

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd November 2025

St Mary's RC Church

2 New King Street, Middlewich.

CW10 9EB

Parish Priest

Rev. Fr. Vijay Bhupathi

Tel:07836 614 833

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

Diary dates...

29th November: St Mary's School Craft fair

There will be a craft fair at St Mary's primary School on Saturday the 29th of November from 10am to 4pm. Please come along and support this great day. The parish will have a specific stall to raise funds.

28th November: Blessing of Graves - Holmes Chapel

Fr. Vijay will be blessing the graves in Holmes Chapel on Friday 28th November at 11am.

Food Bank Shortages...

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

Please Pray for all...

Who have died recently, especially **Clarry France, Vicky Moger, Tom Marsden. Len Smith. Anita Blundell (Nee Sproston)**

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

Today we celebrate the final Sunday of the liturgical year: the Solemnity of Christ the King. This feast reminds us that Jesus' kingship is unlike any earthly rule. His throne is the cross, His crown is of thorns, and His power is love. In the Gospel, the good thief turns to Jesus with a simple plea: "Remember me." Christ responds with mercy, promising paradise even in His final moments. This shows us that His kingdom is built on forgiveness and hope. We are invited to let Christ reign in our hearts, homes, and communities. His rule is not about domination, but about service and compassion. Every act of kindness becomes a sign of His kingdom breaking into the world. As we close the liturgical year, we look forward to Advent with renewed faith. Let us choose to live as citizens of Christ's kingdom here and now. May His reign of peace and justice guide us always.

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	22/11	8.30am 9.00am	Holy Rosary St Cecilia
Sat		6.30pm	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Sun	23/11	9.00am	Deceased Family & Friends (Holmes Chapel)
		11.00am	Deceased relatives and friends of the Curbison Family
Mon	24/11		Ss Andrew Dung-Lac, P & Companions, Mn
Tues	25/11	9.00am	Simon Lewis RIP
Tues	25/11	6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed	26/11	6.00pm	Holy Rosary
		6.30pm	Remembrance Mass.
Thurs	27/11	9.00am	Chris & Heather & family in thanks giving. Mass at St Mary's School
Fri	28/11	9.00am	Departed Souls of the Faithful.
Sat	29/11	8.30am 9.00am	Holy Rosary The Parishioners
Sat	29/11	6.30pm	The First Sunday of Advent Deceased relatives and of the Gilligan and McEnaney Family
Sun	30/11	9.00am	The Parishioners
Sun		11.00am	Gordon Woodbridge birthday Anniversary

Looking ahead...

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. See poster at the back of Church.

Please put your name on the list at the back of Church.

Thank you

Gardening Volunteers

Thank you to all those who helped and supported in preparing our garden for the spring. We are all looking forward to seeing the spring flowers!

Bingo & Bake Night

Thank you to all who supported a great fun evening, especially braving the very wet weather to support our **funding raising** for St Joseph's and St Mary's. We raised £500.00!

Candles for Ukraine.

Thank you for the overwhelming support for this appeal. The candles will be taken on today (23rd November) and transported to Ukraine by the Rotary Club from Huddersfield.

Dec 7th: Churches Together Christmas Market

We need people to man the stall please. 2 per half hour would be good, with extra to set up and take down the stall. The stall itself is erected by the company the partnership use and basic festoon lighting is provided.

Please could you sign the sheet at the back of church if you are able to Volunteer to man the stall. Then a rota will be compiled and Julia will get in touch with the volunteers. Tasks would simply be to encourage children to take part and to hand out the gifts to adults and children.

For more info contact: Julia Tomes; Email: julia.tomes51@hotmail.co.uk

Saturday Mass Times change from December

Holy Rosary 10am

Holy Mass 10.30am

Holy Hour & Confessions 11am - 12noon

Parish Office.

Office Hours this week

Tuesday. / Wednesday 9.30 -12.30. Friday 12noon -4pm

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Update: During Advent we will be producing a colour version of our news letter to include Advent reflections.

In the new year we will be looking for sponsors to cover the cost of production of our new newsletter. Please contact Peter on 07831893781 if you would like more information.



Anniversaries

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

(Psalm 34:18)

Anniversaries

Winifred Bailey

John Murray

Agnes Cregg

Vincent McGillen

Michael O'Donnell

Margaret McDermott

Rev John Ryan

Martin McNeela

Bridget Egan

Liam Flynn

Desmond Spilsbury

Sheila Bagshaw

Anniversaries

Rev John Lomas

Rev James McGinley

Rev John Conway

Rev Peter Neill

Joseph Brookfield

Mary Hancock

John Dutton

Mary Labedz

Andy Clarke

Mary Ellen Nolan

Aleksander Alderman

Baptism



We welcome Berry Bridget Doherty

into the family of St Mary's this Sunday

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