

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

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 29th January 2023

Sat	28th Jan	6.30pm	Priest's Int. <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>
Sun	29th Jan	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Christine Pickles Anniv. The Parishioners
Mon	30th Jan	9.00am 6.30pm	Private Int. Y Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	31st Jan	9.00am	Jennifer O'Reilly RIP <i>St John Bosco</i>
Wed	1st Feb	7.30pm	Margaret Kettle RIP
Thurs	2nd Feb	9.00am	(School) Betty Hickland RIP <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>
Fri	3rd Feb	9.00am	Private Int. P <i>St Werburgh</i>
Sat	4th Feb	6.30pm	Alan Woodbine & Ronnie Dickenson
Sun	5th Feb	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners 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, Joan Upton, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Jean Royle, Cath Price, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Annette Morris



ALL who have died recently, especially Ivor Roberts, Betty Hickland, Canon John Marmion & Shirley Gaskell

whose anniversaries occur at this time: Harry Bailey, Tess Hough, Wilfrid Cooper, Bill Costello, Lily

ALL Cesario, Dr James Murphy, Brian Kelly, Ethel Mann, Margaret Ryder, Elizabeth O'Brien, Lilian Whittaker, John McHugh, Daniel Nugent, Bridie Devaney, Jane Whittingham, Noreen Lanahan, Thomas Roland Kettle, Violet Riley, Maureen Hopkin, Florence Roberts, Gabriel O'Reilly, Rev John Frederick Thompson, Canon John McHugh.

CAFOD's Big Lent Walk

This Lent, challenge yourself and take on CAFOD's Big Lent Walk! Walk when and where you choose over 40 days, alone or with friends. Raise money to help people as they overcome poverty. Sign up here! <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

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Are you affected by someone else's drinking?

You are not alone. Find out more at www.alanonuk.org.uk or call the helpline 0800 0086811.

We have received thank you emails from Mary's Meals and Caritas. There is a poster from Caritas at the back of church. Due to rising transport & fertiliser prices, the cost for Mary's meals of feeding a child for a year has risen to £19.15 or 10p per meal per child Still an unbelievable achievement, feeding nearly 2.5 million children

Foodbank Shortages: Cordial/squash, UHT Fruit Juice, tinned Potatoes & carrier bags. Thank you

How to get help from Middlewich and District Foodbank

No one should face going hungry in our community. Middlewich & District Foodbank provides emergency food and support to local people. People can go hungry because of redundancy, illness, an unexpected bill, low income and a simple box of food can make a big difference. If you or someone you know is hungry and needs an emergency food parcel, contact Dominic in person at St Mary's Church or email: dominic.chawner@gmail.com . Dominic will then contact the Foodbank on your behalf and they will get in touch with you regarding the collection day and any dietary requirements.

The church relies on people getting involved. Our church, our world needs you. Could your New Year's resolution be getting more involved in the life of our church? What aspects of church brings you life or joy? Could you give a bit of time to help those parts flourish? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, bringing people together to help build a better world or help by visiting local schools? Or raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the diocese? Could you support local volunteers or share your office skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. ed.cafod.org.uk/ [Volunteer](http://Volunteer.cafod.org.uk/) for more information or get in touch with shrewsbury@cafod.org.uk or 07920 232936"

Due to unforeseen circumstances the January Community Mass & lunch did not take place. We look forward to seeing you all when we hold the next one in February

The next Men's breakfast will be held at MCC in Brook's Lane on Saturday 4th February at 9.00am. Speaker is Robert Mountford. For more info ring 01606 835928 or see www.middlewich.org

Bills: We have now received the parish Electricity bills for December which came to over £800. With the gas bills of £2,776 this comes to over £3,500, which is approximately double our monthly income. It doesn't need an accountant to see that this cannot continue! Please pray for an increase in income and warmer weather, or you may have to come to church dressed for the ski slopes!

Parish Fatima Pilgrimage 2023: Dcn Chris & Fr Peter are organising a pilgrimage to Fatima for Oct 4th-11th this 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(stmarysmiddlewichevents@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.

This weekend the annual Collection for the Retired Priests' Fund will be held. There is a basket at the back of both churches. With your help, we can build up the Fund to help meet the future needs of our sick and retired priests. If you wish to Gift Aid your donation, please make your donation Online. To donate Online please go to www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/retired-priests-fund. An electronic version of a leaflet about the Fund is available at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/retired-priests-fund and this also explains how you can donate to the Fund by Standing Order or Cheque (please make payable to Retired Priests' Fund) and how to Gift Aid donations made using these methods. The leaflet will also be put on the parish website

This Week

Monday	6.00pm	PEP Children	PC Rooms 2 & 3
Wednesday	8.15pm	RCIA	PC Room 1
Thursday	1.00pm	Craft group	PC Room 1
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	PC Room 4
Friday	10.00am	Toddler Group	PC Rooms 2 & 3