



# St Columba's Church

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## HOLY TRINITY

SUNDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 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.

### INTENTIONS:

Sean Mc Cabe  
The Parish  
Mary Edwards  
Brenda Herring  
Cyril Baxter  
Trudi Axon  
Phyliss Tyson SVP  
Priest's Intention  
Special Intention

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11.00 a.m.

Gerry Cummins  
Bernard Leigh  
The Parish

### MORNING PRAYER:

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

### BAPTISMS:

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

### LATELY DEAD:

Monsignor John Williams, for many years a priest of our Diocese, has died: He had retired, but for a number of years he was the Catholic Senior Army Chaplain as well as a Parish Priest in the Diocese.

Fr. Seamus Jones, a Sacred Heart priest who lived and worked in our Diocese, has also died: He was at Stockport's Sacred Heart Parish.

We thank God for the great service these priests gave.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

*Please remember in your prayers:* 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, Margaret Sheard, Monica Carter, Mary Elizabeth Lindop, Ernest Erlam, Eric Wheatley, Pamela Joan Donnelly, Mary Newman, Agnes Blagg, Lena Williams, Zelimir Vrlec, Christine Owens and Isabel Jones.

### CONFESSIONS:

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

### OFFERTORY (Week ending 8<sup>th</sup> June):

Loose Plate: £453.78  
Planned Giving: £480.35  
Average Weekly SOs: £510.00

*Thank you for your continuing generosity.*

### RED MISSION BOXES:

Could those parishioners holding Red Mission Boxes please leave them in the Sacristy for Margaret Curtis to collect.

Thank you for your continued support.

### SVP:

The SVP collection last week-end amounted to £244.42. Many thanks for all your continued support.

The SVP would like to know of you know of anybody in the parish who is in need of any help:

- ♦ Maybe they are having trouble getting to the shops.
- ♦ Need transport to hospital appointments.
- ♦ Would like to have a chat.
- ♦ Receive Holy Communion.

If you do know of anybody please could you contact any local SVP member or phone Brian Forrest on 01244-382457.

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

15<sup>th</sup> June CWL. CWL  
22<sup>nd</sup> June 9.15a.m. Mass Tea & Coffee as normal  
11.00a.m. Holy Communion Mass & Party  
29<sup>th</sup> June Marg & Jacque Monies to fund Fellowship Lunch

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

### UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

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

### WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the **Week of Prayer services** last week – especially to those who kindly volunteered to lead the daily services, and all those involved in arrangements for the final service on the Sunday evening, including members of the Liturgy Group, the Readers, Choir and Organist.

*This year, as a trial, the Week of Prayer was held at Pentecost time, rather than the more traditional 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January. To help future planning, we would appreciate any comments on this switch, and we will report back to Upton Churches Together – please speak to Fr. Cooke or to Lawrence.*

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL:

The theme this week is **Looking Forward**. The prayer is:

*Dear Lord,*

*Let me be willing to see the bigger picture in all things.*

*Help me to look forward, make decisions and set targets that will allow me to follow the plans you have for my life.*

*Amen*

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:

All the children will come together for the Parish Thanksgiving Mass **next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June**, at 11.00.a.m. Please continue to pray for them at this special time.

### FEAST OF THE WEEK:

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June is the feast of **St. Alban**, venerated as Britain's first saint. Alban became the first Christian Martyr in Britain. The Roman Emperor Diocletian ordered that all Christians should be persecuted. Alban, 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 (St Albans), 304 AD.

### INVOCATION 2014:

A Vocations Festival is being held at St. Mary's College, Oscott from **Friday 4th to Sunday 6th July**. The festival is a mixture of faith and friendship; prayer and worship, adoration and reconciliation, engaging talks and inspiring workshops. It is a discernment festival- a weekend full of opportunities for you to think about who God is calling you to be. More details and a booking form are available from [www.invocation.org.uk](http://www.invocation.org.uk)

### DIOCESAN APPOINTMENT:

The Diocese is seeking to recruit an outstanding individual to implement procedures to support and promote the Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults within the Diocese. The salary will be in the range £35-38K. The closing date is **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June**. More information and application pack from [www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/safeguarding](http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/safeguarding) or from Carol Lawrence, Financial Secretary, 0151 652 9855.

### CHESTER CAFOD SUPPORT GROUP:

- Ecumenical "Songs of Praise" in St. Theresa's Church, on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June** at 4pm to celebrate the work of CAFOD, Christian Aid and Tearfund. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Centre.

### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:

- The Annual BBQ last week was a huge success and we received over £100 in donations which we have given to Sewing Group to help them with their preparations for the Church's 50<sup>th</sup> year celebrations. A big thank-you goes to everyone who helped and donated, also to God for the sunny weather!
- This year's Coach Trip is to the historic cathedral town of Lichfield on **Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> July**, leaving St. Columba's at 9 a.m. A list for names and information on Lichfield is up in the front porch of the Church. The cost is £10.50p.

### LOST PROPERTY:

Any jackets, tops, umbrellas, glasses, books etc left in Church or Hall over the past few months are now in a box in the Hall. Please have a look anything not claimed by 22nd June will be disposed of.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

#### FURNITURE UNIT:

The Chester & Ellesmere Port SVP Furniture Unit includes St Columba's parish in its collection of furniture, household effects and scrap metal. Funds raised are used to purchase our holiday home (caravan) when it needs replacing – costing about £50,000 after 10 years service. Offers of furniture can be made by ringing 0151 355 0689, answerphone available. If all else fails, please contact a member of our parish SVP.

### 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, Tel: 01244 350323.

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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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