

NEWSLETTER
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&
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28th June 2026. FEAST OF SS PETER & PAUL

Fr. Vijay's Reflection for The Week Ahead

Saints Peter and Paul remind us that God builds His Church through ordinary, imperfect people who allow grace to shape them. Peter, the fisherman who often faltered, becomes the **rock of faith**. Paul, once a persecutor, becomes the **apostle to the nations**. Both men experienced deep conversion. Both learned to trust Christ more than their own strength. Their lives show that the Church stands firm not because of human perfection, but because Christ continues to work through those who say **yes** to Him. This feast invites us to renew our own discipleship: to stand firm in faith like Peter, and to carry the Gospel with courage like Paul.

Saturday Eucharistic Adoration 11.15 - 12.15pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 11.15am - 12.15pm

Key Contacts & Information

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The Pope's prayer Intention for June

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

Amen.



The Pope's prayer Intention for July

Respect for human life
 Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

Prayer to The Sacred Heart of Jesus:

O Jesus, through the most pure heart of Mary, I offer you all the prayers, works, sufferings and joys of this day for all the intentions of Thy Divine Heart in The Holy Mass.

All for You O Heart of Jesus,
 O Heart of Jesus all for you. Amen



The Annual Parish BBQ
 will take place on Sunday
 12th July from 1pm.
 Please bring your own side dishes, desserts & drinks.
 Sausages & burgers in buns will be cooked for you.
 There will be a list at both churches to sign if you are attending so we can get enough food.
 Please let the PPT know if you can help set up tables & chairs after 11.00 am Mass
 email:
stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com

We now have a New Facebook page:
 Please search and follow
 St Mary's Catholic Church Middlewich

Holy Rosary

- Holy Rosary takes place on the following days and times.
- Monday on zoom at 10.30am
- Tuesday after 9.00am Holy Mass
- Wednesday 6.00pm before 6.30pm Holy Mass
- Friday after 9.00am Holy Mass
- Saturday 10am before 10.30 Holy Mass

FOODBANK SHORTAGES

Custard, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Veg, Tinned Fish.
 Thank you for your continued support.

Sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion – September 2026

If your child is starting Year 3 (or above) in September, we would like to welcome them to prepare to receive the Sacraments of First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion. For children attending St Mary's School there will be a presentation about the programme on Monday 29th June at 9.00am in School. For children within the Parish who do not attend St Mary's School, please contact Clare Bloor on 07901816157 for further information. Registrations onto the programme will take place after the 11am Masses at St Mary's Church on Sunday 11th July and Sunday 18th July.



SVP LAUNCH

"On Sat 4th/Sun 5th July to celebrate the formation of our Parish SVP, at the end of each Mass they will provide a short update on the role of the SVP, also take away cake at 6.30pm mass and tea and cake after the 9.00 and 11.00am masses".

MARY'S MEALS

A cheque for £600 has been sent from the parish to Mary's Meals this week. I'm sure the families of the children who receive a nutritious meal whilst being educated will be very grateful.

We Believe Festival of Catholic Life which is happening at St Mary's College, Oscott, 24-27 July 2026.

There is content for people of every age. Book a place here <https://www.webeliefestival.com/>.
 See poster at the back of church for more information..

Thank you to Peter De Vere for sponsoring our Newsletter during the month of July.

Parish Finance Group

Due to technical difficulties, beyond our control, the system is not yet operational, however if you wish to donate in the meantime please use the bank details below:

Thank you for your patience.

DIGITAL GIVING

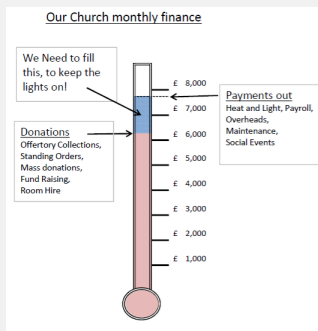
Our new digital system at the back of St Marys Church.

The new system is **OPTIONAL** and is not a replacement for the current system of giving. All parishioners are welcome and able to continue to give through standing orders or envelope collections which are gratefully received.

The Parish Finance Group spoke after Mass recently regarding the help that we need from all members of our parish to look at ways of building up our parish, both spiritually and financially.

If you did not receive a copy of the annual accounts and the ways in which you can help, please take a sheet from the back of church or email the parish office and we can send one over to you.

If you do not already give regularly through standing order, please consider whether you can, or, if you already do, are you able to increase that amount. We can now give through this QR code or the bank details of the parish are below.



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Mass for Healing led by the 'Bread of Life' Prayer Group, will take place at 7pm on Monday 29th June at St, Bede's, Weaverham. Principal celebrant will be Fr. Chris Thomas of the Irenaeus Project based in Liverpool (<https://www.irenaeus.co.uk/>). There will be a collection in support of their mission work, and refreshments afterwards. All are welcome. Speak to Deacon David Harrison for more details.

