

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

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Seventh Sunday of Easter, 5th May 2024

Sat	11th May	6.30pm	Monica Hulse 25th anniv.
Sun	12th May	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Ints.
Mon	13th May	12.00pm	Sandra Flynn anniv.
Tues	14th May	9.00am	Fred Trim anniv. St Matthias
Wed	15th May	7.30pm	Kevin McNeil RIP
Thurs	16th May	9.00am	<i>(School)</i> Ken Comboy RIP
Fri	17th May	9.00am	Fr. Martin Chambers RIP
Sat	18th May	6.30pm	Peter Hannon
Sun	19th May	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's Ints. The Parishioners

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, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Edward Evans , John McEnaney, Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor,

ALL who have died recently



ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Veronica Kavanagh, Terry Hopton, Sandra Flynn, John Gregg, James King, Margaret Jordan, John Spilsbury, Audrey Buddle, Fred Trim, 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, Rev Frederick Robinson, Rev John Murphy, Mgr Canon Christopher Lightbound

Parish Finances

You may have noticed that we have stopped having the extra collection. This is because we have good news! The Parish account has finally recovered from the onslaught of the huge fuel bills. This is thanks to your ongoing generosity and increased giving. Everyone who can has responded to our appeal a year ago and now, provided we do not become complacent the account should remain in a healthy position! Thank you to you all for your kind support.

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Please pray for the children who will receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time this Sunday and next.

The Diocese is seeking to recruit a Director of Schools and applications are now open. Details of the role and the application process can be found at <https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/director-of-schools-birkenhead-2040730>

Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal in church today or at cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal Emergency appeal envelopes are available at the back of church if you wish to gift aid. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments, as well as rebuilding water pipelines so clean water can reach communities who need it. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Foodbank Collections Asda Winsford

Each event needs 3 people to stand in the entrance of the store and hand out a card with a shopping list on and then thank customers when they hand the food in on their way out. The day is broken into shifts from 9am to 4.30pm The dates are as follows:

**17th & 18th May
14th & 15th June**

We share these food collections with Mid Cheshire Foodbank and they bring in a lot of much needed food for both food banks.

The May collection will be short of volunteers as the Mid Cheshire volunteers are being used at another store. So if you could help at this one it would be amazing. Only important criteria is a smile!

To book yourself onto the rota: Go to <https://midcheshire-foodbank.appointedd.com>

Foodbank Shortages

UHT Fruit Juices
 Pasta sauce,
 Tinned potatoes,
 Packet mash



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12th-18th MAY 2024
This Sunday, there is a united service for Christian Aid at St Lukes Church at 10.30am. Christel Langdon-Griffiths, from Christian Aid will be speaking about its work during the service - all are welcome! Envelopes will be available at St Margaret's in Holmes Chapel on Sunday 12th May for your donation. Alternatively we hope that you may feel able to donate using this On-Line Platform specifically for Christian Aid Week found by using this link online:

<https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/holmes-chapel-christian-aid-week-2024>

Alternatively, cheques payable to Christian Aid can be sent to Caroline Wood, 53 Coniston Drive CW4 7LB or Anne O'Keefe, 89 Needham Drive Cranage CW4 8FB

Year of Prayer 2024

Come and join our online webinar with Sycamore. Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be a 'Year of Prayer', as a preparatory year for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get the most out of the prayer pathway on Sycamore! **On Wednesday 15th May 7pm-8pm.** Email Natalie Orefice for the link to join: Natalie.oreface@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

This year's Diocesan Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday June 8th, 12 noon at Saint Columba's Church Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA. If you have a significant anniversary this year (this would usually be - 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or a 1st wedding anniversary) and would like an invite please let the Parish office have the details.

YOUTH NIGHT at Middlewich Community Church . 9TH JUNE...

This event is open to all youth and youth groups. We have an ex-professional football player, Sammy Ameobi, coming to share about his journey with God whilst also being in the limelight and under the pressures of a footballer life. Our new Ignite Youth Band are looking forward to leading us in a time of Praise & Worship too. Please e-mail at info@middlewich.org to book your place.

This week

Sunday	11.00am	Celebration Mass for First Communion	St. Mary's
Monday	12.30pm	Community Lunch	Parish Centre 2,3
Friday	9.45am	Mothers' Prayers	Parish Centre 4
Friday	10.00am	Toddler Group	Parish centre 2,3