

Catholic Churches of St Columba and St Theresa



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

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2nd OCTOBER 2016

Saturday 1st October: St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

St. Theresa's 10.00 am The Faithful Departed
St. Columba's 6.30 pm Austin Pinnington **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 2nd October:

St. Theresa's 9.30 am Parishioners' Intentions
2.00 pm Mass for Sick & Housebound
St. Columba's 11.00 am The Parish

Monday 3rd October:

St. Columba's 9.15 am Joyce Bownas
St. Theresa's 2.00 pm School celebration for the
Feast of St. Theresa.
7.30 pm Parishioners' Intentions

Tuesday 4th October: St. Francis of Assisi

St. Columba's 9.15 am Catherine "Winnie" Brandon
St. Theresa's 6.30 pm Private Intention.

Wednesday 5th October: St. Thomas of Hereford

St Columba's 9.15 am Frank Queenan A.
St Theresa's 7.00 pm Bradshaw & Millington Ints.

Thursday 6th October:

St Theresa's 9.00 am Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 am John Newton

Friday 7th October: Our Lady of the Rosary

St. Theresa's 8-8.55am Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
9.00 am The Faithful Departed
St. Columba's 7.00 pm Private Intentions

Saturday 8th October:

St. Theresa's 10.00 am Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30 pm The Parish – **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 9th October:

St. Theresa's 9.30 am Dorothy Groom RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 am Maureen Maiden

BAPTISMS:

St. Columba's: By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Jonathan to fix a date, contact Claire O'Donnell 07743704383 (text or 'phone).

St. Theresa's: To arrange a Baptism please contact Fr. Isidore.

- Congratulations to the Gough family whose little daughter Megan Jade is to be baptised at St. Columba's this Sunday. Congratulations from all in the parish. Please keep the Goughs in your prayers.

MORNING PRAYER (St. Columba's):

At 9.00 a.m. before the Blessed Sacrament in the Iona Chapel, Monday 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.

CONFESSION:

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: Confessions are heard after every weekday Mass.

LATELY DEAD:

Please remember in your prayers Gary Redrup, and also his family. His funeral service is at Blacon Crematorium on **Thursday 6th October** at 9.20 a.m. May he rest in peace.

Please pray for the family and friends of Mary-Catherine Carney, who died recently. Her funeral is at St. Columba's on **Tuesday 11th October** at 11.00 a.m. May she rest in peace.

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Joseph Crimes, Patrick Patten, Margaret Murray, Austin Pinnington, June Semenzato, Marie Tobin, Eric Melia, Patricia Holloway, Jack Derbyshire, Doreen Nicholls, Joyce Bownas, Annie Brennan, John Cotgrove, Ellen Barlow, Anthony John Baker, Gale Bunker, Frank Queenan, Kathleen Galvin, Rev. Allan John Collina, Patrick Ryan, Anthony Lavender, Kathleen (Doris) Gallagher, Patricia O'Gorman, Veronica Maguire, McNamara, Mary Southall, Patrick Joseph Hickey, Michael John Avery, Dennis O'Loughlin, Katherine Doran, Dorothy Maude Murphy, Anthony Marshall, Frank Stone, Guiseppe De Riso, Fanny Pratt, William Egerton, William (Billy) Harrison, Eric Hill.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Eric Hocking, Jeremiah Keating, Eric Melia, Hugh Dowd, Margaret Mary Clarke, John Derbyshire, Veronica Thomas, Frances Davies, Margaret Ann Mullarkey, Mary Dorothy Groom, John Anthony Davies, George McFarlane, Patricia Senhorinho, Antonia Lindop, Mary Padkow-ka, Thomas Boden, Mary Dutton, Joseph Edwards, Walter Harrison

MASS FOR SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

This will be at St Theresa's **this Sunday, 2nd October** at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £416.45, Planned Giving £389.90, Average Weekly Standing Orders £720.00. Candles: £37.20
St. Theresa's: £308.47 plus standing order average of £130.00.

ANNUAL COUNT:

Please note over the next four weeks there will be the annual head count. Please will the Collectors of the Offertory baskets do their usual count. Many thanks.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTAS (St. Theresa's):

The new rotas are now available in the sacristy.

