

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas

This Christmas, give your loved ones something exceptional and life changing. Buying CAFOD's virtual World Gifts makes a real difference for our sisters and brothers facing the injustice of poverty around the world. Choose from a range of beautifully illustrated cards, each representing a gift of hope, inspired by real people and real needs. Cards can be sent by post, as an eCard, or printed at home. Purchase World Gifts and other gifts such as Advent calendars and jute bags at worldgifts.cafod.org.uk or pick up a catalogue in church.

ADVENT RETREAT (AGE 15 TO YOUNG ADULTS) AT CASTLERIGG MANOR

Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11th at Midday.

The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun and they usually prove very popular. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch. Further details – director@castleriggmanor.co.uk. Sign up at castleriggmanor.com



Parish of St. Mary, Middlewich serving St. Margaret's, Holmes Chapel

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Dear friends,

This is the second week of advent that our Holy Mother Church is inviting us to prepare ourselves in order to embrace the peace that Jesus brings for us. The candle we light today is traditionally called the Peace Candle. It is a reminder that the Christ-child will bring peace to our troubled hearts, wearied lives and to our troubled world. This is a great and good news to our ears. Let us keep ourselves focused in our advent journey and be ready to receive the Divine Child, who is the Prince of Peace (For us a child is born, to us a son is given ... Isaiah 9:1,6). The child to be born is the Peace, he is the Shalom. Let us repeat in our hearts several times JESUS IS THE PEACE.

DAY TRIP TO LIVERPOOL with Parishes of St John Vianney & St Thomas Becket

The coach will depart St Wilfrid's at 9.15am on Tuesday 10th December and also pick up at St Bede's. It will depart Liverpool at 4.00pm. Spend the day around the shops or visit the sights of the City. £16. Book a seat today. Contact Anne: 07484 879693

COLLECTION for Christmas flowers

There will be a collection for Christmas flowers after all Masses over the two weekend of 7th and 8th and 14th and 15th of December. Please support us so we can make our Church look beautiful at this special time! Thank you.

Sun	8th Dec	9.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners
Sun	8th Dec	11.00am	Gordon Woolridge birthday
Mon	9th Dec	12.00pm 6.30pm	Priest's ints, <i>The Immaculate Conception of the B VM</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	10th Dec	9.00am	Deceased members of France/Howman Families
Wed	11th Dec	6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Rosary John Devaney anniversary
Thurs	12th Dec	9.00am	<i>(School)Thanksgiving</i>
Fri	13th Dec	9.00am	Norma Cassidy anniversary, <i>St Lucy</i>
Sat	14th Dec	8.30am 9.00am 6.30pm	Holy Rosary Rex Lloyd anniversary, <i>St John of the Cross</i> The Parishioners
Sun	15th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners Lawrence and Florence Glenn anniversary

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, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Edward Evans , Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor, Frank Holbrook, Catherine McIntosh, Doreen Stevenson.

who have died recently: especially Joan Upton

whose anniversaries occur at this time: John Egan, Denis Charles Magee, Doris Bannaghan, Thomas James Bowen, Tess Haney, Charles Regan, Alfred Francis Barry, Mary Jane Down, Margaret Trelfa, Helen Patterson, Pam Devine, Adrian Prescott, Edward Horne Snr, John Cannon, Annie Kucharczyk, Mary Kilkenny, Norma Cassidy, Clarence De Soysa, Rev Paul O'Grady, Canon Andrew Vincent Campbell, Rev Bernard Hewitt.

Special Mass at St Margaret Ward on 21st December 2024 at 10.00am

Holy Hour and Sacrament of Reconciliation 10.00am (H Chapel)

Next Week Masses

Monday 16th December Requiem Mass for Joan Upton

FoodBank Shortages

- 6-pack crisps
- stuffing
- gravy
- UHT fruit juice
- tinned ham

Collection for Spring Bulbs

Many thanks for your donations so far - we are still accepting more

Future Newsletters

If you would like to promote an event or have something to share with your Parishioners then please send the details by email to: StMarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com

This Week in the Parish Centre

Monday	Community Lunch	12.45pm	Parish Centre
Wednesday	RCIA	7.15pm	Parish Centre
	Room 1		
Friday	Mothers' Prayers	9.45am	Parish Centre
	Room 4		
Friday	Mums and Tots	10.00am	Parish Centre
	Room 2, 3		