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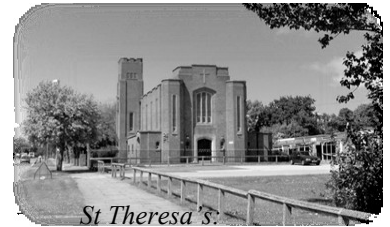
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- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

23RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 10TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Saturday 9th September

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Special Intention
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. Geraldine Booth - **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 10th September

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

Monday 11th September

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

Tuesday 12th September – Most Holy Name of Mary

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Thanksgiving NDC & JC
St. Theresa's 6.30 pm Special Intention

Wednesday 13th September – St John Chrysostom BD

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Fr. Leo Wilkinson
St. Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Graham Walton RIP

Thursday 14th September- Exaltation of The Holy Cross

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. The Faithful Departed
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Teddy Humphrey

Friday 15th September – Our Lady of Sorrows

St. Theresa's 8-8.55a.m. Expos. of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Charles Woods RIP
St. Columba's 7.00p.m. Vocations

Saturday 16th Sept - SS Cornelius PM & Cyprian BM

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

Sunday 17th September

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Kay & Graham George's Int.
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Joseph Marsden

EXPOSITION & MORNING PRAYER - ST. COLUMBA:

Exposition before the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 8.10 a.m., followed by Morning Prayer, at 9.00 a.m., Monday to Thursday, except Wednesday 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.

BAPTISMS:

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

Congratulations to the McGoldrick family as Lucas Thomas is baptised at St. Columba's this Sunday. We pray for the latest addition to the parish family.

St. Theresa's: To arrange a Baptism please contact Mike Maxwell on 01244 881425.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £415.57, Planned Giving: £349.12, Average Weekly Standing Orders: £735.00, Candles: £48.69, Badminton Group £150.

St. Theresa's: £317.32

LATELY DEAD:

Josie Taylor would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards and kind wishes on the recent death of Stephen.

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Sheila Williamson, Dorothy Harrop, Lionel John Sheridan, Philomena Byrne, Dorothea Steiner, Dorothy Tierney, Jenny Harris, Joseph Reginald Dunne, Catherine Frances Hewitt, Mary McPherson, Maureen Maiden, Norah Veronica Lester, Mary Margaret Pengelly, Donald John Reddy, Nancy Banks, Paul Bowler, Christopher Dutton, Robert Marsden, Henry Morgan, Patricia Galvin, Arthur Peacock, Catherine White, Eileen Reynard, Susan Marie Beavan, Hannah Connolly, Jane Abbott, Gerald Tilston, Eileen Arden, Anna Mary Wright, Ann McCarthy, Anthony Wolfe, Rev. John E. Williams, Joseph Ryan, Gloria Mary Durick, Sydney Bronley, Keith Wallis, Kevin Kavanagh, Wallawa Jalzabek, John Collins, Phyllis Mary Galvin, Peter McLean, John McLoughlin, Amelia Puzzuto, Joseph Jones, Catherine (Kitty) Kane, Thomas Anthony Chambers, Murial Williams, Eileen Letitia Jones.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Kathleen O'Hanlon, Brenda McGrath, Carol Ann Crimes, Aiden Patrick McAssey, Margaret Neilson Anthony, Nora Veronica Lester, John Phillips, John Francis Killet, Grace Sweeney, Joseph Patrick Warrington, Richard Edwin Jones, Joan Margaret Mary Wood.

BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

Thank you to everyone who came to the first United Service to be held at St Theresa's last Sunday, and special thanks to all who helped and contributed to a very successful and enjoyable afternoon.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Hatton Road, Pulford Road, Leaside Road, Fernhill Road, Daleside, Meadowsway and Queensway.
- Our junior and infant schools: Acresfield, Upton Heath, Mill View, Westlea, Dorin Park and St Werburgh's and St Columba's. Also schools in Newton, Guilden Sutton and Mickle Trafford.
- The teachers and pupils that they will be open to the Christian teaching they receive.
- Our local clergy as they lead assemblies.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

10th Sept Catholic High School PTA Parish
17th Sept Sue Carr Third World
24th Sept HARVEST FESTIVAL
Tea, coffee and juice are available in the hall after the 11am 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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

The next meeting will be on **Monday 11th September** at 7.30 pm, at St Francis Church Hall. There will be a talk given by one of our members.

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER WALK

A Churches Together Prayer Walk will take place on **Saturday 16th September** at 10.30 a.m. starting and finishing at the URC on Saughall Road. There will be refreshments afterwards.

