

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

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## First Sunday of Lent, 26th February 2023

Sat	25th Feb	6.30pm	<b>The Parishioners</b>
Sun	26th Feb	9.00am 11.00am	<b>(H Chapel) ) Priest's Int. Angela &amp; Don Dutton Annivs.</b>
Mon	27th Feb	9.00am 6.30pm	<b>DRF Curbison Family Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Tues	28th Feb	9.00am	<b>Dec Mem. Jones Family</b>
Wed	1st Mar	7.00pm 7.30pm	<b>Stations of the Cross Damian Comer St David</b>
Thurs	2nd Mar	9.00am	(school) <b>John &amp; Anne Ford, Annivs.</b>
Fri	3rd Mar	9.00am	<b>Celebration of the Word &amp; Communion</b>
Sat	4th Mar	10.30am 6.30pm	<b>Eucharistic Adoration with Lenten Prayer Mel Scott Anniv.</b>
Sun	5th Mar	9.00am 11.00am	<b>(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.</b>

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, Joan Hartley, Edward Evans

ALL who have died recently, especially Jimmy Taylor

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Winifred Reid, Bernard McManus, Catherine Higgins, Roger Cregg, Tom Stoneley, John Rush, Agnes Lester, Brenda Wakefield, Ronald Francis McLoughlin, Patrick O'Shea, Francis Costello, James Ruane, Michael Jennings, Maurice Henry Jones, Harry Beaver, Catherine Clarke, Carola Murphy, Sheila Higginson, Christine Flynn, Amy Murphy, Rev Henry E G Rope, Rev Bernard Lyons

Friday 3rd March. Women's World Day of Prayer. "I have heard about your faith" Service prepared by the women of Taiwan at Goostrey Methodist Church at 7.00pm. All welcome.

Foodbank Shortages: Angel Delight, jelly, sponge puddings, toilet rolls cuppa soup, jam, UHT Juice.  
**Message to Fr P. from Nicky Harris, project coordinator:** Thank you so much for your help over the last year. During 2022 you kindly donated 656 kg of food which equates to 1458 meals. I am sure you would agree that this is an amazing amount but without you and your congregation supporting us, the amount of donations we receive simply would be nothing like the amount we rely on to help those in need within the community. Thank you for always thinking of us, supporting us and being there for the food bank and the community.

**CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal** CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>

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**Lenten Programme:** Saturdays 25th Feb, 4th, 11th & 18th March, Exposition and Lenten reflections, 10.30-11.30am at St Mary's, followed by Reconciliation. Saturday 2nd April Reconciliation at St Margaret's 11.00am-12.00. Wednesdays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March, Stations of the Cross, 7.00pm at St Mary's, followed by Mass. Stations of the Cross at St Margaret's, Thursdays at 2.00pm. Stations of the Cross for Children, Sunday 12th March at 3.00pm at St Mary's, followed by refreshments. Penitential Service at St Mary's, Monday 20th March at 7.30pm.

**CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal: Friday 3rd March:** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today using the envelope or at [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give) and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

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](mailto:stmarysmiddlewichevents@gmail.com))

## HOLMES CHAPEL ECUMENICAL CHRISTIAN AID GROUP

### Home Made Soup Lunches and Music Recital

**What** Soup Lunch - homemade soups, bread, homemade biscuits or fresh fruit and tea or coffee served from **12noon till 1.00 pm**

**When** Weekly for 4 Fridays of March - from 3<sup>rd</sup> March to 24<sup>th</sup> March 23

**Where** St Luke's Church Hall, Holmes Chapel

Pay on the door - **£5.00 per person**. For many years now, Holmes Chapel Christian Aid Committee has organised a home-made soup lunch during Lent. **Each of the lunches will be followed by a Music Recital at St Lukes Church, starting at 1.15pm**



**An online course on Vatican II:** In response to Synodal Submissions, the Diocese is offering a series of short podcasts throughout Lent. Accessible on the diocesan website at [dioceseofshrewsbury.org](http://dioceseofshrewsbury.org) they are not time-bound and may be listened to anytime. You will also find **handouts** there on various topics, whilst a **leaflet** outlining the content of the recordings is available in the parish. If you have difficulty accessing this material or have any other questions, don't hesitate to call Barbara Davies on 07730 526821

World Youth Day Lisbon 2023 WYD is the largest international gathering of young people. It is held every three years being first established by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1985. As a diocese we have a limited amount of places booked, for those aged 18 – 35, at the cost of £1,200 which is inclusive of meals, travel, accommodation, and World Youth Day passes. For any questions, or an application form, contact: [clare.williams@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:clare.williams@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

St Monica's Primary School Appleton are advertising for a Deputy Head for September, contact school office StMonica\_Primary@sch.warrington.gov.uk to arrange to visit, See [www.stmonicasprimary.co.uk](http://www.stmonicasprimary.co.uk) for application forms. See details on notice boards at both churches

"Spring Song", a relaxed recital of songs & duets, followed by tea & cake. Helena Leonard, Soprano, Judith Tinston, Mezzo, Wendy Nugent, piano. Sun 5th March, 3.00pm at St Mary's. Tickets £10 from St Mary's (01606 832359), at the door or L J Little dancewear, 99 Chester Rd Northwich, 01606 75770

### This Week

Monday	6.00pm	PEP Patents & Children	PC Rooms 1,2,3
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