

## 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

Tinned custard, Noodles, Tinned tomatoes & Cream crackers  
Please keep the Foodbank in your prayers at this time.

## 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 29<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> July and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July.**



## 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.webelievefestival.com/>.

See poster at the back of church for more information..

## CATHOLIC HOLIDAYS IN THE LAKE DISTRICT THIS SUMMER

During August and September, Castlerigg Manor in Keswick is opening its doors to families, groups of friends, or private individuals who are looking for an affordable stay in the Lake District. Breakfast and evening meal are provided, and Mass is celebrated on site. For more information check out [castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us](http://castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us) or contact [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk) / 017687 72711

## QUIET RETREATS FOR ADULTS THIS OCTOBER

During October half term, Castlerigg Manor is running a quiet retreat for individual adults who want to spend a few days of peace, relaxation and prayer in the Lake District. Each day there will be a talk, Mass, and evening prayer, and then a lot of time to explore the area, pray, or just simply relax. Book at [castleriggmanor.com/events](http://castleriggmanor.com/events) or contact [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

## 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.

**The Annual Parish BBQ** will take place Next Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com)

*Congratulations to Elena & Joseph who were married here last Saturday. Please keep them in your prayers.*



## Confirmation 2026

There will be a meeting for all candidates and their parents in the parish centre on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm. If you haven't enrolled yet and would like to know more about the programme (in yr 8 or above) please come along to the meeting or contact the parish office

[stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com)

## Shrewsbury Lourdes Pilgrimage

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be holding a Predeparture Mass and meeting on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July at St Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA. We will join the Youth Section at 12 noon for Mass, followed by a meeting at 1.30 pm. Please bring a packed lunch. All members of the Hospitality will be welcome.

*We now have a New Facebook page:*

Please search and follow  
St Mary's Catholic Church Middlewich



5th July 2026. **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

*Fr. Vijay's Reflection for The Week Ahead*

Jesus offers one of the most tender invitations in the Gospel: "Come to me... and I will give you rest." True rest isn't the absence of burdens, but the presence of Christ who carries them with us. His yoke is gentle, His heart is humble, and His peace reaches the places our own strength cannot.

He reminds us that God reveals Himself to the simple-hearted – those willing to trust rather than rely on their own cleverness or control. When we let go of self-reliance, grace has room to work. May this Sunday renew in us the courage to be small, the freedom to trust, and the quiet joy of letting Jesus steady our steps. In Him, even heavy loads become light.

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

## Key Contacts & Information

St Mary's Primary School.	Parish Safeguarding Rep:	Administration.	Finance	PPT Chair-person
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Tel: 01606 516171	<a href="http://www.stmarysparishmiddlewich.org.uk">www.stmarysparishmiddlewich.org.uk</a>	Parish Mobile 07836 614 833		

Normal Office Hours: Monday 9.30 - 11.30. Tuesday 9.30 - 11.30. Friday 9.30 - 12.00

Parish Bank Account: St Mary's Middlewich. Sort Code 30-15-52 Acc No 54643068

New Facebook page: [St Mary's Catholic Church Middlewich](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysCatholicChurchMiddlewich)  
Roman Catholic Diocese of Shrewsbury: Registered Charity 234025

## NEWSLETTER

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Middlewich.  
&  
St Margaret's  
Holmes Chapel

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**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

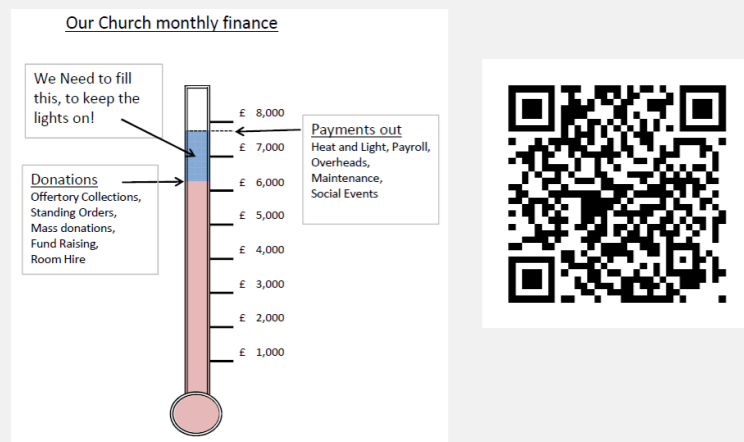
Our new digital system at the back of St Marys Church.

