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32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. 6th NOVEMBER 2016

Saturday 5th November:

St. Theresa's 10.00 am Private Intention
St. Columba's 6.30 pm The Parish **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 6th November:

St. Theresa's 9.30 am Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 am Bill Roberts

Monday 7th November:

St Theresa's 9.00am Holy Souls
St. Columba's 9.15 am Secular Fund

Tuesday 8th November:

St. Columba's 9.15 am Fr John Campbell RIP
St. Theresa's 6.30 pm Private Intention

Wednesday 9th November (Dedication of the Basilica of St John Lateran):

St Columba's 9.15 am Bernard McCaron RIP
St Theresa's 7.00pm Holy Souls

Thursday 10th November (St Leo the Great):

St Theresa's 9.00 am Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 am November Dead List

Friday 11th November (St Martin of Tours):

St. Theresa's 8-8.55am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00 am Thomas McLoughlin
St. Columba's 7.00 pm November Dead List

Saturday 12th November (St Josaphat):

St. Theresa's 10.00 am Holy Souls
St. Columba's 6.30 pm Gary Redrup **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 13th November:

St. Theresa's 9.30 am Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 am Joan Jones

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.

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: To arrange a Baptism please contact Fr Isidore.

VOTIVE CANDLES:

At St Theresa's you will find these in both of the side altars at the front of the Church.

CONFESSIONS:

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

St. Theresa's: Confessions are heard after every weekday Mass.

WELCOME!

We welcome Revd. Frs. Mark and James from the Spiritans who will be celebrating Masses this weekend and through the coming week while Fr. Jonathan is away.

ST COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Gerald Finan, John Gordon Sands, Arnold Whittaker, Margaret (Peggy) Mary Walker, Arthur Kavanagh, Emily Burton, Ivan Tate, Alison Riva, Michael Joseph Wolfe, Eva Adams, Mary Chambers, Bob Croft, Trevor Price, Paul Harrison, Marie Teresa Sheridan, Michael Heffernan, Deanna Morgan, Tessa Stacey, Therese Steczyn, Robert Jones, Maria Bullen, Joseph Patrick Barlow, Stephen Augustine Pendlebury, Anthony Francis Devine, Lionel Dean, Thomas Leslie Borrows, Gregory Morns, Greg Morns, Margaret Mary Norbury, Sheila Maureen Austin, Charles Huxley, Denis Tobin, Theresa Hanratty, Kathleen Stanley, Mabel Bennett O'Kelly, Bertie Bond, Mavis Skinner, May McLoughlin, Jim Fennell, Mary Francis, Beatrice Mary Rimmer, Derek Fay, Nicholas Lancaster, Audrey Lee, Lynval Brown, Hubert Douglas, Doreen Bird, James Tildesley, William McGarty, Rosaleen Fenna, Matthew Pithers.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: William McGarty, Rosaleen Fenna, Matthew Pithers, Joyce Rose, Wilfred Jones, Elsie Fox, David Evans, Thomas Maloney, Anne Phillips-Jones, Robert Joseph Robinson, William Bird, Joseph Tansey, Marian Lindop, Thomas Finney, Agnes Baskerville.

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:

During November we are invited to pray especially for the Faithful Departed in our Parish. A November Dead List will be placed before the Altar during the month of November.

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose Plate £394.94 Planned Giving £459.40, Average Weekly Standing Orders £720.00, Candles: £93.93.

St Theresa's: £319.89 plus average weekly standing orders £130.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

6th Nov SPUC SPUC
13th Nov CWL CWL
20th Nov Autumn Fayre!

Tea, coffee and juice are served in the Hall after both Sunday Masses. All are welcome.

St Theresa's:

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

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Bache Drive, Dulas Court, Birch Rise, Long Lane and Mallard Court.
- For the ACF, Friendship Group, MOT Group and Catholic Women's League.
- For all catering staff and those who make refreshments after the services.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN UPTON:

A Remembrance Service will be held on **Sunday, 13th November** at Holy Ascension Church, Upton. All parishioners are welcome to attend. The service starts at 6.30pm

POSTCARD EVENT:

The event for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will now take place over the weekend of **12th/13th November**. You are invited to fill in the postcards which are available in the church porches, asking our MP to act to protect unborn babies. Please leave completed postcards in the porches. Thank you.

