Please come along to support the children and have a good sing!

'The Letter' is a new documentary, available free on YouTube (just search 'the Letter Pope Francis'). It is based on Laudato Si and features Pope Francis, an indigenous leader from the Amazon, a climate refugee, a student from Senegal, a young activist from India and a team of scientists from the US as they meet with the Pope at the Vatican to discuss the ecological crisis.



Best wishes to Bonnie Hannifin and Nevada Smith who will be married at St Mary's this Thursday at 12.00pm

