

THE PARISH FINANCE GROUP

Finance Group

September Income £7860.85

September Expenditure £6226.59

The Parish Finance Group are trying to prioritise the works that need completing at St Mary's and St Margaret's as finances allow. The main focus at present is to replace the central heating system at St Margaret's and to restore the front of the Parish Centre at St Mary's. Thank you for all your ongoing support.

Donations can be made via the QR Code, Dona machine or via bank.

Gift aid forms for UK Tax payers are available from Ken Worthington.

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St Mary's Middlewich

Sort Code **30-15-52**

Acc No **54643068**



St Mary's School Foundation Governor Vacancy

There are currently three vacancies for foundation governors at our parish school, and expressions of interest are being sought from practising committed Catholics for the roles. Being a Governor is an enjoyable and rewarding role supporting the education and development of our children. Governors have key roles in ensuring clarity of vision, holding the school to account, and financial oversight. Foundation Governors are appointed by Bishop Mark, to represent his and the catholic communities' interests, to ensure that the religious character of the school is well preserved, and religious education is delivered in accordance with the Bishop Mark's policy.

If you are interested in the role, further information is available from Fr Vijay, or Simon Davis, chair of the Governing Board who can be contacted on 01606 832359

PRAY FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Please keep all our young people in your prayers over the coming weeks as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation in November.



FOODBANK SHORTAGES

Current shortages are:
crackers, custard, rice pudding, cordial, pulses, coffee, noodles, toilet rolls, tomatoes and rice.

We currently have an excess of toiletries, pasta, sanitary products, soup, baby food and cleaning products so we do not need these.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers & generosity.

CTIM are putting on a Moving Nativity

starting at Middlewich Primary, then to St. Mary's and the High School down to the Bullring and St. Michael's. We need 2 volunteers to marshal for the event. Plus we need anyone who is interested in acting (adults actors only) in the play to come forward. There will be a meeting on Tuesday 20th October 7.30pm at MCC. It will be good fun and hopefully very well attended by the town.

Please contact Dave Collins or Deacon Tony for further details. if you are interested

Please let us as a parish support the church community in our town with this.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND

8th-10th January 2027

Our residential Marriage Preparation Weekend offers engaged couples time and space to explore the beauty of the Church's teaching of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Led by Stefan and Eleonora Kaminski, it combines a Scripture-based theological reflection with prayer, thoughtful conversation and practical exercises for couples.

Please share this opportunity with engaged couples, clergy and marriage-preparation teams in your community.

Find out more and book:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/marriage-preparation/>

BINGO & KARAOKE FUN NIGHT

Saturday 14th November

EYES DOWN 7.30pm

£10 per Adult Pay on the Door

£5 per child (ages 5-16) Under 5s Free

Includes 5 Games of BINGO & a delicious bowl of chilli.

Bring your own alcohol, soft drinks available.

KARAOKE - Be a star for the night

IMPORTANT - Please provide your name & number on the sheets at the back of both churches if you can attend.

All proceeds to Parish Funds.



MCC Youth Night on Sunday, 15 November,

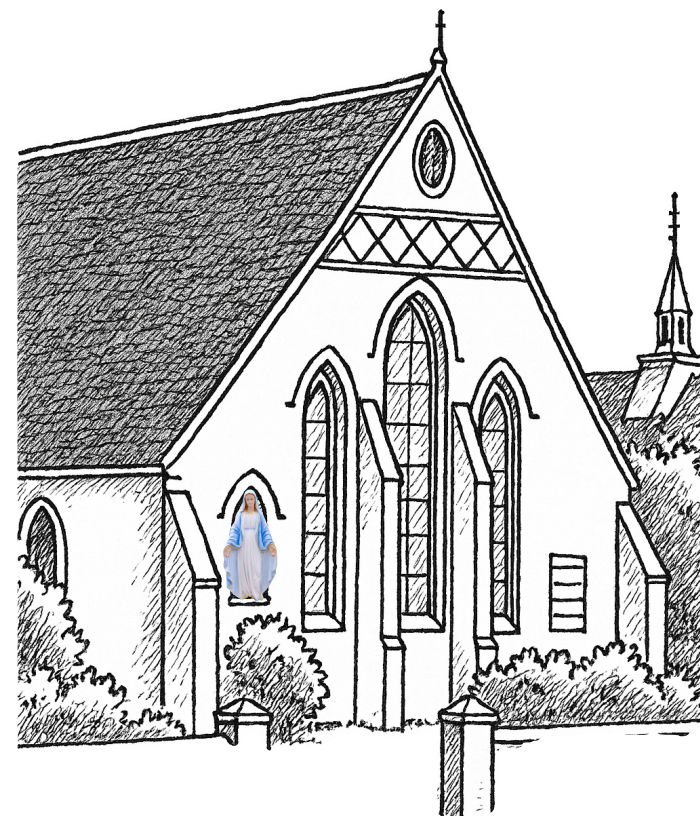
from 6-8 pm, at Mid-Cheshire Community Church, Brooks Lane, Middlewich, CW10 0JG.

See Poster at the back of Church for details

Would you be interested in a short pilgrimage to the shrine of **Our Lady of Walsingham** during Lent next year? If so please email the parish office as soon as possible so that accommodation can be reserved.



Thank you to the parishioners who are sponsoring our Newsletter during the month of October



NEWSLETTER

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Roman Catholic Church

Middlewich.

&

St Margaret's

Holmes Chapel

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25th October 2026. THIRTIETH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Vijay's Reflection for The Week Ahead

In today's Gospel (Matthew 22:34-40), Jesus gives us the greatest commandment: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind" and "Love your neighbour as yourself." True faith is not measured simply by prayers we say, but by the love we show. Love of God and love of neighbour cannot be separated. When we care for those in need, forgive others, and act with kindness, we make God's love visible in the world.

Let us ask ourselves each day: How can I show my love for God by loving someone around me today? Lord, fill our hearts with love for you and for one another. Help us to be signs of your compassion and kindness wherever we go. Amen.

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

Key Contacts & Information

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Office Hours THIS WEEK: Tues 9.30 - 11.30. Thurs 9.30 - 11.30. Fri 9.30 - 12.00.

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