MUSIC GROUP AT 11.00am MASS:

The Music Group restarts on **Sunday 17th September**. To keep the Group going we need more members, especially players. Do you play the flute, clarinet, recorder or guitar? Or do you enjoy singing? Please consider helping us to lead the singing at 11.00 a.m. Mass on alternate Sundays from 17th September. Your only commitment is to come to the practice at 10.30 a.m. before Mass. Please come along, or phone Pauline Payne, 01244 350323.

LOURDES HOSPITALITY:

The AGM of the Shrewsbury Diocese Lourdes Hospitality (which is made up of the teams of volunteer helpers) will be held at 2pm on **Sunday 17th September** at St. Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Wilton Street, Northwich, CW9 5NP. Please note the date, as this is different from the one originally agreed at last year's AGM. All members of the Hospitality are invited to attend. Please spread the word to members of the Hospitality not residing within the Diocese. Should you have any queries, please contact Kath Emsley, Secretary to the Hospitality, at kathemsley@gmail.com.

"SONGS OF PRAISE" SUNDAY 17th SEPT:

This is being held at 4.00pm in St. Thomas's Church, Parkgate Road, in support of Christian Aid. The organist will be Matt Baker and a homily will be given by Trevor Dennis, retired Vice-Dean of Chester Cathedral. Refreshments to follow, gifts of cakes welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES:

These classes are held in St. Columba's Church Hall on Wednesday evenings in term time from 5pm to 6pm. They are for children who come to either St. Columba's or St. Theresa's churches but do not attend one of the Roman Catholic Primary Schools. The preparation for First Sacraments starts when the children are in Year 2 at school (age 6 in September). The start date this term is **Wednesday 20th September**.

Please ring Pauline Payne on 01244 350323 or email pauline.payne4@btinternet.com to enrol or for more information.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS):

We would very much like to encourage uptake of the course leading to the Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies (CCRS). For more information about the course visit www.brs-ccrs.org.uk or contact rowena.nield@sky.com

CATECHETICAL FORMATION:

A National Eucharistic Congress will be held in Liverpool in September 2018. As part of our preparation the theme for our next Catechists' Day is: "**The Eucharist: Food for our Joy**". We will ask how, as Catechists working with many different people, we can communicate this great truth of our faith. The Catechists' Day is on **Saturday 7th October**, 10:00-13:00 at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School, CH65 7AQ. It is open to all Catechists and to anyone interested in this question. Please see poster for details.

Enquiries: Barbara Davies 07730 526821

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Registration: Helen Jones 0151 652 9855

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RED MISSION BOXES:

St Columba's: Could those parishioners holding Red Mission Boxes please leave them in the sacristy for Marg Curtis to collect. You can collect your box again from the rear table in the church, thank you for your continuing support.

St Theresa's: Sean Baker will collect the Red Boxes for St Theresa's from Sunday 17th September from the Sacristy. If people would like him to collect in person, please contact him on 07920174529.

CLEANERS' ROTA A (ST THERESA'S)

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

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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.

Website: www.stcolumbachester.org.uk

YOUTH GROUP FOR 10-14 YEAR OLDS:

Our new St. Columba's and St. Theresa's youth group, will begin on **Monday 9th October**, from 7.15 to 9pm. The group will meet on the second Monday of each month in the Iona Chapel, at the back of St. Columba's church, then move over to the church hall. Each session will have a relevant theme, lots of faith based activities, games and fun, ending with prayers. If your child would like to join please email Anthony Hunt on Hunta@christofidelis.org.uk for more information, the consent form and so we can get refreshment numbers.

FAMILY BEETLE DRIVE:

This year we will be holding the beetle drive at St Theresa's parish centre, at 7pm on **Friday 6th October**. Please bring the family along to join in the fun. The bar will be open for people to buy drinks.

QUIZ NIGHT, FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER:

This is our annual Quiz Night, arranged in conjunction with Churches Together in Upton and held in St. Columba's Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Admission on the door £1, nibbles provided, teas and coffees served, but bring your own wine. The Quiz is arranged for teams of six - these can be pre-arranged or made up on the night, so if you are "unattached" do please come along. Not too serious, it is always a very enjoyable evening. Proceeds go to CAFOD and Christian Aid.

ADVANCE NOTICE – CATENIAN GALA CELEBRATION DINNER 10th NOVEMBER:

The Chester Catenian Circle are celebrating their 70th Anniversary with a Gala Celebration Dinner at The Crowne Plaza Hotel. Please make a note of the date, further information to follow.

SWISS ALPINE WALK

Maria Lane is taking part in a Swiss Alpine Walk to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Anyone wishing to donate may do so by putting an envelope marked with her name in the offertory basket or given to Jane Walsh.

CALLING CHS PARENTS:

A new pupil, (St Columba's area) at the High School seeks help with transport to school temporarily. If you drive your child to school and would be willing to offer a lift please will you contact Deacon Lawrence to find out more. Thank you.