READINGS FOR ADVENT:

A series of talks on the readings for the Sundays of Advent commences on **Tuesday 22nd November** at 6.30 p.m. in the Iona Chapel, when we'll be looking at the readings for the first Sunday of Advent.. The talks are intended mainly for Readers, especially those reading during Advent, but a warm welcome is extended to all interested parishioners. You don't have to come every week, just drop in when you can. See the Notice Boards for more details.

ST. COLUMBA'S GIFT AID 2015-16:

The Diocese has advised us that the total refunded to St Columba's by HMRC for Gift Aid for the tax year 2015-16 was £12,431.50. This has been credited to the parish's Central Fund held by the Diocese. Many thanks to all of you who make your contribution to the parish through the Gift Aid scheme. If you would like to hear more about this scheme and perhaps to join it, please contact David Savage on 01244 380626.

ST. WERBURGH'S GREAT WAR PROJECT:

Talk and film in St. Werburgh's Church at 3.00pm on **Sunday 6th November**. It shows how the lives of over 100 parishioners who died, were uncovered, as well as work on Belgian refugees in Chester and the lives of the Irish in Boughton. Entrance and refreshments are free of charge.

DRIVER REQUIRED:

The Shrewsbury Diocesan Commercial Company requires a driver aged 25+ to drive a Company van for the collection and delivery of food and catering equipment to venues throughout the Diocese. This is a part time post. For more details and initial consultation please contact Mr Phil Black, Catering Operations Manager on 07932 669658.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE APPEAL:

Thank you for all the donations made via the wallboxes to this special CAFOD appeal. This is the last weekend the boxes will be reserved for this purpose - they will then revert to their ongoing use for donations to the parish-supported Third World projects.

CAFOD - LAMPEDUSA CROSS CARDS:

You may remember seeing a Lampedusa Cross in Church in September. The cross was made from the wreckage of a boat carrying the refugees that sank off the island of Lampedusa. Such crosses were offered to the survivors as a sign of hope. CAFOD have produced cards on which you can write a short message of hope to refugees. These will be presented to Bishop Mark at a dedication service in Shrewsbury Cathedral at 3.30pm on **Saturday, 12th November**, where the messages will be blessed before being distributed to refugees in UK and around the world.

The cards are available in a basket at the back of Church and can be left in the basket on completion. See St. Columba's website photo gallery for more information on the Lampedusa Cross.

CLEANERS' ROTA D (St. Theresa's)

LOOP SYSTEM & SOUND SYSTEM:

Hopefully you will notice an improvement in the sound system at St Theresa's and that the loop system is up and running. Please let us know your comments.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on **Thursday, 10th November** starting at 7.30pm in 10, Totland Grove, Newton, Chester CH2 2EY

NEW PARISH GROUP:

A new parish group is forming to offer help to local people in need. It will be meeting from 7pm til 8pm on Tuesdays in November at St Theresa's Presbytery and at the same time on Tuesdays in December in St Columba's Iona Chapel. Just turn up or contact 0151-355 0867 davidfarrellsvp@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' ROTA (St Theresa's):

The new rotas are now available in the sacristy. If there are any ministers not already on the rota and wishing to do so, please ring 371660 and leave your name and number.

FINANCE MANAGER, DIOCESE OF SALFORD:

Salford Diocese are advertising the post of Finance Manager for the Diocese. Full details are on the notice board - and also on our parish website. The closing date for applications is Monday 21st November.

THANK YOU:

Eileen and Lawrence Hordley send their heartfelt thanks to all for Masses, cards and good wishes sent to mark the occasion of their Golden Wedding. Much appreciated.

NATIONAL YOUTH EVENTS:

Bookings are now open for FLAME 111 which takes place on Saturday 11th March 2017 at The SSE Arena, Wembley. Please see Notice Board at back of Church for further information.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY:

This takes place on the Solemnity of Christ the King. For further information, please see Notice Board at the back of the Church.

TOILETS:

At present the toilet at St Theresa's is outside, it can be accessed by going through the gate at the right hand side of the church, between the club and the church, the toilet is at the end of the building on the left.

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

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NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Brian Webster, 01244 851026,

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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.