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- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT 2ND APRIL 2017

Saturday 1st April

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish - **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 2nd April

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Mae Dunne's Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Joanne Peppitt

Monday 3rd April

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Private Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. NO MASS
Requiem Mass 12 NOON Catherine Kodicek

Tuesday 4th April - St Isidore

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Stephen Jones RIP
St. Theresa's 6.30 p.m. The Faithful Departed

Wednesday 5th April - St Vincent Ferrer

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Rita Brophy
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Priest's Intention

Followed by Stations of the Cross

Thursday 6th April

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Private Intention (EML)
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Nellie Marsden

Friday 7th April - St John Baptist de la Salle

St Theresa's 8.00-8.55a.m. Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St Columba's 7.00 p.m. Sr. Hilda Wilkinson A.

Followed by Stations of the Cross

Saturday 8th April

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. The Faithful Departed
St Columba's 6.30 p.m. Ronnie Williams -**Vigil Mass**

Sunday 9th April – Palm Sunday

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions
St Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

PALM SUNDAY 11.00 A.M. MASS

A procession into Church will take place at 11.00 a.m.
Mass on Palm Sunday. Please can we all congregate in the
Front Porch at the beginning of Mass.

MORNING PRAYER (St Columba's):

At 9.00 a.m. before the Blessed Sacrament in the Iona
Chapel, Monday through to Thursday, except Wednesdays,
when Morning Prayer will commence at 8.50 a.m. followed
at 9.10 a.m. by Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual
Succour prior to Mass.

CONFESSIONS:

St. Columba's: Between 6.00 p.m. and 6.25 p.m. before the
Vigil Mass. At other times by arrangement with Fr.
Jonathan.

St. Theresa's: After weekday Mass and arrangement with Fr.
Isidore.

BAPTISMS:

St. Columba's: By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Jonathan
to arrange a date, please contact Claire O'Donnell 07743 704383.
St. Theresa's: Please contact Fr. Isidore to arrange.
We welcome in to God's family, Gracie & Noah Artell who were
baptised here recently. May God bless them and their families.

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for Doreen Granger and Catherine Kodicek. May the
Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their family and friends.
Catherine's Funeral Service is at St. Columba's on Monday 3rd
April at 12 noon and Doreen's Funeral Service is at St Theresa's
on Tuesday 11th April at 1.30 p.m. May they rest in peace.

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Mary Kiernan, Thomas Edward Hill, Ena O'Flynn, Carlo
Lanzetta, John Coppie, Annie Rowlands, Stephen Andrew
O'Brien, Doreen Carrington, Joseph Logan, Margaret Jones, Hugh
Gale, Thomas Townson, Norma Kirwan, Frank McNamara,
Frank Sullivan, Frances Fearon, Margaret Beckett, Mabel
Josphine Douglas, Kathleen Frances Blohm, Anna Maria Borg,
Vincentius Dilworth D. Keogh, Stan Smith, Ann Houghton,
Joan Irene Wells, Isiah O'Grady, Percy Massey, George Shirley,
Agnes Mary Johnston, Ellen Langford, William Jeffs, Dorothy
Jean Roberts, Winifride Pauline Boot, Bernard McAlinden, Mary
Pearse, Leonard Dagger, Helen Webster, Florence Jane Worrall,
James Loughlin, Anne Marie Fearon, Elizabeth Evans, Herbert
Clarke, Hermon Siddall, Robert McMahon, Florence Mary
Jewsbury, Kathleen Ann Thomas, Joan and Vic Iddow.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Adam Sykes, William Fitzpatrick, Agnes Dixon, Joan Ward,
Kathleen Veronica Tranter, Joseph Herbert, Lita Wilcock,
Dorothy Grace Green, David Joseph Kavanagh, Helen Veronica
Chesters, Richard Adrian Littler, Michael Mortimer, William
Reginald Eyton, Edward Scanlan.

HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 6th April
at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester hospital Chapel. This is for
patients/outpatients, staff, families and friends, and the wellbeing
of our hospitals, including the Bowmere. All are welcome.

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose Plate: £463.90; Planned Giving £475.75
Average Weekly Standing Orders £720.00; Candles: £53.15;
Missionary Sisters Donation £521.56

St Theresa's: Loose Plate and Planned Giving £343.70 Average
Weekly Standing Orders £130. *Thank you for your continued
generosity.*

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

2nd April Marie Cunniff Ronald McDonald House Charities
9th April Palm Sunday Any Volunteers?
16th April Easter Sunday Any Volunteers? Tea, coffee and juice are available in the hall. All welcome.
The 2017 coffee rota is 'pinned up' in the hall. There are a few vacancies. If anyone wishes to make teas and coffees after the 11am Mass to support a charity of their own choice please phone Marg Curtis 318424.

