

Catholic Churches of St Columba and St Theresa



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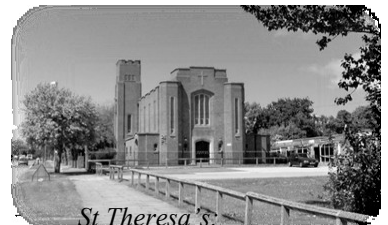
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- ❖ Chester Hospitals' Chaplaincy: Tel: 01244 364543, answer phone available.
- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

31st WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 5th NOVEMBER 2017

Saturday 4th November

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

Sunday 5th November

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. - Nicholas Lancaster RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. - Holy Souls

Monday 6th November

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. - Private Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. - The Sheppard Family

Tuesday 7th November

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. - Mike Wolfe & Sr Lil
St. Theresa's 6.30 pm - Priest's Intention

Wednesday 8th November

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. - Frances McGlynn
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. - Holy Souls

Thursday 9th November – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

St Theresa's 9.15 a.m. - Class Mass in Church.
Special Intention

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. - Holy Souls

Friday 10th November – St. Leo the Great, Pp, D

St Theresa's 8-30 a.m. - Expos. of Blessed Sacrament
9.30 a.m. - Graham George's Intention
St Columba's 7.00 p.m. - Holy Souls

Saturday 11th November – St. Martin of Tours. B

St. Theresa's 10.00a.m. - Special Intention
St Columba's 6.30 pm - The Parish - **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 12th November – Remembrance Day

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. - Parishioners Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. - Bill Roberts

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 12th NOVEMBER

A Minute's Silence will be observed at the beginning of Mass next Sunday.

EXPOSITION AND MORNING PRAYER:

Exposition before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Columba's 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 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').

St. Theresa's: To arrange a Baptism please contact Mike Maxwell on 07851 720217 (text or phone).

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Adrian Edwards of the Spiritan Community, Hoole Road, and for the Community at this time of sad loss. Fr. Adrian died in the Countess of Chester Hospital last Tuesday and Requiem Mass for him will be held at St. Columba's church, details to be announced.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate: £313.35 Planned Giving: £329.60
Average Weekly Standing Orders: £735.00; Candles: £37.42

St. Theresa's: £381.28 Weekly Standing Orders £100

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Joseph Murphy, John Phillips, Kirsty Helen Morgan (Baby), William John O'Gorman, Mabel Theresa Foody, 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, Marie Margaret Bennett, Michael Heffernan, Deanna Morgan, Tessa Stacey, Therese Stecszyn, Robert Jones, Maria Bullen, Joseph Patrick Barlow, Stephen Augustine Pendlebury, Anthony Francis Devine, Lionel Dean, Thomas Leslie Borrows, Gregory Morns, Margaret Mary Norbury, Sheila Maureen Austin, Charles Huxley, Denis Tobin

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

James Tildesley, William Frederick McGarty, Rosaleen Fenna, (Baby) Matthew George Pithers, Joyce Annie Rose, Wilfred Joes, Elsie Fox, David Thomas Evans, Thomas Maloney, Anne Phillips-Jones, Robert Joseph Robinson, William George Bird, Joseph Tansey, Marian Lindop, Thomas Henry Frederick Finney

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

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

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

5th Nov SPUC

12th Nov CWL

19th Nov AUTUMN FAYRE

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 a.m. Mass. All are very welcome.

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. Please put names of deceased and a donation in the Holy Souls envelopes (available in both porches) and return to Carol Galvin, or place in the basket on the altar or in the offertory basket at St Theresa's.

SVP CHRISTMAS CARD SALE:

The SVP will be selling Christmas cards after 11:00 Mass each Sunday (or until stocks last) during the run up to Christmas in St Columba's Hall. We have a nice selection of modern and traditional religious themed cards available. The proceeds will go to support our charity work locally, nationally and internationally.

