

St Columba's Church

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

ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2015

MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil Mass:	7.15 p.m.	INTENTIONS: Marie Tobin.
Sunday:	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls.
	11.00 a.m.	The Parish.
Monday: All Souls:	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls.
Tuesday:	10.30 a.m.	Requiem: Brenda Dugdale.
Wednesday:	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls.
Thursday:	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls.
Friday:	9.15 a.m.	Holy Souls.
Saturday:	NO MORNING MASS.	
Saturday Vigil Mass:	7.15 p.m.	Gerardus Marinus Prickle.
Sunday:	9.15 a.m.	Bill Roberts.
	11.00 a.m.	The Parish.

CONFESSIONS:

Each Saturday, before the Vigil Mass, 6.45 until 7.10 p.m.

BAPTISMS:

By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Cooke to arrange a date, please contact Claire Graham on 01244 341287/ 0788 055 3830.

MORNING PRAYER:

Each morning at 9.00 a.m. in the Sacristy Office, Monday through to Friday, except Wednesdays.

LATELY DEAD:

Brenda Dugdale. Her Requiem Mass is at St. Columba's at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday 3rd November.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Jan Tarranzio, William Arthur (Bill) Roberts, Cecilia Marion Gannicott, George Dalziel, William Walker, Edward Peter Connolly, Gerry Coogan, Gerard Ferguson, Herbert Bowyer, Catherine Walmsley, George Barford, Joseph Murphy, John Phillips, Kirsty Helen Morgan (Baby), 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.

HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 5th November at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester hospital Chapel. This is for patients/outpatients, families and friends, and the wellbeing of our hospital.

All are welcome.

OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate:	£467.49
Planned Giving:	£419.25
Average Weekly Standing Orders:	£683.00
Donations: Candles:	£62.52

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

1st Nov.
8th Nov. SPUC
15th Nov. CWL
22nd Nov. AUTUMN FAYRE
The coffee rota is on the notice board in the hall. **If you would like to manage a coffee morning for a charity of your choice please add your name to the rota.** Teas, coffees and juices are served in the hall after both Sunday morning Masses. All are welcome.

CHERNOBYL CHILDREN:

Thank you to all who supported last Sunday's coffee morning. Over £320 was raised from cakes, coffee, Christmas cards and donations. Again showing just how generous St. Columba's parishioners are.

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Upton Drive, Pine Gardens and Bache Avenue.
- For the British Legion, Golf Club and Village Hall Committee, and all who use their facilities.
- For those who have served their country.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE:

You are warmly invited to a short service of Remembrance to be hosted by St. Columba's parish on **Sunday 8th November** at 6.30 pm in church, on behalf of Upton Churches Together. We will be joined by parishioners from Holy Ascension Church and Upton URC in this united act of remembrance. Please will you do your best to lend your support.

MISSION TODAY:

Copies of the Autumn issue of Mission Today magazine are in the front and rear porches.

PARENTS' MEETING FOR FIRST SACRAMENTS:

Parents of all the children in the Parish who are preparing to receive First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion this school year are reminded that the first Parents' Meeting is at St. Werburgh's and St. Columba's School at 7.00 p.m. on **Monday 9th November.**

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

- Tuesday, **St. Winefride** virgin and martyr, a patron saint of Shrewsbury Diocese. Known rather more from legend than historical fact, she lived in the second half of the 7th century and became abbess of a convent near the town of Holywell - famously associated with the healing properties of the waters of St. Winefride's Well, one of the most popular pilgrim sites in Wales. Her relics were later enshrined in the Benedictine Abbey in Shrewsbury, that in turn becoming a very important pilgrimage site until the time of the dissolution of the monasteries.
- Wednesday, **St. Charles Borromeo** (1538-1584), Cardinal and Archbishop of Milan. Prior to being appointed bishop he played a prominent role in the final sessions of the Council of Trent, going on to being active in implementing many of its reforms within his own diocese and further afield. He is remembered as an exemplary and pastoral bishop and an ardent proponent of reform and renewal.
- Saturday, **St. Willibrord** (658-739). Born in Yorkshire, studied in Ireland and ordained a priest there. After a spell back in England he became the first of the great Anglo-Saxon missionaries to Europe, preaching in North Germany and Denmark and founding monasteries and diocese in the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

ST WERBURGH'S GREAT WAR DISPLAY: 7 - 15th NOV:

Display in the church, with the emphasis on the effect of war on parish families. Biographies of 115 parishioners who fell in this war are in an interim Memorial Book in the Great War Memorial Chapel. History of this unique chapel and copies of recently published book, "We Shall Remember Them" also available.

