

Parish of St. Mary, Middlewich serving St. Margaret Ward, Holmes Chapel

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# **Dear Friends**,

The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C focuses on living out God's Word in everyday life. The readings encourage faith in action, love for others, and seeing Christ as the centre of all creation. The first reading teaches that God's Word is already in our hearts. We can live it out if we listen and choose to follow it. The second reading highlights Jesus as the foundation of creation and our faith. Everything exists through Him and is united in Him. The Gospel calls us to love others, especially those in need. The story of the Good Samaritan challenges us to show kindness and mercy. Faith is not just about knowing God's Word. The readings show that faith comes alive when we live it out through our actions. The Good Samaritan shows what compassion looks like. True love for God means caring for people, even strangers or those we find hard to love. On this Sunday we are reminded to live our faith through love and action. God's Word is near to us, and Jesus calls us to serve others with compassion and care.

## Please Note the new number for Father Viay/Parish 07836 614 833

## Free Summer Barbecue Today in aid of Father Vijay's village

#### We have the summer barbecue after Mass today.

Please support Father Vijay's native village of Nachugunta. The box for your kind donations is at the back of church and will be next weekend too for those who do not have funds on them today. Please join us in the garden for Burgers and Sausages.

### Reconciliation and Eucharistic programme Sept 2025 – May 2026

We would like to invite children in year 2 and above who would like to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (*Forgiveness*) and Eucharist (*First Holy Communion*) to join the parish preparation programme. Enrolment will take place **this Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> and next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July** after the 11am Mass.. If you would like more information please contact: Teresa Wells (07596 408581) or Clare Bloor (07901 816157).

#### Baptism this Sunday by Father Vijay at 12.30pm

We welcome in to our Parish Family

Eleazar Nana Kofi Boakye-Ansah Jude Fiifi Adom Boakye-Ansah

# This Week in the Parish

Today	Summer Barbecue		
Thursday	Dennis Hambley RIP	1.00pm	Parish Centre
Thursday	Sacrament of Confirmation	7.00pm	Parish Centre
Friday	Parents and Tots	10.00am	Room 2,3

Sat	12 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30am 9.00am 6.30pm	Holy Rosary The Parishioners Priests intentions	
Sun	13 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am 11.00am	(Holmes Chapel) Thomas Clavin RIP The Parishioners <b>Please join us for the Summer Barbecue after Mass</b>	
Mon	14 <sup>rtn</sup> July	9.00am 6.30pm	Father Peter's Ordination anniversary Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Tues	15 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am	Priest's intentions, St Bonaventure	
Wed	16 <sup>th</sup> July	6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Rosary Jerry and Pat Scott	
Thurs	17 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am 12.00pm	(School) Dennis Hambley Requiem Mass	
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am	Judy Collins RIP	
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup> July	8.30am 9.00am 6.30pm	Holy Rosary Ena Masterson 90 <sup>th</sup> birthday, <i>St John Plessington</i> The Parishioners	
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am 11.00am	(Holmes Chapel) Priest's intentions Davies Family intentions	

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**: especially Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor, Catherine McIntosh, Margaret Strong, Frank Holbrook, Sue Reddan.

Who have died recently: especially

Whose anniversaries occur at this time: Sarah Millington, William Bannaghan, Solomon Glover, Michael Hughes, Brian Clarke, Elizabeth Christall, Joseph Regan, Anne Baker, Margaret Mary Steven, William Innes, Molly Galbraith, Lily Theresa Whalley, Mary Kirkham, SR. Ruth, Ann Haggerty, John McHale, Andrew Regan, Ray Richardson, Rev Albert Knight.

## Cancel debt, choose hope

A big thank you to the 110 people who signed our petition on the debt crisis. We have now sent the petitions to CAFOD. They will be used at various key political moments points during 2025 such as the COP30 climate conference in Brazil in November. The petition forms part of a global effort on the debt crisis in the Jubilee Year.

# Shrewsbury Cathedral Jubilee Pilgrimage 2025

# Dear Friends

Shrewsbury Cathedral has a new Dean, Father Sean Henry, who has sent the following message.

As the new Cathedral Dean, it is my pleasure to invite you and your parish, as pilgrims, to Shrewsbury Cathedral for this Jubilee Year of Hope. Enclosed is a booking form, detailing the itinerary (including menu options provided by our on-site Orchard Café) for £13 per head. Please ensure this form is completed and returned to the Cathedral office – either scanned to events@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or posted back at least one month before your intended visit.

Pilgrimages will be booked on a first-come, first-served basis, so please await confirmation from the office beforehand, and please have alternative dates on-hand, in case we cannot unfortunately accommodate you on your chosen date.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Mother Church.

With best wishes, Father Sean Henry Cathedral Dean

# A poster is at the back of Church.

Ruth Ward is looking in to organising a visit. Please let her know if you are interested or need further details.