



St Columba's Church

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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY 16th 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.

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Thursday: 9.15 a.m.

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INTENTIONS:

Holy Souls

Dennis Healey A.

The Parish

Holy Souls

James Regan

Holy Souls

Eva Carragher

Holy Souls

John Parsons

Sean McCabe B.

Henderson Family

The Parish

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: Rose Ebo, John Carroll, George Pickering, Doreen Faulkner, Patricia Treacy, Teresa Devane, John Francis Rigby, Phillip McMullan, Joseph Ferri, Dennis Healey, Gertrude Buddery, Mary (May) O'Neill, Micheal Kiernan, Fred Rowlands, William Pollock, John North, Joseph Smith, Margaret Theresa Dennon, Margaret Mary O'Grady, Joseph Desmond McCartney, Mary Catherine Hopkins, Alan (Tony) Trotter, Margaret Bird, Annie Keegan, Patricia Madden, Alan Banks, Kathleen Heffernan, Nora Hughes, Margaret Henderson, Patricia McNicholas.

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: £415.20

Planned Giving: £466.40

Average Weekly SOs: £510.00

Coffee Morning: £ 27.60

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

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Longfield Avenue, Iver Road and Iver Closed.
- The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.
- All those who are not able to attend church.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

16th Nov. Pat & John SPUC

23rd Nov. Autumn Fayre

30th Nov. Jackie Turvey Sea Cadets
& Parish

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.

FIRST SACRAMENTS ENROLMENT

MASS:

On **Sunday 23rd November**, Feast of Christ The King, the children in our Parish who are preparing to receive First Sacraments this school year will be enrolled at the 11.00 a.m. Mass. Please pray for the children and their families.

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 Eucharistic Ministers 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.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

- Monday: **St. Hilda, Abbess** (614 - 680). She was born in Northumbria at a time of great missionary movements that followed in the wake of Augustine's arrival in England (597), highly influenced also by the work of the Irish monastic foundation at Lindisfarne. Hilda hosted the famous Synod of Whitby, which met in 663/4 to consider and resolve a number of differences that had grown up between the Roman and Celtic monastic traditions in the Church.
- Monday: **St. Hugh of Lincoln** (1140-1200). Born in France, a Carthusian monk, invited by King Henry II to become prior of the foundation in Somerset, and later invited to become Bishop of Lincoln – then the largest diocese in England. He gained a great reputation for justice, the care of the sick and the support of the oppressed. He was the first Carthusian to be canonised.
- Friday: **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, commemorating the occasion of Mary's presentation as a child in the Temple at Jerusalem by her parents Anne and Joachim.
- Saturday: **St. Cecilia**. Though a late 4th century Church in Rome was named after her, nothing is known of Cecilia's life or death. Popular legends were written about her in the late 5th century, and in the 16th century she was named the patron of music. Tradition remembers Cecilia as a virgin, martyred for the faith.

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.

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

UPTON COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT

Saturday 22nd November at Holy Ascension Church.

This choir includes some members of St Columba's congregation, as well as from Upton and the wider community. Some seats still available. Please contact Holy Ascension Church for tickets: £7 adults / £2 children

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.

JUSTICE AND PEACE ADVENT REFLECTION:

On **Sunday 7th December** the Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission is holding its annual Advent Reflection, led this year by Liam Purcell from Church Action on Poverty. Everyone is invited to this time of advent prayer, reflection and social. 4.30 - 6.30 p.m. at Wistaston Hall, Broughton Lane Crewe CW2 8JS. See posters in the porches or on the parish website.

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.

CHIFUNDO PROJECT:

On **Wednesday 19th November** at 7.0.p.m. at Kingsway Community Café, Newton. An illustrated talk and sale of fashion, accessories and household products (ideas for Christmas presents), with refreshments. Chifundo is an ongoing project, set up to support and empower the women of Malawi through the development of tailoring skills and businesses.

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 Ann Siddall.

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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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