CLEANERS' ROTA D (St. Theresa's)

NEW SVP CONFERENCE FOR THE PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA & ST. THERESA:

The SVP will be making an appeal at all the Sunday Masses this weekend at St. Theresa's and St. Columba's for new members, with a view of starting a new conference for the newly combined parishes.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

2nd October **Macmillan Coffee Morning – please do come and support our part in the national fundraising event!**

8th October Any Volunteers?

16th October 21st Chester Guide Group

Tea, coffee and juice will be served in the Hall after the 11 o'clock Mass. All are welcome.

St. Theresa's: Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Parish Club after 9:30 a.m. Mass. All are very welcome.

FEAST OF ST. THERESA:

Please do join us for Mass at 7.30pm on **Monday, 3rd October** at St. Theresa's, followed by a shared table in the Parish Centre.

HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday 6th October** 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.

HARVEST FAST DAY, FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER:

The CAFOD Harvest Fast Day envelopes are available this weekend, in readiness for the Harvest Fast Day on **Friday 7th October**. You will see that the envelopes are in two-parts – the "Give Today" envelope is for one-off donations, while the "Give Regularly" envelope is the one to use if you wish to start a regular donation. The "Give Today" envelopes can be returned in the offertory baskets next weekend. The "Give Regularly" pre-paid envelopes are for returning direct to CAFOD.

- **Harvest offerings.** Thank you for your donations last Sunday of produce, preserves and plants, and to those who bought them. £58.57 has been sent to CAFOD for their work with those suffering from severe poverty in the developing world. Thank you also for your extra donations to the Foodbank collection, helping to relieve hunger and hardship nearer to home.
- Thank you to Morrisons for the gift of the Harvest Bread.

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Church Lane, Nield Court and Grangeside.
- For the church organists and music leaders, for the ministry of music in our worship.

PRAYER FOR PRISONERS AND THEIR DEPENDANTS:

Next Sunday, 9th October, is a Day of Special Prayer for prisoners and their dependants.

TALK BY STEPHEN TWIGG MP:

Stephen Twigg chairs the Commons Select Committee on International Development. He is giving a talk on the wide-ranging work of that committee, including its oversight of the government's Department for International Development (DfID). All are welcome to this talk: 7.00pm on **Friday 7th October**, Binks Building, University of Chester (off Parkgate Road).

DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENT, "BE APOSTLES OF MERCY":

This is an opportunity to celebrate being a young Catholic in the Year of Mercy. Open to all those in Year 10 and above, the event is being held on **Sunday 9th October** from 1.30 to 5.00 p.m. at Our Lady's Church in Ellesmere Port. The afternoon will include the celebration of Mass with Bishop Mark. Registration is essential, please email helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org and let us know you are coming! See poster on the parish website.

TALKS ON THE PERSECUTED CHURCH:

Please join the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) and Bishop Mark Davies at St. Columba's for an evening of talks given by Archbishop Sebastian Shaw, Lahore, Pakistan and Sister Annie Demerjian from Aleppo in Syria. The talks will take place from 7.30-9:30 pm on **Tuesday 11th October**. This event will be an opportunity to learn more about and to reflect upon the crisis Christians are facing around the world today.

QUIZ EVENING, FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER:

Over the last few years, a Quiz Evening, arranged on behalf of Churches Together in Upton, has proved very popular and sociable. It is hosted by St. Columba's and will be held in our Hall, starting at 7.30 p.m. Tables of six, admission on the door £1, bring your own wine. Further information on the posters

RED MISSION BOXES (St. Columba's):

Could those who hold Red Mission Boxes please bring them to the Sacristy in order for Margaret Curtis (01244 318424) to collect. You can collect your emptied box from the table in the rear porch. Thank you all for your continuing support.

BADMINTON:

The Wednesday morning and Thursday evening badminton sessions resume on 5th and 6th October. Newcomers very welcome. Phone 01244 383660 (Christine).

CHARITY BIKE RIDE:

Heather Lannin has just completed a 153 mile charity cycle ride from Liverpool Dock to Grimsby Dock. She is raising money for orphan kids' school fees, a place for a young man Peter in a workshop so he can make furniture to sell, & to help rebuild a storm damaged rural classroom - all that she directly knows of. If anyone would like to give please donate to: justgiving.com/crowdfunding/heather-lannin-239 Any problems ring 0784 062 1878. A big Thank You from all the kids !

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 and enquiries please contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Eileen Irwin, 01244 371660, e-mail: st.theresas@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.