

# St Columba's Church

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## ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015

### 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: **12 noon**  
  
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:

Marie Teresa Camilieri  
Mary James  
The Parish  
Peg Bennett  
Mary & Ray Green  
**REQUIEM - Gerard Joseph McEnery**  
Sandra Corcoran  
Ged McEnery  
Frank Stone  
Nan Curtin (ill)  
Mary Elizabeth James  
The Parish

### LATELY DEAD:

Ged McEnery's Requiem Mass is on Wednesday at 12 noon. Please remember him in your prayers.

### 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 Saturday, except Wednesdays when Novena prayers are held at 9.15 a.m. before Mass commences.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

*Please remember in your prayers:* Mary O'Loughlin, Bernard McNicholas, Matthew Baker, Charles Francis Evans, Thomas Owain Christopher Arnold, Christopher Johnson, Winifred Roche, Maureen Mair, Percy John Tobin, Dieta Fairclough, George Shaw, Clare Walker, Jacqueline Ann Macdonald, Mary Walker, Patrick Green, Michael Reilly, Kerry Patricia O'Reilly, Michael Paul Marianus Farrugia, Theresa Maria Walmsley, Mary Kerr, Frank Tobin (Snr), Jez Loftus, Margaret Welch, Sarah Szostkiewicz, Len Barlow, Bryde Hill, Gerry Edwards, Terence Gibson, Frank McCaffery, Suzannah Hogan, Catherine Mary Martin, Vincent Ogg, Peter Grimes, Maresa Metcalfe, Margaret Sheard, Monica Carter, Mary Elizabeth Lindop, Ernest Erlam, Eric Wheatley, Pamela Joan Donnelly, Mary Newman, Agnes Blagg, Lena Williams, Zelimir Vrlec.

### CONFESSIONS:

Each Saturday, after morning Mass, and in the evening from 6.45 until 7.10 p.m.

### OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate: £415.58  
Planned Giving: £488.50  
Average Weekly SOs: £683.00

### S.V.P. COLLECTION:

The collection last week for the SVP amounted to £176.68p. Many thanks for your continued support.

St Columba's SVP Conference is now in abeyance. Many thanks for your support for the SVP in this Parish over a long period of time. The monthly Parish Collection is now finished. Thank you very much.

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

June 14<sup>th</sup> Marg & Jacque Poor Clares  
June 21<sup>st</sup> CWL Parish  
June 28<sup>th</sup>  
July 5<sup>th</sup>

The next coffee rota is on the notice board in the hall. There are some vacancies. If you would like to volunteer please add your name to the rota or contact Margaret Curtis 318424.

*Teas, coffees and juices are served in the hall after both Sunday morning Masses. All are welcome.*

### UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Cambridge Road, Devon Road and Yerburgh Street.
- For our local Councillors and the work they do.
- For our Parish Council and those involved with the Arradon twinning.

### DAY OF RECOLLECTION:

A Day of Recollection will be held in the St. Columba's Church Hall for all Ministers of Holy Communion and Ministers of the Word. This will be held on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Please bring a packed lunch with you. Further details can be found in both porches. Please will you either email me on [carolgalvin1944@sky.com](mailto:carolgalvin1944@sky.com) or put a tick on the forms at the front and back of the Church. Thank you.

### FIRST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING MASS:

All the parish children who made their First Holy Communion in May come together at the 11.00 Mass this Sunday for a joint celebration. We thank their families, their teachers, the parish catechists and all who helped the children at this special time in their lives. This was a very happy and successful year for all concerned.

### FR COOKE'S 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:

The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr. Cooke's ordination to the priesthood is on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2015. We are sure that parishioners will want to mark that significant date and so a collection has been organised for a presentation to be made after a special Mass at 11.00 a.m. on that Sunday. Special envelopes are available in the porches for you to make a gift should you so wish. **The envelopes will be collected in the porches after each Mass this weekend and next.** Cheques should be made payable to *Newton Catholic Social Fund* (to avoid Fr Cooke having to write a cheque to himself) and not to the parish. Any problems or questions please contact David Savage 380626.

### FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

- Tuesday: **St. Richard of Chichester, bishop.** He lived in the 13<sup>th</sup> Century, a time of some strife between church and state - his election as Bishop giving rise to a rival appointment being made by King Henry III before finally being settled. St. Richard was the author of a well-known prayer, destined to become even more famous 700 years later when parts were set to music in *Godspell*:  
*"O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly and follow thee more nearly, day by day."*
- Saturday: **St. Alban, martyr,** venerated as Britain's first saint. The Roman Emperor Diocletian ordered that all Christians should be persecuted. Alban, a Roman citizen but a recent convert to Christianity, changed places with a local priest who was wanted by the Romans. When he was discovered he was executed at Verulamium (now St. Albans), 304 AD.

### FOODBANK NEWS:

Thank you very much for your on-going donations, all gratefully received. 5180 adults and children have received 3 days' emergency food supply from the West Cheshire Foodbank in the last 12 months, a rise of 3% on last year. There is still a need for all in-date non-perishable goods from the list near the collecting boxes in the porches. Items in shortest supply at the moment are cartons of fruit juice, milk and sugar. You can find out more at [westcheshirefoodbank.org.uk](http://westcheshirefoodbank.org.uk)

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

**BBQ** Thanks to everyone who made the annual BBQ a great success and also thanks to all the helpers both on the day and in preparation.

**COACH TRIP TO LANCASTER, FRIDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY:** The coach trip this year will be to Lancaster and cost £10; leaving from St. Columba's car park at 9.00 a.m. and leaving Lancaster at 5.00 p.m.. There is a list in the front porch for names and providing some information about Lancaster. All monies to be given to Margaret Curtis or Paul Wigglesworth by Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### FUNDRAISER FOR 3<sup>RD</sup> WORLD HOPE:

Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 7-12p.m. at St. Columba's Church Hall. Tickets £10 from Janet Cottrell on 07812 695904. Food and disco included. There will also be a bar, a charity auction and a raffle.

### PAUSE FOR HOPE, SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE:

Here at St. Columba's 3.00 p.m. An ecumenical gathering for families and friends who have been affected by Cancer. An opportunity for prayer and reflection accompanied by hymns. See poster in the porches or on the parish website.

### RED MISSION BOXES:

Those holding Red Mission Boxes please leave them in the Sacristy for Margaret Curtis to collect. The empty boxes can be collected from the table in the rear porch of the Church.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The next meeting of the Pastoral Council will be on **Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June.**

### THANK YOU:

Maura Stone and family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and cards received in their recent bereavement. They were very much appreciated.

### STRAWBERRY TEA:

This will be held on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> June, at the home of Marian Curtis, 11 Broughton Hall Drive, Chester, CH3 5QG (01244 341307) to celebrate Bro. Kimpton's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Proceeds to RTU India. All welcome.

### CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY:

Those holding collection boxes, please leave them in the Sacristy for Anne to collect. The empty boxes can be collected from the table in the rear porch of the Church. Thank you for your continued support.

### 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)

### NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Rebecca Vaughan  
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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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