

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

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**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th October 2023**

Sat	28th Oct	6.30pm	<b>Priest's Int</b> <i>Ss Simon &amp; Jude</i>
Sun	29th Oct	9.00am 11.00am	<b>(H Chapel) Joan Hartley RIP</b> <b>The Parishioners</b>
Mon	30th Oct	9.00am	<b>Bernie &amp; Patrick Ryan</b>
Tues	31st Oct	9.00am	<b>Thanksgiving JB</b>
Wed	1st Nov	9.15am 1.00pm 7.30pm	<b>(School) Priest's Int</b> <b>(H Chapel) The Parishioners All Saints</b> <b>Michael Hannon b'day</b>
Thurs	2nd Nov	9.00am	<b>The Faithful Departed</b> <i>Commemoration of All Faithful Departed</i>
Fri	3rd Nov	9.00am 7.00pm	<b>Marilyn Kettle RIP St Winefride</b> <b>Mass of Confirmation</b>
Sat	4th Nov	6.30pm	<b>The Parishioners</b> <i>St Charles Borromeo</i>
Sun	5th Nov	9.00am 11.00am	<b>(H Chapel) Priest's Int</b> <b>Alison Browne Anniv.</b>

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

### Please Pray for

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, John McEnaney, Terry Rosiak, Mike Hough.

who have died recently.

whose anniversaries occur at this time: Eric Gordon, Hannah May Nehrlich, Mary Allen, Alexandra Jenkins, Ken Gallimore, Dorothy Davies, John McAlinden, Thomas Eric Taylor, Dennis McGorty, Will Orchard, Phyllis Fahey, Kathleen Carter, Leanne Collins, Barbara Telfer, Philip Dutton, Phillip Shales, Mary Tully, Brian Millington, Maria Quimm, Betty Nulty, Rev Charles McKinney, Rev Edward O'Dwyer, Canon George Higgins, Rev Francis Connolly, Canon James Fraser

We welcome into our Parish Family Lennon James Hawkin who will be Baptised this Sunday



Middlewich & District Foodbank: This week's shortages: Jam, Crisps, Angel Delight, Rice Pudding, UHT Fruit Juice

Prayer to St Michael to pray for the war situation in the Ukraine and in the Holy Land. Every Thursday evening at 6pm on Zoom. Topic: St Michael Chaplet. Time: Every Thursday evening at 6pm. Join Zoom Meeting. <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/9458449456?pwd=Ym15NEl2UXNrelhncFpGc3JFNTlwdz09> Meeting ID: 945 844 9456 Passcode: MICHAEL

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**Parish Finances:** Thank you to those who have increased their weekly giving. The September bank statements showed an increase of almost £2,000 in our reserves, but we are still £1,500 below what we had at the same time last year, when we almost went bankrupt due to the fuel bills, so we still need more to be secure. The weather has been kind until now but we now need the heating on again. Please be prepared to close all doors and wear an extra garment as we shall need to run the systems at a lower temperature than last year.

The Diocese is looking to recruit a **Director of Property** due to retirement. The role of the Director of Property within the Diocese is to provide leadership, vision, professional advice and strategic direction, to support the Bishop and Diocesan Trustees in their oversight and management of the Diocesan Property Portfolio. Further details can be found at <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> completed applications should be sent to [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org). Closing date **10 November 2023**.

**Community Lunch Dates:** The next Community Lunch will be on Monday 13th November after midday Mass. Please sign up on the list at the back of church. For your diaries: The Christmas meal will be on Monday 4th December

**Israel/Palestine Crisis :Email the Foreign Secretary today** Will you email the Foreign Secretary to urge the UK to play its part in upholding international law, ensuring humanitarian aid can reach people in need, and works with other world leaders to secure a lasting peace for the region? Visit [www.cafod.org.uk/campaign](http://www.cafod.org.uk/campaign)

**Hallowe'en Prayer Event:** Churches Together are holding a prayer event to pray against the influence of evil within our community over Hallowe'en. It will be held in St Michael's Church on **Tuesday 31st October, 7-8pm**. All are invited to join us as we pray and worship together in the name of Jesus Christ, before whom all the powers and authorities must ultimately bow.

Our Annual Mass for deceased parishioners and families will be celebrated on Wednesday 22nd November at 7.30pm and will be followed by light refreshments in the parish centre. Letters of invitation will be sent to the families of those who have died in the past year, but anyone is very welcome to come along to pray for friends and family

God of peace, bearer of hope,  
we seek your help  
for the peoples of the Middle East.  
Quiet the clamour of war  
and guide us towards peace.

Where there is hatred and division  
sow seeds of calm and openness.

Where there is destruction  
help us to rebuild.

Where children are crying  
bring an end to tears.

Shelter your peoples and protect them  
Guide them and keep them from harm.

Show us how to break down the barriers of  
history and fear and breathe whispers of hope.

Amen. Linda Jones / CAFOD



This Week		
Monday	5.45pm	PEP Parents & Children
Monday	7.00pm	Reconciliation for Confirmation Candidates St Mary's
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers
Friday	10.00am	Toddler Group
Friday	7.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation
		Parish Centre rooms 1,2,3
		Parish Centre room 4
		Parish Centre rooms 2,3
		St Mary's