CAFOD Debt Crisis Petition

- CAFOD debt petition
- Thank you to the 100 parishioners who signed the CAFOD debt petition. We have now sent the petitions to CAFOD.
- They will hand them in to the government towards the end of the year as the UK takes over the presidency of the G20. We have also send a postcard to our MPs to let them know about the 100 signatures on our debt petition and asking them to write to the PM to call for greater ambition and action on the global debt crisis.

Launching the St Mary's 100 Club!

We're delighted to announce the launch of the St Mary's 100 Club – a simple, fun and effective way to support our parish while giving yourself the chance to win a monthly cash prize.

By joining the 100 Club, you'll be helping us raise much needed funds for the running of the parish. At the same time, you'll be entered into a monthly draw with four prizes up for grabs.

How it works.

Each person is allocated a number for the duration they remain in the club.

Once a month four numbers are drawn using a random number app.

If your number is selected, you win a prize:

- 1st prize: £200
- 2nd prize: £100
- 3rd prize: £50
- 4th prize: £50

(Prize amounts are based on 100 people in the draw, prize values may differ with fewer participants)

The cost is £10 per month, to be paid by standing order to the parish on the 1st of the month.

Participants must be 16 plus.

How to join.

Please complete the form at the back of Church with your name, address, telephone and email.

Set up a standing order for £10 per month, dated to start on the 1st of the month (commencing July), using the bank details below:

Account name: St Mary's Middlewich

Account number: 54643068

Sort code: 301552

Reference: 100 Club - Your Name

When does it start?

The first draw will take place in July after 11am

Mass: The winning numbers will be advertised in the newsletter. Please consider joining – it's a small monthly amount that makes a big difference to the life of our parish.

Please send completed forms to the parish email or leave in the box at the back of church. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and support.

Dave Collins, PPT Chair

What's on in the Parish Centre this week

Day	Activity	Time
Sunday	Children's Liturgy	11.00am
Sunday	Celeb 1st Holy Communion children	12.00pm
Thursday	Happy Little Signers	9.30am
Friday	Mums & Tots	9.30am

Sat 27/6	10.30am	Holy Mass. Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat 27/6	1.30pm	Wedding of Elena Devaney & Joseph Copeland
Sat 27/6	6.30pm	SS Peter & Paul John & Angela Turnbull Diamond Wedding Anniversary Blessing
Sun 28/6	9.00am	SS Peter & Paul St Margarets Anna Carrington (Methodist minister Ordination)
Sun 28/6	11:00am	SS Peter & Paul. Celebration Mass for First Holy Communion Children Children's Liturgy
Mon 29/6	9.00am	Service of The Word & Holy Communion.
Tues 30/6	9.00am	Holy Mass. Vincent Gorman (Health Int)
Wed 1/7	6.30pm	Holy Mass. Sue & Philip Heath RIP
Thurs 2/7	9.00am	School Holy Mass.
Fri 3/7	9:00am	Holy Mass St Thomas Ap. Decd Rel. & Friends of Ford Family
Sat 4/7	10.30am	Holy Mass Blessed Virgin Mary Leanne Collins RIP Birthday Memorial
Sat 4/7	6:30pm	Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time Tom O'Hare RIP (Birthday remembrance). SVP Launch
Sun 5/7	9.00am	Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time SVP Launch
Sun 5/7	11:00am	Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time SVP Launch

Prayer for Peace - The Chaplet of St Michael The Archangel

Every Thursday Evening - 6.00pm on Zoom. Please join us to pray for peace.

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/9458449456?pwd=Ym15NEI2UXNrelhncFpGc3JFNTlwdz09>

Meeting ID 9458449456

Passcode: MICHAEL



Holy Michael the Archangel defend us in the day of battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness & snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do thou O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast down to hell satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Anniversaries

Joseph Cooper

William Stoneley

Tom Browne

Charles F. Lawrence

George Johnson

John Jennings

Anniversaries

Edward Brownes

Kathleen Bridgen

Gerry Martin (Canada)

Russell Simpson

Rob Buckley

James Nugent

Anniversaries

Jessie Poziemski

Joseph Costello

Mary Jump

Henry Garritty

Rev Russell Cooke



Please pray for those who have died recently:
Especially Emmanuel Iyoha

Also those who are sick at home and in hospital, especially:
Joan Lloyd, Sue McNeil, David Stephens, Margaret Scarlett, Molly Hamblett, John Brazier, Deacon Peter Mascarenhas, Sarah Sample, Pat Bomford & Sr Kay Harte.