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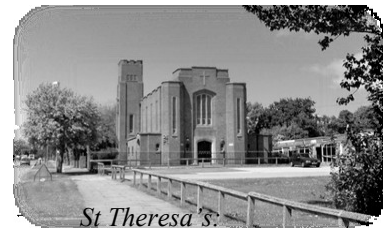
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- ❖ Chester Hospitals' Chaplaincy: Tel: 01244 364543, answer phone available.
- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD 6th AUGUST 2017

Saturday 5th August

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Special Intention
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. Roman Boryslawski
Vigil Mass

Sunday 6th August

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

Monday 7th August

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Vocations

Tuesday 8th August – St. Dominic

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Ellen Lally
St. Theresa's 6.30 p.m. Joe Mackie RIP

Wednesday 9th August – St. Theresa Benedicta of The Cross (Edith Stein) V.M.

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Rev Jack McLeish
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Jean Bourne RIP

Thursday – 10th August – St. Lawrence

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Special Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Frank Meehan

Friday 11th August – St. Clare, C.

St Theresa's 8-8.55a.m. Expos. of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Millington & Bradshaw Int.
St Columba's 7.00 p.m. **NO MASS**

Saturday 12th August

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Parishioner's Intentions
St Columba's 6.30 p.m. Frederick & Joan Hodson
Vigil Mass

Sunday 13th August

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Bill Bailey
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

MORNING PRAYER (St Columba's):

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

BAPTISMS:

St Columba's: By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Jonathan to arrange a date, please contact Claire O'Donnell 07743 704383 (text or 'phone').

St Theresa's: Please contact Mike Maxwell 01244 881425.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £348.42; Planned Giving £437.27 ; Average Weekly Standing Orders £735.00: Candles £56.18.

St Theresa's: £308.50 Average weekly standing orders £130.00.

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Thomas John Dunne, Raymond Martin, John Randle, Patrick Cunniff, Alfred Moore, Frank Morley, Kathleen O'Connell, Mary Alice Lennon, Elizabeth Harvey, Hodkinson, Bep Le Miere, Winifred McCaffery, Teresa Howard, Jenny Harris, May Walsh, Gerry Hynes, Gordon Edward Townson, Michael Hanratty, Bertha Cummings, Barbara Knight, Ellen Joan Astbury, Catherine Josephine Foster, Jane Wilbraha, John Edward (Jack) Harley, Beatrice Frances Dunne, Patricia Joan Shone, Bill Bailey.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Clifford Smith, Elizabeth Lloyd-Davies, Janet McHugh, John Dunne, Harold Dutton, James Barnes, Christine Mosinski, Lilian Mary Rogers, Margaret Oldman, Stuart James Parkinson, Kate Smith, Graham Thompson, Brian Lewis Sweeney, Joseph Anthony McHugh, Marie Hopley, Terence Waters.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Acres Lane, Alwyn Gardens, Brooke Avenue, Venables Road, St Chad's Road, Church Hall Close and Cedar Mews.
- For the clergy of the Churches in Upton and for their congregations.

ST. COLUMBA'S THIRD WORLD PROJECTS:

We have recently been able to send off £300 to each of our three parish projects: Bro. James Kimpton in South India, Fr. John Kirwan in the Democratic Republic of Congo, and OAKS in Bo, Sierra Leone. Many thanks to parishioners who donate through the wall boxes in both porches and through standing orders. Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

6th August Heather Lannin Sierra Leone Projects

13th August CWL Parish

20th August SPUC SPUC

Tea, coffee and juice are served in the Hall after the 11.00 am Mass. All are welcome.

St Theresa's:

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

ST. COLUMBA'S GARDENS:

Until recently the gardening club used to meet on the first Saturday of every month to keep the gardens and surrounds tidy. Unfortunately, the group who did this are no longer able to keep this up for a variety of reasons. Therefore, we are looking for volunteers to take on the maintenance of the garden and surround, this could be individuals or groups some of who may like to responsible for only one part of the gardens – and this kind of volunteering could count towards the DofE awards scheme. The activity would not necessarily have to be on a Saturday. If you are interested please contact Paul Wrigglesworth on 01244 382457.

NEWSLETTER ROTA:

An updated rota for the preparation of the weekly newsletter for St. Columba's and St. Theresa's starts next week. We are very pleased to welcome a new member onto the rota: Amy O'Donnell from St. Theresa's. We now have 8 members: Alison Wrigglesworth, Ann Siddall, Amy O'Donnell, Bernard Payne, Eileen Irwin, Harry Sweeney, Muriel Green, and Rebecca Vaughan. Each newsletter gives contact details for the following week's editor, but for any general comments or queries relating to the newsletters please contact Bernard Payne, 01244 350323, email bernard.payne691@btinternet.com

ANNIVERSARIES:

Due to the limitation of space in the joint newsletter, it has been suggested that instead of listing all the anniversaries for both Parishes in the newsletter, which over time is getting longer and longer that we:-

1 Either Put a standard item in the newsletter EACH week to this effect:-

“Please pray for all anniversaries occurring this week and those who appear in our Anniversary Book”

OR

2. We just list entries in the newsletter for the last ten years.

Please email the Parish Office with your thoughts and feedback about this proposal.

HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI FLOWER MEMORIAL:

8-9p.m on **Sunday 6th August**, meeting at the Bandstand on The Groves Chester. To remember all those who dies and suffered as a result of the atomic bombs dropped in 1945, and in the firm belief that it must never happen again. All are welcome to meet for readings, a period of silent reflection and the dropping of flowers on the river. Bring white flowers if you wish.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on **Thursday, 10th August**, starting at 7.30 p.m. in 10 Totland Grove, Newton, CH2 2EY.

ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. THERESA'S:

Starting from **7th August**, there will be live entertainment every Monday afternoon from 1.00 – 5.00 pm in St Theresa's Social Club. All from St. Theresa's, St. Columba's and any other parish are welcome. It will be a good place to meet, be entertained and be a part of a beautiful gathering. The music will be provided by “Caubeen” with an Irish and Country flavour. £2 entry per person.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH PASTORAL MEETING:

These are available on the notice board at the back of church.

ST THERESA'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

This will start again in September.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - THANK YOU:

Thank you very much for your kind and generous donations to the July collection of toiletries for people being supported by Chester Aid to the Homeless. They are being put to good use and are very much appreciated.

MENINGITIS NOW -COFFEE MORNING TOTAL:

Once again my sincere thanks to all who supported my coffee morning in memory of my son Richard and his friend Helen who died of Meningitis in 2001. They are still greatly missed. Having added all the donations from my friends and the parishioners TOGETHER we have raised the magnificent sum of £698.25

A brilliant effort! Thank you and God bless. Cathy Murphy

CHESTER CAFOD SUPPORT GROUP'S STRAWBERRY TEA:

Many, many thanks to everyone who supported this event on 23rd July – the cake makers, those who came to eat them, the helpers and those who made donations. See the church website for photos or the back of St Theresa's church. Special thanks to Amelia, Gracie, Lucy, Dylan, Ben and Grace, (the youngsters from St Theresa's) who helped to serve. We were so lucky with the weather and an amazing total of £354.00 was raised for CAFOD.

CLEANERS ROTA B (ST THERESA'S):

We would welcome another couple of people to make up a 4th team, which would everyone would only have to clean the church once a month. Please contact the office on 01244 371660 if you can help.

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 Bernard Payne tel: 01244 350323 e-mail: bernard.payne691@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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