

# St Columba's Church

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## PALM SUNDAY, SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 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:	10.30 a.m.
Wednesday:	1.00 p.m.
Thursday:	8.00 p.m.
Friday:	9.45-10.45 a.m. 11.15 a.m. 3.00 p.m.
Saturday:	8.00 p.m.
Easter Sunday:	9.15 a.m. 11.00 a.m.

### INTENTIONS:

Mary McCafferty.
Bill Keys.
The Parish.
Frank Sullivan
REQUIEM- MAUREEN TOLEFREE
REQUIEM-JOAN WELLS
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
CONFESSIONS
FAMILY STATIONS OF THE CROSS
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
EASTER VIGIL
Dick Jones
The Parish.

AFTER MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER THERE WILL BE WATCHING TILL COMPLINE AT 10.00 P.M.

### MORNING PRAYER:

No Morning Prayer next week..

### BAPTISMS:

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

### ANNIVERSARIES:

*Please remember in your prayers:* Veronica Underwood, James O'Flaherty, Alice Jane Kennedy, Frank Royle, Siobhain White, Jessie Christian, Paul Maiden, Vincent Thomas Devane, Anthony McAleavy, Caroline Shone, Henry McGuinness, Angela Bird, John Palmer, Eric Gerald Barlow, 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 Peter Jones and Mary Winefred Murphy.

### LATELY DEAD:

We extend our deep sympathies to the families and many friends of Joan Wells and Maureen Tolefree. Joan did great work in this parish and beyond and always worked hard for others. Maureen was a very energetic and vibrant person, a committed teacher and former headteacher with many interests and gifts. A great loss!

### OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate:	£465.92
Planned Giving:	£476.00
Average Weekly SOs:	£547.00
Candles:	£47.67

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

### GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE FOUNDING OF THE PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA AND OUR CHURCH:

Donations to the Processional Cross, Tabernacle refurbishment and other items for the Church, please mark your envelopes 'Golden Jubilee'. Thank you.

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

13<sup>th</sup> April Marie & Sue Parish  
20<sup>th</sup> April Jackie Turvey Sea Cadets & Parish  
27<sup>th</sup> April Marge & Jacque Fellowship Lunch  
*Teas, coffees and juices are served in the Hall after both the Sunday Masses. All are very welcome.*

### UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Kingsway, Dicksons Drive and Brookfield Drive
- Worship Groups and all who plan services
- Our worship, that it is vibrant, spiritual and prayerful.

### EASTER FLOWERS:

There will be a collection after all Masses this weekend towards the cost of flowers to decorate the Church during the Easter season and the coming few months. Thank you in anticipation of your continued generosity and support.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

The AGM will be on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April beginning with 12 noon Mass at St Francis Church and followed by meeting and buffet. All ladies are most welcome to attend. Come along and find out more about our friendly Group.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The next meeting has been rearranged and will now be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. The Minutes of the last meeting are displayed on the Notice Board.

**SVP COLLECTION:** This month's collection amounted to £224.62. Thank you for your continued support.

### **50th ANNIVERSARY:**

As part of the celebration we would like an "All Our Yesterdays" A display of photographs showing Christmas Fayres, Garden Parties, Guides, Scouts, etc over the past 50 years. We would also like pictures of the original stained glass windows, usually on wedding or First Communion snaps. Please have a look in your cupboards. Photos can be left in a box in the Sacristy. Please put your names and phone no. on the back to be returned to you eventually. Does anyone know of any weddings that took place in St. Columba's in 1965/66, we would like to hear about them Further info please ring Sue 312892

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY – HELP WANTED:**

This Liturgy takes place in the Hall during 11.00 a.m. Mass. Could you join the group of 15 to help pass on your faith to our children? All ideas and materials are provided. You only need to be there once every 5 weeks, and always swap if needed.

