

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

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4th February 2024

Sat	3rd Feb	6.30pm	Alan Woodbine & Ron Dickenson,
Sun	4th Feb	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest Int. The Parishoners
Mon	5th Feb	9.00am 6.30pm	Don Jones RIP, St Agatha Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	6th Feb	9.00am	Edna Roe b'day, St Paul & Companions
Wed	7th Feb	7.30pm	Michael Hannon b'day
Thurs	8th Feb	9.00am	(school) Briege Sheppard
Fri	9th Feb	9.00am	Geordie McDade Anniv.
Sat	10th Feb	6.30pm	Priest's Int., St Scholastica
Sun	11th Feb	9.00 am 11.00 am	(H Chapel) The Parishoners Jane Laverack b'day

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm & on request
 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 , John McEnaney, Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor



ALL who have died recently, especially Terry Rosiak,

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Violet Riley, Maureen Hopkin, Florence Roberts, Gabriel O'Reilly, Peter Costello, Martin Ruddy, Fr James Molloy, Patrick O'Gorman, John Nolan, Agnes Griffiths, Basil Greenwood, Margaret Tillier, Julia Hazell, Philip Dunn, Marjorie Pointer, Winifred Wells, Leonard Van Hove, Catherine Cannon, Fr John Ryan, Winefride Costello, James Hussey, Carmen Lanni, John Galbraith, Patricia Ward, Martha Frances Harkes, Mary Slater, Mary Elden, Rev James Harding, Mgr Provost Henry Kelly, Rev Terence Coyne, Rev John A Lyons, Canon William C T Briscoe OBE, Canon Edward Coonan

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**Walk Through The Bible
 Old Testament Live Event**
Arranged by St Michael & All Angels
 Venue St Mary RC School
 Saturday 2nd March 2024
 See poster at back of church for details
 For more info: Jeremy Coles
 07981051776

Due to boiler problems there is no community lunch in February. We are hoping to arrange one in March.

Loving 4 Life
 "Take time out to turn your marriage into a great marriage"
 Shrewsbury Diocese ongoing formation for sacramental marriage
 See poster at back of church for details

Parish Finances: Emergency

Heating Update: we have just been told that installation of the new boiler and associated works will begin in the middle of the coming week, and that the cost will be £4,000. Once again we have to appeal to your generosity. There will be a box at the back of St Mary's for donations. Anyone wishing to give other than by cash, please make cheques to St Mary's Middlewich or see Molly for other ways to donate. Although we have the money in the account to pay for this work, we shall need it for fuel costs in the next four months, as we know from last year.

If you value the facilities that we have as a parish in having a parish hall, please do what you can to help. In this case warm and generous hearts will result in warm and comfortable bodies! **Thank you for the £250 donated so far but !!! You now know how much we need!!!**

HOLMES CHAPEL CHRISTMAS CARD. HELP PLEASE

Churches Together would like a person/ persons to help with the annual Christmas Card. It involves sourcing a card and arranging for Print and delivery. Plenty of information available

Please contact Bren Shackleton
 07739388714. Thank you

**Ash Wednesday 14th February 2024.
 Walk of Witness for Peace, Repentance and Reconciliation.**

Assemble from 1.15pm on steps of St Luke's 'bombed out church' at the top of Bold St, Liverpool L1 2TR. The walk starts at 1.30pm, with Stations of the Cross at the Statue of Reconciliation, in Church St (where ashes will be distributed) Lord St and the Town Hall. We walk in support of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and for peace in Ukraine /Russia, Palestine/ Israel and in our City. Organised by Merseyside Pax Christi. Contact: Jan Harper 07591082195 email janharper20211@outlook.com



Diocesan Choir Festival – 'Sing a New Song' You are invited to come along and sing as part of a diocesan choir. Learn music throughout the day and lead the singing for Mass at 5pm. We will learn Schutz: Praise to you Lord Jesus, Schubert: Mass in G and more, on Saturday 24 February, 10.30am-4.30pm with Mass beginning at 5pm. At St Anthony's, Dunkery Road, Woodhouse Park, Wythenshawe, M22 0WR. Refreshments and registration from 10.30am, rehearsals begin at 11am. Tea and coffee will be provided, please bring a packed lunch. The cost is £5 per person, payable on the day. Book by completing the form at [HTTP://TINYURL.COM/diocesanchoirfestival](http://tinyurl.com/diocesanchoirfestival) The deadline for bookings is Friday 16 February. For more information contact reception@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

There are two pilgrimages to Lourdes by Jumbulance in 2024 from Shrewsbury departing from Wirral and Chester. A Jumbulance is literally a Jumbo-Ambulance. It has seven beds on board, spacious seating, an accessible toilet and kitchen. We can take very sick or disabled pilgrims including those needing palliative care including cancer, MND, MS, stroke, etc. We stay in a four star hotel with excellent facilities to care for them and recruit a team of nurses and helpers to do so. The experience for younger helpers is good for the CV, especially those considering a career in health or social care. We all do a DBS. Everyone must be COVID vaccinated. The dates are Thu 30th May to Sat 8th June and Thu 15th to Sat 24th August. The cost is £1,095 and, as a charity, we are all asked to pay. However, nurses and young helpers under 25 in FTE, pay half. We do fund raising to help support those who cannot afford the full amount. Travel Insurance is available at just £70, which is a snip for those with multiple health problems!

		This Week	
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	Parish Centre Room 4
Friday	10.00am	Toddler Group	Parish Centre Room 2,3