Church open 1.0pm-4.0pm. from Sat.7th to Sun.15th Nov. Visitors very welcome. Party bookings taken and can be "tweaked" to fit particular interests. Contact cheshire.historian@fsmail.net Tel: 01244 851717

WALSINGHAM 2016:

The annual trip to Walsingham will take place on **4th April 2016**. The cost will be £185, £85 deposit payable before Christmas – cheques to David Farrell. We will be using Carvers Travel. The spiritual leader; Fr Forshaw from St Anne's, New Ferry, will possibly bring 10 people from his parish. Anyone interested, please contact Brian Forrest 01244 318863 ASAP.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED:

Marjorie from Sandbach who visits her husband with dementia in the Bowmere hospital is seeking B&B accommodation in the Upton area from 7th November for one week, whilst her family, on whom she relies for transport, are on holiday. Marjorie is a Christian lady, would pay and be very grateful. Please would you contact Rev John Kingsley on 01244 364543 if you are able to help.

ST. COLUMBA'S AUTUMN FAYRE:

Our Autumn Fayre will be held on **Sunday 22nd November**. There will be stalls, cakes and a Bottle Tombola all morning and a selection of homemade soups and hotdogs will be available after the 11.00a.m. Mass.

Bottles are required for our **TOMBOLA**. Please leave contributions, either in the Church Office or behind the bar in the Hall. Many thanks for your support!

BRITTEN'S ST. NICOLAS:

A choral concert is being given by Chester Music Society in Chester Cathedral on **Saturday 21st November**, 7.30 p.m. As well as Britten's setting of the life of St. Nicolas, the concert features the world premiere of a specially-commissioned work "Noah's Fire" – an account of the mixed fortunes of a mediaeval Guild preparing to stage one of the Chester Mystery Plays. Tickets are £7, £14 and £20, available from 01244 500959.

SHREWSBURY DIOCESE REFUGEE RESPONSE:

The Catholic Children's Society has been named as the Diocesan point of contact on Refugee issues. To enable information sharing, links to useful websites and opportunities for parishes and groups to inform / involve others in fundraising activities, collection points, offers of accommodation, volunteering time and skills, a Facebook page has been opened. In order to gain access please do the following: Connect to the website www.cathchildsoc.org.uk, click on the **Facebook** icon (top right hand corner of home page) and scroll down the page to click onto the **Shrewsbury Diocese Logo** and you are in. Or please enter the following URL:

www.facebook.com/CathChildSociety

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH PRE-SCHOOL:

Has a vacancy for the post of manager from 1.1.16. Hours: approx 33 per week in term time; minimum qualification: NVQ3 in Pre-School Learning & Child Care Studies + some supervisory experience. Full info/an application pack is available from the church office 01244 315129 or email:

office@stmichaelschester.com.

Closing date for applications: 6.11.15.

THE CLATTERBRIDGE CANCER CHARITY:

The Clatterbridge Cancer Charity is holding A'Tidy' Afternoon Tea at the Royal Liver Buildings on Thursday 26th November 2-6pm. Bill Tidy is a famous cartoonist. Tickets are £30.00. Please contact Maureen Ellison on 0151 482 7948

FIRS SCHOOL VACANCY:

The School has need for a Teaching Assistant to provide maternity cover in the Kindergarten (3-4 year olds) class from January to July 2016. An NVQ level 3 in childcare (or equivalent) is needed as a minimum. Experience with EYFS is highly desirable. Hours 8.45 a.m. – 12 noon Mon-Fri. If you are interested please contact admin@firsschool.org for pay details, an application form and job description.

Closing date **Friday 13th November**

TREE WORK AT ST. COLUMBA'S:

Please note that on **Monday 9th November** we are having the trees and shrubs along the Newhall Road frontage pruned and tidied. That end of the car park will be out of action that day

ST. COLUMBA'S HALL BOOKINGS:

For all Hall bookings and enquiries please contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531

E-mail: columbashallbookings@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Ann Siddall:
Tel 01244 371787 Email: a-siddall@sky.com
Items for inclusion can be left in the blue folder in the Sacristy. 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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