THURSDAY 9th NOVEMBER 8.00am to 8.30pm

"THE BIBLE IN A DAY":

Held in The Refectory, Chester Cathedral. This is a fundraising activity for Christian Aid in conjunction with local schools and churches (including ours). Readers from the schools and churches will read the entire "Book of Books", the version of the Bible for young people written by Trevor Dennis, the then Vice Dean of Chester Cathedral and now chair of Chester Christian Aid Committee.

Each organisation has agreed to raise at least £100 for Christian Aid - a coffee morning will be held soon in our church for that purpose. Visitors are very welcome to come along at any time during the day. Our schools and churches are reading at the following times: St Werburgh's and St Columba's school from 12.40 - 1.00pm, CHS from 1.05 - 1.25pm and St Columba's and St Theresa's from 8.00 - 8.30pm.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on **Thursday 9th November**, starting at 7.30pm at 10 Totland Grove, Newton, Chester CH2 2EY

CATENIAN GALA DINNER - FRIDAY 10th NOV

Chester Catenian Circle are celebrating their 70th Anniversary with a Gala Celebration Dinner Dance at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. They invite everyone to join them for a fun evening. Dinner is at 7.15 for 7.45pm followed by live entertainment, the dress code is Black Tie and the cost is £30. For tickets contact Keith Richards on 01244 332136 or 07714326069

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES:

The next CCRS module, The New Testament, begins on **Saturday 11th November** 9:30am - 3:30pm at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY You may start the course (of eight modules) at the beginning of any module - details are on the website: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs.

A non-certificate option is also available (no essays!) Particularly aimed at Teachers, Catechists and those who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE:

Churches Together in Upton are holding a Remembrance Day Service at URC in Upton (Heath Road) on **Sunday 12th November** at 6.30pm. This is a short service of prayer, hymns and readings to commemorate those who have died in war and conflicts. The service will be followed by light refreshments. Please come and join us on this special day of remembrance.

There will also be a Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial in Blacon Cemetery at 12 noon.

YOUTH GROUP:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday 13th November**, starting promptly at 7.15pm in the Iona Chapel, finishing promptly at 9pm in the hall. Our first meeting was a great success, everyone who

came really enjoyed themselves. If you are aged 10 to 14 years old please come and see what it's like. If you haven't been before please bring a parent with you to sign the consent form.

AUTUMN FAYRE:

Held on **19th November** from 11.00 a.m in St Columba's Church Hall. Includes: A myriad of Stalls, Bottle Tombola, Homemade Soup, Hot-Dogs and Refreshments.

We still need bottles for the Tombola. If anyone has any bottles that they would like to donate, please leave them in the back porch at St. Columba's or the box provided in the porch at St. Theresa's. Thank you.

CHIFUNDO UK CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR:

Chifundo UK, which empowers women in Malawi through funding their further education and income generation, are holding their 2nd Craft Fair on **Saturday 25th November** at Hoole URC, Hoole Road. There are still a few tables left at £10 each - contact Susan Flynn sflynn@waitrose.com; 01244 381490. Your help and support are appreciated.

LOOKING AT THE ADVENT SUNDAY READINGS:

A series of four weekly talks and discussions on the readings for Advent is to be held on four Tuesday evenings commencing on **28th November** at 7.30 p.m. in the Iona Chapel. For further details see the poster on the Notice Boards or contact David Savage, 01244 380626.

WALSINGHAM RETREAT 16-19 APRIL:

Deposits please £30.00pp. as soon as possible Cheques made payable to J Doherty post to 36 Queens Park House, Queens Park View, Chester CH4 7DB, with name and details, or hand into Carol Galvin in office, or to Gerry Templeton at St Theresa's (total cost £215.00pp).

THANK YOU:

Thank you for your response to the Rohingya Refugee Appeal. A total of £270 has now been sent to the Disasters Emergency Committee from St. Columba's.

VACANCY FOR ACCOUNTS SENIOR AT THE CURIAL OFFICE, DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY:

Reporting to the Accounts Manager, the Accounts Senior will be responsible for supporting the Accounts Manager in the execution of their duties. Salary range: £18K to £22K depending on qualifications and experience. *For further details please visit the website*

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>

Please send CV to Pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Closing date Friday 24 November 2017

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:

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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.

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