

# OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9th November 2025

St Mary's RC Church

2 New King Street, Middlewich.

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Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Vijay Bhupathi

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**Sacrament of Confession**  
**Saturday 11.30am - 12.15pm**  
(also available on request)

## Diary dates...

### Friday 14th November 7pm

#### PARISH FUNDRAISER

#### BINGO & BAKE- ALL WELCOME

Please support this fundraiser organised by the newly Confirmed

Prizes for every Line & every Full House

Hamper Raffle also to be won on the evening.

Calling all Parish Bakers - Please leave any bake donations in the Parish Centre or bring them with you on the evening. Thank you for your support.

### Saturday 15th November

**MCC Mens Breakfast:** Join us for a hearty breakfast, great company and our wonderful guest speaker - Kevin Cockburn at Middlewich Community Church Email [info@middlewich.org](mailto:info@middlewich.org) or phone 01606 835928 to book your FREE place, booking closes at midday on Thursday 13th November

### Request from Ukraine...

#### Candles, used or not, any size.

Please make donations in the box at the back of Church.

#### Please Pray for all...

Who have died recently, especially **Clarry France, Vicky Moger, Tom Marsden.**

Who are sick at home and in hospital, especially Mike Hough, Margaret Strong, Joan Lloyd and Deacon Terry Simms.

**St. Mary's Parish Middlewich**

**Serving St Margaret Ward Holmes Chapel**

## Reflection from Fr. Vijay

### Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Today we celebrate not just a building, but what it represents: the unity and universality of the Church. The Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, stands as a symbol of communion with the Pope and the wider Church across the world.

In the readings, we hear of the temple as a place where God dwells among His people.

But St. Paul reminds us that we are God's temple, and the Spirit dwells within us. This feast invites us to reflect on how we, as living stones, build up the Church—not just in bricks and mortar, but in faith, love, and service. May this celebration renew our commitment to being a holy and vibrant dwelling place for God, both individually and as a parish community.

## This Week in The Parish

| Days      | Activity          | Time    | Venue         |
|-----------|-------------------|---------|---------------|
| Wednesday | RCIA              | 7.30pm  | Parish Centre |
| Friday    | Parents & Toddler | 10.00am | Parish centre |

| Day   | Date  | Times            | Holy Mass Intentions                                                             |
|-------|-------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat   | 8/1   | 8.30am<br>9.00am | Holy Rosary                                                                      |
| Sat   |       | 6.30pm           | The Parishioners                                                                 |
| Sun   | 9/11  | 9.00am           | <b>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b><br>(Holmes Chapel) Priest's intentions |
|       |       | 11.30am          | Jean Royle RIP                                                                   |
| Mon   | 10/11 | 9.00am           | Marjorie(Madge) Hitchin RIP<br><b>St.Leo the Great, Pope. Doctor</b>             |
|       |       | 6.30pm           | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament                                              |
| Tues  | 11/11 | 9.00am           | Myra RIP<br><b>St Martin of Tours. Doctor.</b> followed by Holy Rosary           |
| Wed   | 12/11 | 11am             | Clarry France Requiem Mass<br><b>St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</b>                 |
| Wed   | 12/11 | 6.00pm           | Holy Rosary                                                                      |
|       |       | 6.30pm           | Deceased members of the Devaney family                                           |
| Thurs | 13/11 | 9.00am           | Mass at St Mary's School<br>Pat Taylor Anniversary                               |
| Fri   | 14/11 | 9.00am           | Departed Souls of the Faithful.                                                  |
| Sat   | 15/11 | 8.30am<br>9.00am | Holy Rosary<br>Gez Ford (Diaconate Ordination)                                   |
| Sat   | 15/11 | 6.30pm           | Priest's intentions                                                              |
| Sun   | 16/11 | 9.00am           | The Parishioners                                                                 |
| Sun   |       | 11.00am          | Jean Royal RIP                                                                   |

## Looking ahead...

### Saturday 22nd November: Sacrament of First Forgiveness

We are delighted to have 12 children who will be receiving the Sacrament of first forgiveness on Saturday 22nd November at a service in St.Mary's at 10am. Please keep them in your prayers. Certificates will be present to the children on Sunday December 7th at 11am Mass in St Mary's.

### Garden Day 22nd November

We still need volunteers to help with the flower beds at the front and side of the church, and general tidying of the church grounds. Many hands make light work. If you are interested please put your name and number on the list at the back of church, let Fr Vijay know, or ring Kath Shaw 07780473042 **Donations of spring bulbs, wallflowers, primroses, violas and pansies are needed** to make a stunning spring display, to lift our spirits as we enter church. They can be left in the basket in the church porch.

**Would you consider donating a rose bush for Our Lady's garden in-between the church and Presbytery? Perhaps in memory of a loved one**

### December 5th: Talk on the 'Spirituality of Charles Dickens' 7pm in our Parish Centre

A not to be missed Advent talk presented by Fr. Paul Shaw. Refreshments will be available. Donations only on the night. Come and experience something different. All are welcome.

### Parish Office.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to Helen Duffy for her exceptional work in supporting me and the parish over the past year. However, whilst she is leaving the role to dedicate more time to supporting David in their business, Helen will continue to be an active member of the parish. We are fortunate to have both Helen and David in our parish and thank them for their continued support.

#### Fr. Vijay

The Parish office will be covered during this interim period as we review how best to Move forward.

Please continue to use our usual channels of communication for email and newsletter items.

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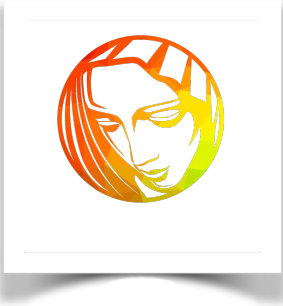
### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje..

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 25th May- 1st June 2026. If you are interested, please contact Gemma 07796455509 or Madelyn for more information.

### Anniversaries occurring at this

time... "The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed."

(Psalm 34:18)



#### Anniversaries

Rev Joseph Collin Doyle

Rev Joseph Taggart

Rev Michael Ullman (Deacon)

Margaret Halley

Michael McHugh

Anne Trivett

Anthony Devaney

Edith Smith

Charles Sweeny

Mary Duffy

Albert Jump

Majorie (Madge) Hitchin

Frank Loughlin

#### Anniversaries

Rev Patrick Shivenen

Rev Augustine Tremmery

Annie Ellison

Neil Crawford

Anne Dolores

Clarence Turner

John Hancock

Baby Theo Crossthwaite

Matthew Raftery

Michael Tully

Hilda Clarke

Luke Raftery

### Food Bank Shortages...

**Tinned: Soup, Rice pudding, Custard, Spaghetti, Ravioli, Cuppa soup, Coffee, UHT Milk, Packet noodles, deodorant**