THE PARISH FINANCE GROUP

Finance Group
October Income £7008.01
October Expenditure £5294.11

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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Our Lady of Walsingham Pilgrimage



1st to 4th March 2027

We need to confirm numbers and contact details in order to book our Pilgrimage to Walsingham next year.

Approx cost including transport both ways will be £390 per person (subject to final numbers) A £65 non returnable deposit will be required on booking, this includes half board accommodation at The Anglican Shrine in Walsingham Village.
If you wish to join us, Booking forms will be available at the back of Church which will need to be returned by the end of December together with your deposit.
(***Please note*** *there may be a small additional cost if we organise an* ***optional*** *outing)*

FOODBANK SHORTAGES

We are hoping to put together some much needed Christmas parcels and would be grateful for the following items:

Tinned potatoes
Instant mash
Crisps
Biscuits
Christmas crackers



We currently have an excess of pasta, toiletries, sanitary products, baby food and cleaning products so we do not need these.
Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

We would like to warmly invite you to our AGM. Please see information at the back of Church.
PLEASE NOTE

Every blessing, Alison Boulton

The Pope's prayer Intention for November
For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality

invite everyone to join them at Mass to celebrate the feast of The Immaculate Conception at 7.00pm on 8th December, at St Hugh and St John Timperley - car park post code WA14 5HL. Light refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall after Mass .

A Big thank you to Kath & Phil Shaw and to our small team of parishioner/gardeners who braved the cold on Saturday to make the grounds around the Church look so beautiful for the winter months
Also Rod for keeping the weeds at bay!

Holmes Chapel Christmas Market.

If you could spare 30 mins to help on the Churches Together stall at the Holmes Chapel Christmas Market between 4pm and 7pm on Sunday 6th December, please email John Bryden (jpbryden8@gmail.com). Volunteers on our stall give out free knitted Christmas angels and our Christmas cards with details of Christmas services at the 3 churches in Holmes Chapel.

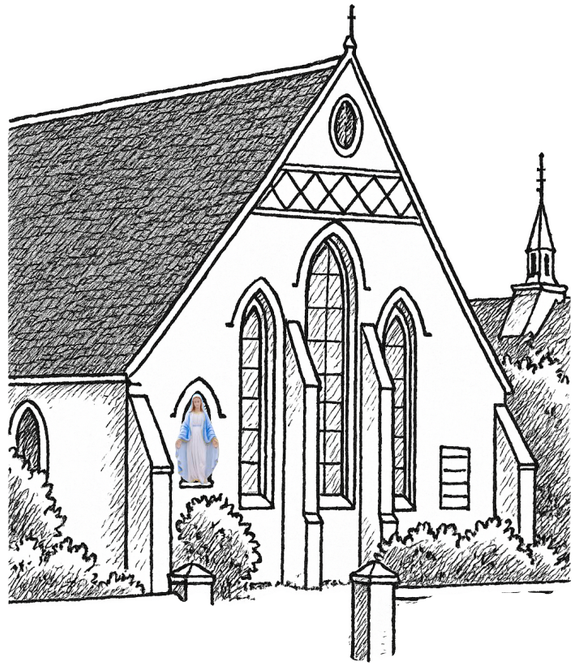
Thanks to everyone who responded to Sister Mary Sebastian's Appeal on behalf of the Missionary Sister we raised £584.00 which has been forwarded to them.

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/

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



NEWSLETTER

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&
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Holmes Chapel

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22nd November 2026. FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Fr. Vijay's Reflection for The Week Ahead

As the Church concludes the liturgical year, we celebrate Jesus Christ as our King. Yet He is not a king who rules by force, wealth, or power. In this Sunday's Gospel (Matthew 25:31-46), Jesus reveals that His kingdom is built on love, mercy, and service. Christ identifies Himself with the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the sick, and the imprisoned. The measure of genuine discipleship is not how much we know about Jesus, but how faithfully we recognise and serve Him in those who are most in need.
The feast of Christ the King reminds us that every act of kindness, compassion, and generosity is an act of love for Christ Himself. As we prepare to begin a new liturgical year with Advent, let us renew our commitment to place Christ at the centre of our lives and allow His reign of love, justice, and peace to shape our hearts and our parish community. "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Mt 25:40)

****** Saturday 21st November ******
NO SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION OR ADORATION

Saturday 28th November Eucharistic Adoration 11.15 - 12.15pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 11.15am - 12.15pm

Key Contacts & Information

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Parish Bank Account: St Mary's Middlewich. Donate here ➡
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SVP CONTACT INFO: Mobile 0747 495 8103 Email: SS_MandMW_SVP@icloud.com

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Holy Rosary

Takes place on the following days and times.
Monday on **zoom at 10.00am**
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

You are invited to attend
The Holy Mass for the Dead
on Wednesday 25th November at 6.30pm.
Please come and pray for all the parishioners who have died this year as well as all our families and friends who have gone before us.

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Our Bingo, Chilli and Karaoke night was a great success😊 It was a fun event especially having a bingo caller who's never called a bingo number in his life 😂. We raised £450 towards parish funds. A big thank you to all for donations to the raffle, all who came and supported us and to our chefs who made some wonderful varieties of chilli.

