



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

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### Dear Friends,

Today's readings especially the gospel text speak of the preparedness and faithfulness of a Christian. The return of Jesus is a certainty. We can never know precisely when he will return or when we will die, but his return is certain. We must constantly watch, being always faithful and ready so that we may be found worthy to share in the heavenly banquet he has prepared for us. So, the question of the parable is not whether Christ is coming again, or when he is coming, or even how he is coming. The point is about being prepared for his coming and ready to receive him whenever he comes, now or later.

**Fr. Vijay**

### Keys of the Churches, Parish Centre and Presbytery

Please be kind enough to make sure that Fr. Vijay is informed, as soon as possible, if you have any of the above and advise whether you will continue holding them or hand them back.

### More Volunteers needed hospitality, cleaning and garden teams

The hospitality team prepare refreshments after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday in the Parish Centre. Cleaning can be done at a time which suits and takes about an hour and a half. Cleaning duties are on a rota and are approximately once every six weeks. More helpers would encourage our loyal team! Information from Debbie Stevens text 07928520537 for (hospitality/cleaning) or send a message to the Parish email or mobile.

**Thank You to Maria Cruickshank and Marylene for volunteering as new members of the hospitality team.**

### Message from Friends of Holy Land

'Friends of the Holy Land would like to thank all parishioners for £172.20 raised for Christians in the Holy Land, at a time when they desperately need our help. Please continue to remember our work in your prayers, giving our brothers and sisters strength to continue.'

### Baptism Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30am by Deacon Tony Ford

We welcome into our Parish Family

**Miss Alyssa Anne Charlton**

### Wedding by Father Simon on Wednesday

Father Simon will join in Holy Matrimony:

Freddy Thomas Kattakayam

And

Jasleen Kaur Batra

**Congratulation to the new Mr & Mrs Kattakayam**

### This Week in the Parish

Mothers' Prayers

9.45am

Room 4

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

Sat	9 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8.30am 9.00am 6.30pm	St Teresa Benedicta of The Cross, (Edith Stein) Holy Rosary The Parishioners O'Hare Family Thanksgiving
Sun	10 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(Holmes Chapel) Anne Cull anniversary (Bert & Mary) Priest's intentions <b>Please join us in the Parish Centre after Mass</b>
Mon	11 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am 6.30pm	Lawrence and Florence Glenn, <i>St Clare</i> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	12 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am	Ella & Ernest Barker
Wed	13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	3.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm	Wedding - Freddy Thomas Kattakayam & Jasleen Kaur Batra Holy Rosary Peter Hannon RIP
Thurs	14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am	Ella Hilton RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary), <i>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe</i>
Fri	15 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am	The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Thelma Woolridge (90 <sup>th</sup> birthday remembrance)
Sat	16 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8.30am 9.00am 6.30pm	Holy Rosary The Parishioners Thelma Woolridge RIP anniversary
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.00am 11.00am	(Holmes Chapel) Priest's intentions The Parishioners

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, Catherine McIntosh, Margaret Strong, Frank Holbrook, Sue Reddan, Janine Jackson and Deacon Terry Simms.

**Whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Lou Costello, Mary Robinson, Naomi Jane Hough, Margaret Hall, John Patterson 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, Peter Farrington, Madeline Widgery, Richard Adderley, Peter Gallagher, Reg Hamblett, Rev Peter Robertson, Rev Gregory Downing, Rev Dennis Marmion, Rev John M Lyons, Rev Michael Raiswell, Rev Lawrence Pozzuoli.

### Food Bank Shortages

Cream crackers,  
Crisps  
Fruit juices (long life)  
Snack meals

### Shrewsbury Cathedral Jubilee Pilgrimage 2025

#### **Parish Jubilee Trip to Shrewsbury Cathedral 23rd October 2025**

Depart St Mary's Middlewich 9am  
return to Middlewich hopefully by 6pm

Please sign up, indicating payment method, your meal preference,  
all meals served with Filter coffee or tea.

There is the option after lunch to go into Shrewsbury town  
Please sign the form at the back of church.

### Craft Fair at St Mary's School

The last Craft Fair held in April raised £123.50 in aid of Parish funds.

The next dates are

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

If you can make any items to sell or have any items you wish to donate then please let Nora/Helen Armsden know.

All monies raised will go in to Parish funds.

Let's get Crafty!