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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.

EASTER SUNDAY 16th APRIL 2017

Saturday 15th April EASTER VIGIL at St Columba's only

St Columba's 8.00 pm Steven Jones - Vigil

Sunday 16th April EASTER SUNDAY

St Theresa's 9.30 am Parishioners' Intentions

St Columba's 11.00 am The Parish

Monday 17th April – Easter Octave all week

St Theresa's NB 10.00 am Mena Pellegrini's Intention

St Columba's NB 10.00am Peter Connolly

Tuesday 18th April

St Columba's 9.15am Crewe of HMS Monmouth

St Theresa's 6.30 pm Priest's Intention

Wednesday 19th April

St Theresa's 9.00 am Joe Mackie RIP

St Columba's 9.15 am Sheila Devine

Thursday 20th April

St Theresa's 9.00 am Private Intention

St Columba's 9.15 am Dave Beattie

Friday 21st April

St Theresa's 8-8.55am Exp.of the Blessed Sacrament

9.00 am Mae Dunne's Intentions

St Columba's 7.00pm Derrick Jones

Saturday 22nd April

St Theresa's 10.00 am Private Intention

St Columba's 6.30pm Edwin Edwards A .-Vigil

Sunday 23rd April

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St Columba's 11.00 am The Parish

FR. JONATHAN AND FR ISIDORE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER.

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.

WELCOME:

We welcome Fr Mark Connolly from the Spiritan Community to all our weekday Masses.

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: After weekday Mass and by 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 (text or 'phone).

St. Columba's welcomes Sophia Valentia Roberts to our Parish family on this Easter Sunday. Our congratulations to Sophia's family, especially those who have travelled from Italy to be with Sophia on her special day. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their journey in faith together.

St. Theresa's: Please contact Fr Isidore to arrange.

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose Plate £438.02; Planned Giving £490.50; Average Weekly Standing Orders £720.00; Candles £47.12.

St Theresa's: £260.44 plus average weekly standing orders £130.

ST COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers:

Daniel Joseph Keegan, Leonard Shone, Dr. Leo De Gamrose, Len Dugdale, Henry Anthony Tallant, Jonathan Owens, Eve Parkes, Bernard McSweeney, Patricia Lynch, Joseph Walsh, Terence Shirley, Patricia Westrom, Georgine Ogg, Bernard Cunningham, James Vincent Kerr, Margaret Mary Welby, Eric Siddall, Freda Mary Wilson, Edward Clarke, Richard Heveran, Edward Clark, Elizabeth Poole, Veronica Fletcher, Margaret May Weston, Rodney Peters-Jones, Mary Wiinefred Murphy, Anthony Allingham, Brendan Joseph Nolan, Susan Josephine McLaughlin, Bridgit Ann Garner, Maria O'Sullivan, Alison Margaret Kelly, Mary Grubb, Derrick Wyndham Jones, Leslie Charles Ivor Hutfield, John Lloyd Hughes, Sarah McNicholas, Arnie Williams.

ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers:

Daniel Joseph Keegan, Leslie Sconce, Samuel Peter Moseley, Tony Roddy, Teresa Edge, Eileen Magdalene Hester, Francis Vincent Gallagher, John O'Regan, Bernard Jackson, Ida Newman, Ellen Jones, James Henry Banks, Richard Henry Littler, Cara Elizabeth Messer, Horace Isaacson, Yee Lin Price, Jeanne Redfern.

OFFICE CLOSURE:

Please note the office will be closed on Monday, 24th April until Thursday 27th April inclusive. If there are any emergencies please contact another Parish Priest in the area. Many thanks. Fr. Jonathan.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

16th April Sue Carr Chernobyl Children
23rd April Marg & Jacque Fellowship Lunch
30th April Sewing Group Funds for Africa
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 9.30 am Mass. All are very welcome.

POPE FRANCIS' EXHORTATION - THE JOY OF LOVE:

Fr. Chris Thomas will lead a day on *Amoris Laetitia* as an aid to reflection, dialogue and pastoral practice through the lens of the home, parish, school partnership on **Wednesday 26th April** 10.00 to 3.00pm at LACE, Croxteth Drive Sefton Park Liverpool L17 1AA. Entry £10 for FAMILIAS Members, Associates and Friends, £20 for all others. Lunch included. Booking is essential. For further details contact Maureen O'Brien T: 0151 522 1044 Email: m.obrien@rcaol.co.uk

2016 APF RESULTS:

Overall the grand total for all dioceses in England and Wales was £3,039,531. **St Columba's** Red Box Collections were £888.00 and Direct Donations were £846.00, giving a **grand total raised in 2016 to £1,734.00.**

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 the Church.

ST COLUMBA'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

This takes place during 11 o'clock Mass for primary school children, older children who'd like to help, and pre-school children with a parent or guardian. Any parishioner who'd like to take a turn with helping with the children's liturgy every 6 weeks would be most welcome and should contact Catherine on 07462 780 302 or catherine.green@care4free.net

ST THERESA'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

The next Children's Liturgy will be on Sunday, 30th April.

PRAYER WALK:

This takes place on Saturday, 29th April at 10.30 am. starting and finishing at Holy Trinity Church, Blacon, Chester. All welcome.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES - 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

CLEANERS' ROTA A (ST THERESA'S)

UPTON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- Residents of Essex Road, Deva Lane and Walnut Close.
- For the Library, Pavilion and recreational areas in our community. For all adults and children that they will be safe and they enjoy leisure time.

SPUC PRO-LIFE CHAIN – SATURDAY 29TH APRIL:

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will hold their Annual Pro-Life demonstration on Hoole Road on **Saturday 29th April** from 11 am to 12.30 pm. We will hold placards with Pro-Life messages, for passing motorists to see, while we stand in silence on the kerbside. Please pray for the success of this demonstration, and join us if you can, even if for a short time.

MOZART CHORAL CONCERT:

Ellesmere Port Music Society's Spring Concert is on **Saturday 22nd April**, 7.30pm at the Civic Hall. It includes a performance of Mozart's Requiem Mass, Tantum Ergo and Ave Verum. Tickets are £15, £7.50 for students, free for under 18s. Available from Pauline Payne on 01244 350323 or tickets@epmsonline.co.uk

WALSINGHAM RETREAT 24TH-27TH APRIL:

A **REMINDER** that the coach leaves St Theresa car park at 8.15 a.m. and St Columba car park at 8.45 a.m. Janette Doherty can be contacted on 07986 862029.

NATIONAL ARBORETUM AND LICHFIELD COACH TRIP:

Upton Churches Together are organising a coach trip to the National Memorial Arboretum and Lichfield Cathedral which will take place on **Tuesday 23rd May**. Total cost of £17.50 includes coach fare and tea and scones at the Arboretum. For further details/ booking, contact John Butler tel: 01244 383703.

SVP HOLIDAY HOME:

The SVP Holiday Home on the North Wales Coast is available to friends and families of St Theresa'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 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 and enquiries please contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Rebecca Vaughan, 01244 350323, e-mail: rebecca_vghn@yahoo.co.uk
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