Best regards, Dave Collins

A Journey of Prayer for Advent 2026

This little booklet will be available at the back of Church from this weekend. It contains a short daily reflection for each day of Advent.
The cost is £1.50

Our Parish Advent Reflection
Saturday 12th December 10am-1pm
Will YOU be ready for Christmas?
Give YOURSELF a break from the hustle and bustle and spend some quiet time in prayer.
Join in our Christmas SELF preparation.
Fr. Vijay, Deacon Tony and Sue N warmly welcome you to
Meditation and Reflection in the Parish Centre
Followed by Mass, Adoration and Forgiveness in Church
BE READY FOR CHRISTMAS !
Refreshments from 9.30am

A vacancy has arisen within the Diocese for a Fundraising and Planned Giving Manager. **Hours**: Full time. **Rate of pay**: Competitive, commensurate with experience. Further details can be found via the Diocesan Website https://dioceseofshrewsb27ury.org/careers/fundraising-and-planned-giving-manager-2 **Closing date:** 27 November 2026. Please contact Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org for an application form.

🎄Parish Christmas Fayre

Next Sunday 29th November following the 11am Mass.

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MUCH NEEDED DONATIONS.

We are looking for donations of:

Fancy goods / gift items

🍾 Bottles of wine, beer, spirits, fizz, cans of pop etc.

🍫 Chocolate and gifts for the Tombola

🎨 Craft stall items

🧸 Toys and games (good condition only)

📚 Books, CDs and records (no videos please)

🎟️ Raffle prizes

🎁 New Christmas gifts

🎂 Cakes, bakes and festive treats

(please can all you wonderful bakers in the parish bring your cakes to the parish centre on Saturday 28th after 4pm or any time on the day)

Please keep the other goodies coming up to Saturday 28th

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What's on in the Parish Centre this week

Day	Activity	Time
Sun	Childrens Liturgy	10.00am
Wed	Refreshments following Mass for the Dead	7.30pm
Thurs	Happy Little Signers	9.30am
Fri	Mums & Tots	9.30am
Fri	St Nicks Alumni Choir	7.00pm
Sun	Christmas Fayre	12.00pm

Sat 21/11	**9.00am**	Holy Mass.	Vincent Gorman *(Recovery)*
Sat 21/11	**10.00am**	**PEP First Forgiveness**	
Sat 21/11	6:30pm	**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe**	***Day of Special Prayer for Young People*** Jim Strong RIP *(B'day)*
Sun 22/11	9.00am	**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe**	***Day of Special Prayer for Young People*** ***St Margaret's***
Sun 22/11	11.00am	**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe**	***Day of Special Prayer for Young People*** **PEP Celebration**
Mon 23/11		No Mass or Service	
Tues 24/11	9.00am	Holy Mass	Kenneth John Page RIP
Tues 24/11	11.30am	Holy Mass **St Margarets**	
Wed 25/11	6.30pm	**Holy Mass for the Dead**	
Thurs 26/11	9.00am	Holy Mass **School**	Souls who have no one to pray for them
Fri 27/11	9.00am	Holy Mass	Page Family Int
Sat 28/11	10.00am	Holy Mass.	
Sat 28/11	6:30pm	Holy Mass. **First Sunday of Advent**	Michael & Rosemary Tolkien
Sun 29/11	9.00am	Holy Mass. **First Sunday of Advent**	***St Margaret's***
Sun 29/11	11.00am	Holy Mass. **First Sunday of Advent**	PEP Certificate Presentation

Almighty God, We thank you for your gift of peace.
Your peace is 'unarmed and disarming' not victory or defeat, but fraternity and dialogue, the fruit of justice and forgiveness.
Open our eyes to see the world - not from the viewpoint of the mighty but from that of the widow, the orphan, the stranger, the wounded child, the exile and the fugitive.
We pray for change to come - a new era, the dawn of your kingdom of justice and peace.
Disarm our hearts, Lord, that we may have peace in ourselves and bring that gift to others. Amen. ***Pax Christi***

Prayer for Peace - The Chaplet of St Michael The Archangel



Every Thursday Evening - 6.00pm on Zoom. Please join us to pray fo
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	Anniversaries	Anniversaries
Charles Reid	Margaret Mc Dermott	Mary Ellen Nolan
John Duffy	Joseph Brookfield	Desmond Spilsbury
Jimmy Crawley	Mary Hancock	Aleksander Alderman
Clifford Hatton	John Dutton	Sheila Bagshaw
Winifred Bailey	Martin McNeela	Margaret English
John Murray	Mary Labedz	Rev John Lomas (Deacon)
Agnes Cregg	Andy Clarke	Rev James McGinley
Vincent McGillen	Bridget Egan	Rev. John Conway (Deacon)
Michael O'Donnell	Liam Flynn	Rev Peter O'Neill
		Rev Norman Keen



Please pray for those who have died recently especially Maureen Ferris, Patricia Gallimore, Teodoro Martone, Ursula Finn & Kenneth John Page

Also for those who are sick at home and in hospital, especially:
Joan Lloyd, Sue McNeil, David Stephens, Margaret Scarlett, John Brazier, Deacon Peter Mascarenhas, Sr Kay Harte, Lupita & Edward Edwards, Gerry Tarpey, Pat Bomford & Bill & Carole Browne