St Theresa's:

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Parish Club after 9.30am Mass. All very welcome.

EASTER FLOWER COLLECTION:

There will be a collection after all Masses next weekend towards the cost of flowers for the Easter season and the coming year.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued generosity, which enables us to decorate the Church throughout the coming year.

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray:

- For the residents of Broadway West, totland grove and Derwent Road.
- For the Zoo, all those who work there and a deeper awareness of our environment.

2016 APF RESULTS:

Overall the grand total for all dioceses in England & Wales was £3,039,531

St. Columba's Collections raised: £1734.00

The Association for the Propagation of the Faith would like to thank the parishioners for their continued support. You have made a huge difference. More information in the front porch of St. Columba's church.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

We are holding a "Dinner For Syria" on **Friday 21st April** at 7:30 pm in St. Columba's Church Hall. Tickets are £5 and available to buy by contacting: Mary Briody, (After 5.00 p.m.) 01244-401317; Paul Wrigglesworth, 01244-382457 or Ann McCarthy, 01244-375606.

Dates For Your Diary:

Sunday 14th May Spring Fayre, St. Theresa's Parish Centre after 09:30 Mass.

Sunday 11th June Annual BBQ to celebrate the Anniversary of St. Columba.

Friday 16th June Family Bingo Night 7pm St Columba's Parish Hall

Friday 28th July Annual coach trip to York

CONGRATULATIONS:

We wish Mae Dunne a very happy 100th birthday and hope she enjoyed her day yesterday. Prayers and good wishes from everyone at St Theresa's and St Columba's.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

The CWL would like to thank parishioners from St Theresa's Church for their generous support at our recently held coffee and cake morning. All monies raised will be donated to charities.

EASTER SERVICES AT ST. THERESA'S:

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers are needed for the Triduum Services over Easter. Please put your name against when you are available on the list at the back of church. Also we require

some volunteers to put their names on the list to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday (men & women)

If you require a lift to St Columba's for the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday please put your name on the list at the back of church. Thank you.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THE CHRISM MASS:

Please note that due to building delays, the Chrism Mass this year will not now be celebrated in the Cathedral as planned but will be held on Wednesday 12th April at 7.00 p.m. at **St Michael & All Angels, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead.**

BLACON SILVER SCREEN:

April's film screening is called 'Risen' and tells the Easter story from the point of view of the Centurion tasked with ensuring the body of Jesus does not get stolen.

It is a very powerful film, thoroughly recommended. It will be shown on **Tuesday 4th April**, 10.00 at Blacon URC, 121 Saughall Road CH1 5ET. Donation of £4 per person including refreshments. All welcome. Further information about the film at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Risen_\(2016_film\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Risen_(2016_film))

CLEANERS' ROTA B (ST. THERESA'S)

OFFICE DESK:

Office Desk in need of home. Please ring Sue Carr 01244 312892 or speak to Sue in Hall after 11.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK, 24-29 APRIL:

Fully escorted 5 Night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland. £649 per person sharing, to include flight and transfers, 5 nights' in newly refurbished Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening, plus entertainment, excursions and guided tours. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com See posters in the churches and on the parish website.

SVP HOLIDAY HOME:

The SVP Holiday Home on the North Wales Coast is available to friends and families of St Teresa's and St Columba's Parish for the six weeks this year. This very well equipped static caravan on a high quality site is free of charge for a family or small group (max 6) who would not otherwise be able to have a holiday. Transport to and from the site is normally available. For more details please contact Stephen Perry on 01244 851204 or svpchester@gmail.com

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH & HALL BOOKINGS:

If you wish to arrange meetings etc. In either the Church or the Iona Chapel, please make a booking through Carol Galvin, Church Office: 01244 624019, email stcolumbaschurch2016@outlook.com

For all Hall bookings & enquiries please contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Muriel Green, 01244-383836, email muriel.green1@btinternet.com

Items for inclusion can be left in the Sacristy at either church.

Please ensure that all items are in place by 9.00 a.m. on

Thursday. Please include a phone number in case of queries.

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