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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**Sort Code 30-15-52 Acc No 54643068**

### CAFOD VENEZUELA APPEAL

What is happening and how we can help the people of Venezuela? The UN estimates that millions of people have been affected by the disaster. Thousands of people have been killed, and the death toll continues to rise. Many more people are still missing. Hospitals are under extreme pressure as they treat large numbers of injured people. People in Venezuela were already struggling with basic needs and services, especially healthcare, before the earthquakes. Since the earthquakes struck last week, our partner, Caritas Venezuela has been supporting people who have lost their homes and accompanying those affected by this tragedy with practical help and compassion. By joining with the DEC's appeal today, we also reach the wider public in the UK to raise funds to respond to the growing needs in Venezuela in the days, weeks and months ahead. Thank you for keeping the people of Venezuela in your prayers and thank you for your ongoing support for CAFOD's work.

## Launching the St Mary's 100 Club!

Your parish needs you!  
48 more members needed for our 100 club.

Thanks to the 52 who are now members. Your numbers will be issued by the 24th July, with the first draw on the 26th.

Be in it to win prizes of £200, £100, £50, £50. Each month. Sign the forms at the back church and use guidance below.

### 100 Club Payment Guidance

We are extending the deadline to join the 100 Club until 24th July. The first draw will take place on Sunday 26th July. To help the Finance Committee keep accurate records, all 100 Club payments need to be made on the 1st of each month. If you are joining now, please choose one of the following:

- Make a double first payment on 1st August,
- **OR**
- Make one payment in July and set up your standing order to begin on 1st August.
- Bank Details - Account name: St Mary's Middlewich
- **Account number: 54643068**
- **Sort code 301552**
- **Reference 100club-your name**

This keeps everyone on the same monthly schedule and ensures the draw can be managed smoothly.

Any questions please email [stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com)  
**Dave Collins, PPT Chair**

*From St Margaret Ward Homes Chapel  
Your kind donations over the past 18 months, have made it possible for this Church Community to donate a total of £250 to our newly formed Saint Vincent de Paul Group; which will support parishioners in this Parish that are unwell or in need. Thank you.*

### What's on in the Parish Centre this week

Day	Activity	Time
Thursday	Happy Little Signers	9.30am
Thursday	Confirmation Parents & Candidates	7.00pm
Friday	Mothers Prayers	9.30am
Friday	Mums & Tots	9.30am

Sat 4/7	10.30am	Holy Mass. Blessed Virgin Mary	Leanne Collins (RIP Birthday Memorial)
Sat 4/7	6.30pm	<b>Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Tom O'Hare RIP (Birthday remembrance). SVP Launch</b>
Sun 5/7	9.00am	<b>Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>SVP Launch</b>
Sun 5/7	11:00am	<b>Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>SVP Launch</b>
Mon 6/7	9.00am	Service of The Word & Holy Communion.	
Tues 7/7	9.00am	Holy Mass.	Margaret, Jim & John Strong RIP
Wed 8/7	6.30pm	Holy Mass.	Carl Pommer & Schofield Family
Thurs 9/7	9.00am	<b>School</b> Holy Mass.	Carmel Behan RIP
Fri 10/7	9:00am	Holy Mass	Maggie Hannon (Birthday)
Sat 11/7	10.30am	Holy Mass Blessed Virgin Mary	Dec'd Rel & Friends of Fewtrell Family. <b>St Benedict Patron of Europe</b>
Sat 11/7	6:30pm	<b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Day of Special Prayer for Seafarers</b>
Sun 12/7	9.00am	<b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Day of Special Prayer for Seafarers</b>
Sun 12/7	11:00am	<b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Mary Walker &amp; Nanette Crowcher (Twins) RIP 100th birthday</b>

### 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

Ted Reid

Cathy Boughen

Roger Hazel

Fr. Matthew O'Shea

Margaret McNeela

Leonard Glynn

James Griffiths

Nora Mitchell

### Anniversaries

Bridget Clewes

Thomas Laughlin

Gustav Emil Nehrlich

Thomas Cannon

Maud Griffiths

Veronica Ward

William Maddock

Constance Mary Cornwall

### Anniversaries

Lisa Maria Barraclough

George Bratt

Mary McDermott

Eric Brewer

Fred Bagshaw

Canon Maurice Abbott

Rev Anthony Cogliolo

Rev Gerard McGuinness

Rev Robert Fallon



Please pray for those who have died recently.

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, & Sr Kay Harte.