

St Columba's Church

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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2014

MASS TIMES:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 7.15 p.m.
Sunday: 9.15 a.m.
11.00 a.m.
Monday: 9.15 a.m.
Tuesday: 9.15 a.m.
Wednesday: 9.15 a.m.
Thursday: 9.15 a.m.
Friday: 9.15 a.m.
Saturday: 9.15 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 7.15 p.m.
Sunday: 9.15 a.m.
11.00 a.m.

INTENTIONS:

Daphne Amos A.
Dr. John Doran A.
The Parish
Holy Souls
Frankie Stone
Holy Souls
Austin Pinnington
Holy Souls
David Alexander Gilbanks
Holy Souls
Dennis Healey A.
The Parish

UPTON CHURCHES REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE:

This year the Upton Churches Remembrance Day Service will be held at the United Reformed Church on Heath Road at 6.30 p.m. this Sunday, 9th November.

MORNING PRAYER:

9.00 a.m. in the Sacristy Office, each weekday morning, except on Wednesday, when Novena prayers are held at 9.15 a.m. before Mass commences.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: 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 Borrowes, Gregory Morns, Margaret Mary Norbury, Sheila Maureen Austin, Charles Huxley, Denis Tobin, Theresa Hanratty, Kathleen Stanley, Mabel Bennett O'Kelly, Bertie Bond, Mavis Skinner, Catherine McPhillips, Percy Edwards, Elosie Magot Hunt, James Regan, Sheila Rigby, Kenneth Mahoney, Rose Ebo, John Carroll, George Pickering, Doreen Faulkner, Patricia Treacy, and Teresa Devane.

BAPTISMS:

By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Cooke to arrange a date, please contact Claire Graham on 01244 341287 / 07880553830.

CONFESSIONS:

Confessions are heard every Saturday after morning Mass, and in the evening from 6.45 p.m. – 7.10 p.m.

OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate: £495.36
Planned Giving: £506.41
Average Weekly SOs: £510.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

If you are interested in joining the Planned Giving and/or Gift Aid schemes, please ring David Savage on 01244 380626

SVP MONTHLY COLLECTION:

The monthly collection for the last two months amounted to £605.34. Many thanks for your continued support.

CHESTER CAFOD SUPPORT GROUP:

Many thanks to all those who supported our 25th Anniversary concert on the 26th September. The grand total of £1136 was raised and will be divided between the 3 crises – Syria, Gaza and ebola.

UPTON CHURCHES FRIENDSHIP LUNCH:

Many thanks to all of you who helped with or attended the Friendship Lunch held recently in the Hall. A donation of £140 has been sent to the Hospice of the Good Shepherd.

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

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

ST. PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on Thursday, 13 November, at 10 Totland Grove, Newton, Chester CH2 2EY at 7.30pm. New members welcome.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

9th Nov. CWL CWL
16th Nov. Pat & John SPUC
23rd Nov. Autumn Fayre

Teas, coffees and juices are available in the hall after both Sunday morning Masses. All are very welcome. Any enquiries please contact Margaret Curtis 318424.

9.15am SUNDAY MASSES:

In view of the reduced numbers of parishioners at 9.15 a.m. Sunday Masses, it has been agreed with Fr. Cooke and Lawrence that there will be Five Eucharistic Ministers on duty. (Fr. Cooke plus five Eucharistic Ministers, or four E.M.'s when Lawrence is on duty.)

There will be three E.M.'s on the Font Side and two on the Lectern side (or two on either side when Lawrence is on Duty). This will take effect from the new Rota which is in the front porch.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS ROTA:

Please will you pick up your copy of the new Rota from the front porch. It will be placed in the green basket. For Eucharistic Ministers and Readers who were unable to attend the In-House Day at St. Columba's on Saturday 25th October, please will you make sure that you pick up the additional information placed in the basket, which includes important information relating to changes in some procedures. Many thanks.

FEAST OF THE WEEK:

Next Saturday, **St. Albert the Great**. One of the great Doctors of the Church. In today's terms he would be called a "polymath" - learned and a prolific writer in a huge range of subjects: "his interests extended to physics, astronomy, chemistry and biology, to human and animal physiology, to geography, geology and botany." Born in Germany in 1206, he studied in Italy at the University of Padua and became a leading figure in the early days of the Dominicans. Thomas Aquinas was one of his pupils. He was canonised in 1931, when he was also named patron saint of students of the natural sciences.

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 about the first Parents' Meeting at St. Werburgh's and St. Columba's School at 7.00 p.m. on **Monday 10th November**.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH:

A choral concert of Handel's Messiah, as arranged by Mozart, is being given by Ellesmere Port Music Society chorus and the Wirral Philharmonic Orchestra on **Saturday 15th November** at 7.30 p.m. in Ellesmere Port Civic Hall. Details on the posters in the porches, or ring Pauline Payne on 01244 350323.

VACANCY WITH CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY:

They are looking to recruit a Family Support Worker, part time on a 12 month contract, based in Wirral. Closing date 21st November. Poster in the front porch and on the parish website. More information from Anne Smith on 0151 652 1281 or anne@cathchildsoc.org.uk or www.cathchildsoc.org.uk

CD OF 11.00 A.M. COMMUNION MUSIC:

Copies of the "Dove of Peace" CD of flute, clarinet and organ music – as played during the Flower Festival – are available from Rob Green, robert.h.green@btinternet.com Price £5 with proceeds going to the school in Bo and the Catholic High School PTA.

AUTUMN FAYRE ON SUNDAY 23rd NOV:

This year's Autumn Fayre will be on Sunday 23rd November. Please come along. As usual there will be soups, hotdogs etc. Tombola and stalls after 11 o'clock Mass. More information on the posters.

- The Tombola Stall would welcome donations of 'bottles' for the Autumn Fayre. Please leave any donations either in the Church Office (next to the Sacristy) or in the bar area of the hall.

LIGHTS IN CHURCH:

Please, if for any reason you are in church in the evening, would you make sure when you leave that all lights are put out. Thank you!

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 Muriel Green.

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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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