

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

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 11th August 2024

Sat	10th Aug	6.30pm	Lou Costello & Mike Casey <i>St Lawrence</i>
Sun	11th Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Priest's Int.
Mon	12th Aug	9.00am 6.30pm	Celebration of The Word and Communion Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	13th Aug	9.00am	Simon Coyne Sick
Wed	14th Aug	7.30pm	Thelma Woolridge b'day , <i>Vigil of Assumption</i>
Thurs	15th Aug	12.30pm	(H Chapel) Annie and George Howman , <i>Assumption of the BVM</i>
Fri	16th Aug	9.00am	John Devaney
Sat	17th Aug	6.30pm	The Parishioners
Sun	18th Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's ints John Stoneley

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Saturday 11.30am to 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, Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor, Frank Holbrook.,
 Rev Peter Burke



ALL who have died recently.

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Edward McGarvey Snr, Philip Darlington, Helen Elvins, Julia Popple, Margaret Gray, Mary Anne O'Hare, Alfred Clarke, John McNeela, John Sweeney, Harold Bagnall, Evelyn Davies, James Bannaghan, George Martin, Lucy Burns, Pater Farrington, Madeline Widgery, Richard Adderley, Peter Gallagher, Reg Hamblett, Thomas Maher, Leonard Elliott, Edna Roe, Rev Gregory Downing, Rev Denis Marmion, Rev John M Lyons, Rev Michael Raiswell, Rev Lawrence Pozzuoli, Rev John Blanc.

Parish Centre

On 1st September Helen Duffy will become booking secretary. Helen can be contacted on 07703813816 or by email at Thelenduffy@gmail.com. It is essential that all Parish Groups wishing to use the Parish Centre contact Helen at least a week before. Many thanks.

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Welcome to Father ViJay Bhupathi

For those who missed the announcement from Father Peter last week, Father Vijay will be replacing Father Peter here from Saturday 7th September onwards. Please be as helpful as you can to him as possible until he settles in and finds his way around.

Walking Shrewsbury Diocese - Fundraising for SVP Holiday Homes and Youth Camps.

Kate Birkenhead (SVP Officer for the Shrewsbury Diocese) and her partner Colin will be walking the whole of the Shrewsbury Diocese: 200 plus miles from New Brighton on The Wirral to Ludlow in South Shropshire, via South Manchester, raising money for our local St Vincent De Paul Society Children's Camps and Holiday homes. They will take 2 weeks in July/August to complete the walk. All money raised will go towards funding these vital initiatives. <https://giving.give-star.com/online/saint-vincent-de-paul-society-england-and-wales/kate-and-colin-are-walking-the-length-and-breadth-of-shrewsbury-diocese>

Ask your MP to protect life in the new Parliament We are likely to face threats in the new Parliament on both beginning and end-of-life fronts. Ask your local MP to protect the most vulnerable. **Take action:** Email your MP today by visiting righttolife.org.uk/newparliament

Mary's Meals

The Parish has received a letter of thanks for the £350 which we sent recently, we also have a further £133.93 to send. The McEnaney Family have also received thanks in a letter saying "Congratulations to you for raising a fantastic £825.38! I would like just to say thank you so much to you and everyone who supported you. Because of your incredible generosity you have raised enough to feed 43 children for a full school year! Today, more than 2.4 million hungry children in 17 of the world's poorest countries—including South Sudan, Ethiopia, Malawi and Yemen—are sitting in classrooms with full stomachs, and learning how to read and write, thanks to supporters like you".

100 Afghan families eligible for resettlement are stuck in limbo, we can bring them to safety by the end of this year. The UK Government has tasked Citizens UK to find 20 more community sponsorship volunteer groups, supported with funding and Citizens staff, to lead the way in welcoming refugee families into their communities. We're not asking for money or donations, but rather volunteers who are willing to help these families when they arrive. To find out more please visit: <https://www.sponsorrefugees.org/get-involved/communities-for-afghans/>

"Pilgrim's Progress to Rome, an eight-day trek in Autumn 2025, is a charity fundraising challenge organised by the charity Life. Life supports women in unexpected and crisis pregnancies and those experiencing pregnancy loss. Life are calling all those with "an adventurous spirit and a compassionate heart", to email emilytraynor@lifecharity.org.uk to receive more information."

We have sent £190.00 to **CAFOD**—£165 from the tea and coffee sales collected at St. Mary's.

Important message, It has become obvious in recent months that the wall at St Mary's Parish centre church and house is deteriorating rapidly. Some parts of it are now unsafe and need 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.

This week

Friday 9.45am Mothers' Prayers Parish Centre 4