

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

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 18th August 2024

Sat	17th Aug	6.30pm	The Parishioners
Sun	18th Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's ints. John Stoneley
Mon	19th Aug	9.00am 6.30pm	Margaret & Derek Ryder Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	20th Aug	9.00am	Madie Devaney b'day, St Bernard
Wed	21st Aug	7.30pm	Joanne Woolridge RIP, St Pius X
Thurs	22nd Aug	9.00am	Max & Daniela, Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary
Fri	23rd Aug	9.00am	Derek Whittaker RIP
Sat	24th Aug	6.30pm	Priest's ints., St Bartholomew
Sun	25th Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Dec Relatives Duffy Family

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: Dennis Bannaghan, John Joseph Murphy, Leo Witter, Colin Brennan, Josie Costello, Mary Smith, Betty Telfer, Mary Josephine Deasy, Sean Ryan, Fred Power, Edward McGarvey Jnr, Margaret Bailey, Thomas Shannon, James O'Grady, Elizabeth Edwards, Monica Horricks, Patrick Jordon, Danny O'Brien, Ted Hughes, Rene Costello, Thomas O'Keefe, George Dean, David Hughes, Carol Bagshaw, Rev Francis Rice, Mgr Canon Vincent Turnbull, Rev Patrick O'Brien, Rev Christopher Jenkins.

Parish Centre

On 1st September Helen Duffy will become booking secretary. Helen can be contacted on 0770381 3816 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

Father Vijay does not currently have a car or a British Driving Licence so he will need help with transport. There is a list at the back of both churches. Please put your name and phone number on it if you are willing for him to contact you if he needs transport. The more people that sign the less often you will be needed. This will not include night time calls.

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>

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."

Pause for Hope is an ecumenical service for all those suffering from cancer, those caring for family or friends with cancer, and those affected in any way by cancer. This year the service takes place on Sunday 15 September at 3pm in Saint Columba's church, Chester. It is an opportunity to come together to pray and to support one other. Poster on Notice Board.

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