

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

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 21st July 2024

Sat	20th July	6.30pm	Tom O'Hare b'day
Sun	21st July	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's ints. The Parishioners
Mon	22nd July	9.00am 6.30pm	Don Jones RIP, St Mary Magdalene Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	23rd July	9.00am	Mary Kane RIP, St Bridget
Wed	24th July	7.30pm	George and Mary Stevens
Thurs	25th July	11.00am	Josie Riley Requiem Mass, St James
Fri	26th July	9.00am	Anne Casey b'day, Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed VM
Sat	27th July	6.30pm	Priest's ints
Sun	28th July	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Gav McAleer b'day

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.30am-12.15pm, and 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, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Edward Evans, Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor, Frank Holbrook.



ALL who have died recently, especially Josie Riley and Rev Anthony Cogliolo.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Arthur Wardle, Joan Kerr, Peggy Flynn, Margaret Maguire, Judith Fisher, Catherine Morrison, Anne Cull, Patrick Molloy, Christine Jennings, Jean O'Rourke, Catherine O'Sullivan, John Donohue, Joseph Hynes, Henry Aloysius Murphy, Diane Willemse, Mildred Wells, Jean Tunney, David Clarke, Mick Woodward, Dorothy Worthington, Provost John Burgon, Rev Gerard Corcoran.

A summer's evening with Fringe Comedian Mark Ritchie

St John's Byley are organising an event with the Cheshire Agricultural Chaplaincy on Sunday 18th August 2024 (7 for 7:30pm). It is a supper with entertainment from Mark Ritchie (a Christian comedian who regularly does the Edinburgh Fringe, and came to MCC for FAB). Full details are on poster/flyer.

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Important message

It has become obvious in recent months that the wall which fronts St Mary's Parish centre church and house is deteriorating rapidly. Some parts of it are now unsafe and needs urgent attention. We have contacted the Diocese for advice and been told to proceed with work to remedy the situation. This will begin as soon as the builder is available and unfortunately will be very costly. In the meantime please do not allow children to climb on the wall. Thank You

Parish Centre

Helen Armsden is retiring from her Parish Centre duties at the end of August. We would like to thank her for being such a star. Helen Duffy will take over the Parish Centre Booking duties and her contact details will be shared in due course. There will be a vacancy for a Parish Centre Cleaner and if you are interested then please contact Molly in the Parish office as soon as possible as we would like the vacancy to be filled within the next two weeks. The average hours needed are 18 to 20 per month and the pay is the Living Wage Rate.. If you would like more details then please contact Helen Armsden on her mobile 07500 061636 .

Thank You from the Foodbank

Thank you to your church for its continued support for the Middlewich and District Foodbank in 2024.

Last year your donations of food and money enabled us to give everyone referred to us a 3 day supply of balanced and nutritious food. In 2023 with our emergency food parcels we helped feed 1237 adults and 987 children, a total of 2224 people. We gave out 25.5 tonnes of food. This would not have been possible without your generosity and support. Thank you for being there for us and for local people in need.

Living Catholicism Today summer course, 1st – 4th August

How do we interpret the sources of Christian morality? Why is the Church 'obsessed' about human sexuality? What is the significance of the virtues? Part of the CHC's "Faith & Reason" series, this course will explore morality and the Christian life, with Dr Caroline Farey, Dr Andrew Beard and Stefan Kaminski. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason-series/>

Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly - Sunday 28th of July 2024

We will celebrate this day in honour of all grandparents and elderly members of our congregation next week. This is the closest Sunday to the feast of St Anne and St Joachim, which we celebrate the Friday before on the 26th of July 2024. Pope Francis has written a message especially for this occasion and the Diocese has created a booklet that includes his message and the prayer prepared for the day. Please pick up the booklet and prayer cards from the back of the Church and you will find other resources on the Diocesan website.

National Eucharistic Congress

On Saturday 14th September there will be a National Eucharistic Congress at St Mary's College, Oscott. Please see poster at the back of Church with details of the programme. Oscott was the venue for the first Eucharistic Procession since the Reformation. If you are interested in going you need to speak to Father Peter before the end of this Sunday.

This week

Friday 9.45am Mothers' Prayers Parish Centre 4