

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

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Sixth Sunday of Easter, 14th May 2023

Sat	13th May	6.30pm	Mary Costello, b'day
Sun	14th May	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel))Priest's Int. The Parishioners
Mon	15th May	9.00am 6.30pm	Abigail Witchalls & Family Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.30pm
Tues	16th May	9.00am	Annette Morris RIP
Wed	17th May	7.30pm	Pam Morgan RIP Vigil of the Ascension
Thurs	18th May	9.15am 12.30pm	(School) Holbrook Ints (H Chapel) The Parishioners
Fri	19th May	9.00am	Eileen Bentham RIP St Milburga
Sat	20th May	6.30pm	Mary Hannon b'day
Sun	21st May	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm
 Sacrament of Baptism: By arrangement

Please Pray for



ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, Gillian Robinson, 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, Edward Evans, Fred Trim, John Lewis.

ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Margaret Jordan, John Spilsbury, Audrey Buddle, Mary Basford, Christopher Fear, Margaret Morris, John Hough, Emilia Anna Killinger, Ann Richards, Philip Gregory, James Moore, George Edward Fisher, Tom O'Connor, Rose Campbell, Patrick McCarthy, Mark McEnaney, Ivan Singleton, Thomas Thwaites, Mary Williams, Rev Frederick Robinson, Rev John Murphy, Mgr Canon Christopher Lightbound, Rev John Brady, Rev Gerald T Courell, Rev James Farrell, Rev Francis Yates

Foodbank Shortages: Crackers, Cordial Crisps, Tinned Fruit, Bars of Soap, Liquid Hand Soap. Thank you. We are looking for someone who can spare an hour a month to help Middlewich and District Foodbank to do food collections in Asda, Winsford. If you have a free hour please contact Nicky at Foodbank on 07712 279 949

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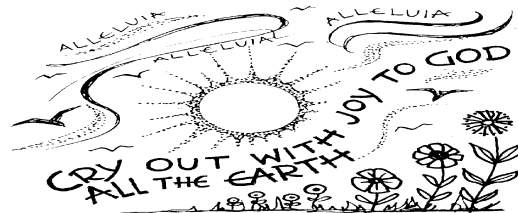
St Joseph's (Winsford) & St Mary's RC Church (Middlewich) are again joining together to deliver a **Confirmation programme** this year. Anyone who will be in Yr 9 (or Older) when they go back to school in September 2023, who has been Baptised and wants to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please send an email to stmarysmiddlewichevents@gmail.com to receive details on how to enrol. Requests are needed ASAP. If you know of anyone please pass this information to them.

Please sign the list at the back of both churches today if you would like to come to the next Community Mass & Lunch on 22nd May.

On Wednesday evenings at 8.15pm, Fr Peter will be showing episodes of The Chosen, series 3, in Room 1 in the Parish Centre. Each episode lasts approx. 1 hour. All welcome

Online course on Vatican II: Part III The Church. Thank you to the many people who have been in touch to say how helpful they find the reflections on Vatican II. We continue **Part III On The Church** by asking the question: **'Who is the Church?'** The Council's answer is given in **Lumen Gentium Chaps 1 and 2, taken together.** The relevant **podcast** and **handout** are now available on the diocesan website at dioceseofshrewsbury.org in the section on **'News and Events'**. A **leaflet** outlining the content of all of the podcasts is available in the parish. If you have difficulty accessing this material or have questions and reflections, please don't hesitate to contact barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or T: 07730 526821.

Vocations Weekend for Women (20s & 30s) Theme: Discerning God's Call in your life. Dates: 26-28 May 2023. Location Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). **Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you.** If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. **For more information contact Sr Lynne fcj at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org**



Next Sunday is World Communications day. There will be a special collection for the work of the Bishops' Conference



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

14th-21st MAY 2023

This Christian Aid Week Holmes Chapel Christian Aid Group stands alongside

the most poor and needy around the world. No mum should have the heart-breaking choice of which child to educate and which one will miss out on their dreams. No hard-working young person should be forced to give up on education, locking them into poverty. We dream of a better world. We imagine a future where crops are not flattened by cyclones and washed away by floods. Together, we can help people secure a better future for their families, giving them the chance to achieve their potential and allowing everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. Join us this Christian Aid Week and help turn hunger into hope.

On Sunday May 14th, there will be a United service for Christian Aid at Holmes Chapel Methodist Church at 10.30am. Christel Langdon-Griffiths from Christian Aid will be speaking about the charity's work and all are welcome.

Red Envelopes for your donations will be available in church or you can donate using this link online:

<https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/holmes-chapel-christian-aid-group-2023>
 Alternatively, cheques payable to Christian Aid can be sent to Anne O'Keefe, 89 Needham Drive, Cranage CW4 8FB
 Thank you for your ongoing support for Christian Aid.

This Sunday at 11.00am is the second of our two Masses at which our children will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time. Please pray for them as they take this important step in their Sacramental Life.

This Week

Wednesday	8.15pm	The Chosen	Parish Centre Room 1
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	Parish Centre Room 4
Friday	10.00am	Toddler Group	Parish Centre Rooms 2,3