Please contact Catherine on 383866; 07462 780302; or [catherine.green@care4free.net](mailto:catherine.green@care4free.net)

### **CONFIRMATION:**

The next parish celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Friday 3rd October '14 at 7pm. To be Confirmed you must be in school year 8, or older, on the Confirmation day. If you would like to be Confirmed please sign the list in the front porch. We will prepare together with St. Theresa's parish and candidates from other Chester parishes. More information from Denise Lusk on 379742.

### **CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS:**

We need two or three more catechists to help prepare our young people for Confirmation. If you would like to help (it's a good thing to do and generally fun) please contact Denise Lusk on 379742. We will have a training session before the programme begins.

### **ST COLUMBA'S HALL BOOKINGS:**

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

E-mail: [columbashallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:columbashallbookings@gmail.com)

### **CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION:**

**Bedding Plant Scheme** – The P.A. is once again running its successful bedding plant scheme to raise much needed funds for the school. Forms available from school (01244 981600) or in the Church's porch.

Orders to be received by school by Friday 25th April. Completed orders will need to be collected from the school car park on Saturday 17 May between 10.00 and 11.00 am. Delivery is available for a small charge. Thanks for all your support.

### **WORLD WAR ONE MEMORIAL:**

For soldiers who died or survived WWI. Families in Parish who have records or name of relatives, please contact Fr. Paul Shaw of St Werburgh's Chester; or [cheshire.historian@fsmail.net](mailto:cheshire.historian@fsmail.net)

For more information, please see the Parish Website for the Great War Project: [www.stwerburghchester.co.uk/more-about-st-werburgh/s/great-war.aspx](http://www.stwerburghchester.co.uk/more-about-st-werburgh/s/great-war.aspx)

**FOUND:** On Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> March outside the Church after the 7.15 p.m. Mass, a camera. If this is yours please call Esther on 07870 484425.

### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:**

A number of the orange envelopes for the new tax year remain uncollected in the church porch; please collect them if they are yours. Any problems or queries please ring David Savage 380626.

### **ST. COLUMBA'S THIRD WORLD GROUP:**

Thanks to your continuing generosity (donations via the wall boxes and standing orders) we have been able to send donations of £300 to each of our three ongoing projects: the work of Bro. James Kimpton with "Reaching the Unreached" in South India; the work of Fr. John Kirwan in Basakusu, DR Congo; and the OAKS school in Bo, Sierra Leone. Please see the notice board in the front porch for regular updates.

### **LONDON MARATHON 2014:**

Chester Lions Club kindly secured a place for Heather Lannin this year as she attempts to run the London Marathon on April 13th for the Hospice of the Good Shepherd. All sponsorship welcomes to raise £1500 for new day centre in Backford. [www.justgiving.com/Heather-Lannin](http://www.justgiving.com/Heather-Lannin)

### **FAMILY BINGO NIGHT:**

We are holding a family bingo night on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May starting at 7 p.m. entry free prizes, raffle and refreshments, bring your own bottle if you want wine, beer, etc.

More dates for your diaries:

Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> June Annual BBQ also free and Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> July Coach trip to Lichfield.

### **DAY OF REFLECTION:**

If you are aged between 20-35 then you are invited to a 'Day of Reflection' to be held on Saturday, 26th April. Fr. Edmund Montgomery will help us to take time out from the demands of modern life by focusing on the theme, "Follow' Me: How to follow Jesus on Twitter, Facebook, and Social Media". This day, organised for 'ACTS' (Adult Catholics Together Spiritually) will be held at Wistaston Hall, Crewe. The day will start at 9.30pm until approx 5pm. Cost £20 (£15 for unemployed/students). If you would like to join us or wish to know more please contact Siobhan at [<mailto:siobhanbc@talktalk.net>](mailto:siobhanbc@talktalk.net) [siobhanbc@talktalk.net](mailto:siobhanbc@talktalk.net) or tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761 138947.

### **NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:**

This will be compiled by Bernard Payne  
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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 **Wednesday (earlier for Easter)**. Please include a phone number in case of queries.

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