



St Columba's Church

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 22nd MAY 2016 EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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:	7.00 p.m.
Saturday:	9.15 a.m.

INTENTIONS:

Saturday Vigil Mass:	7.15 p.m.	The Parish
Sunday:	9.15 a.m.	Elizabeth Williams
	11.00 a.m.	Peter O'Hora

CONGRATULATIONS!

Barbara Wall was received into the Church last Sunday at 9.15 a.m. Mass. Congratulations Barbara.

CONFESSIONS:

Each Saturday morning between 10.00-10.30 a.m. and in the evening
6.45 p.m. – 7.10 p.m. (before the Saturday Vigil Mass).

MORNING PRAYER:

Each morning at 9.00 a.m. before the Blessed Sacrament in the Iona Chapel, **Monday through to Thursday**, except Wednesdays, when Morning Prayer will commence at 8.50 a.m.. followed by Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.10 a.m. prior to Mass.

BAPTISMS:

By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Brandon to arrange a date, please contact Claire O'Donnell 07743 704383 (text or 'phone).

- Congratulations and a very warm welcome to our Parish for **Evelyn Rose Whalley**, whose Baptism is this Sunday. Please pray for the family as they continue their journey of faith with their new daughter and her big sister.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: William Lumley, Rachel Buckley, Rosaline Ives, Nora Elizabeth Reilly, Henry Sweeney, Eileen Bridget Bryne, Evelyn Siddall, Glyn Roberts, Thomas Martin, Elizabeth Baker, Dolly Cooper, Ronald Alfred Wells, Eileen Hughes, Thomas Patrick Nicholls, Godfrey Z Mullins, Frederick McGhee, William A J Davies, Paul Joseph Herbert, Ann Lee, Martha Winifred Shea, Peter Burton (Snr), Christina Rita Newton,

Agnes Harvey, Catherine Carney, Florence Beryl Fairhead, Bernard Patrick McGuinness, Llewellyn Trevor Pickmere, Ned O'Gorman, Thomas Boyle, Geoffrey Alan Wilding, Amelia Mary King, William Butler-Langford, Kathleen Amelia Swinton, Ann Cooper, Mary Teresa Hinde, William Ward McGlown, Arthur May, Angela Lennon, Linda Lumley, William Nash, Veronica Carr, James Edward Casman, Alba Martin, Bernard Joseph Wilkinson

OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate:	£405.70
Planned Giving:	£462.68
Average Weekly Standing Orders:	£720.00
Candles	£ 47.60

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

22nd May Ellesmere & Chester Youth Group
Lourdes Pilgrimage 2016

29th May Jackie Turvey & Sue Zimbabwe

5th June **ANNUAL BARBEQUE**

Tea, coffee and juice are served in the hall after both Sunday Masses. All are welcome.

UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Newry Park, Grange Road and Eversley Park.
- Vocations to the Ministry, Foundations for Ministry and those in current training.
- All lay people in their varied ministries in our churches

CONFIRMATION:

If you would like to be Confirmed this October and have not yet signed up, please email stcolumbatheresaconfirmation@hotmail.co.uk asap.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:

Family celebrations of the Sacrament continue throughout May. At the 11.00 a.m. Mass this Sunday and next, some or all of the central pews will be reserved for the children and their families.

- We pray for and congratulate those making their first Holy Communion this weekend: Evie Burns, Evie Darke, Charlotte Gray, Hannah Griffith, Niamh Higgins, Matthew Kearney, Shea Kearney, Phoebe Liddiard, Conor Smith.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

22nd – 29th MAY:

This year URC Upton (Heath Road) are hosting the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The service times are as follows:

Day 1	Sunday 22 nd May	6.30pm-7.15pm
Day 2	Monday 23 rd May	6.45pm-7.15pm
Day 3	Tuesday 24 th May	6.45pm-7.15pm.
Day 4	Wednesday 25 th May	6.45pm-7.15pm
Day 5	Thursday 26 th May	6.45pm-7.15pm
Day 6	Friday 27 th May	6.45pm-7.15pm
Day 7	Saturday 28 th May	6.45pm-7.15pm
Day 8	Sunday 29 th May	6.30pm-7.15pm

The three churches take turns to lead the services and St. Columba's parish will lead Day 3 and Day 4 (24th and 25th May).

All parishioners are cordially invited to attend any of the services.

The liturgy each day has been prepared by the churches of Latvia.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK:

- Wednesday: **St. Bede the Venerable** (673-735). As a monk, he spent most of his life in Jarrow, Lindisfarne and York, and is famous for his biblical and historical writings. Bede's "History of the English Church and People" is his most important work. It tells how Christianity played a vital role in creating a sense of national identity at a time when England was still divided into a number of kingdoms.
- Friday: **St. Augustine of Canterbury** (d. 605). He was one of the most influential figures in the conversion of Anglo-Saxon England to the Roman episcopal style of Christianity. He was appointed by Gregory the Great to head a band of 40 monks to preach the gospel to the heathen English. They landed in Kent and within a few years had converted Ethelbert, the most powerful of the Anglo-Saxon Kings, and established the first cathedral at Canterbury.

ELLESMERE PORT & CHESTER LOURDES

YOUTH GROUP:

Our Lourdes Youth Group will be present in all our parishes this weekend, asking your support for the Duck Race to raise funds for this year's Pilgrimage. The race will be held on **Sunday 29th May** and winners informed. Our Lourdes Group is very grateful for all help received from our parishes. Please support as best you are able. Ducks cost £1 each.

'NUNS & ROSARIES' CONCERT AT ST. COLUMBA'S:

Following a successful evening at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port a little while back, the musicians & singers from our Lourdes Youth Group will be performing again under the name of 'Nuns & Rosaries!' on **Saturday 4th June** in St. Columba's Hall. This will be at approximately 8.00pm, following the Vigil Mass. The musicians & singers are an excellent and talented group, and this will be a great concert, raising funds for our Lourdes Youth & Youth SVP ministries. Please bring your own choice of drinks. Tea, coffee & light refreshments will be available. Tickets are £5 each & available from Anthony Hunt on: 07714 160268, Deacon Tony on: 0151 339 9684 or Sandra on: 07854 629846. All are very welcome.

PAUSE FOR HOPE, SUNDAY 5th JUNE:

Here at St. Columba's at 3.00 p.m. An ecumenical service, led by Bishop Mark, 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.

ST. COLUMBA'S SOCIAL EVENTS DIARY:

Sunday, 5th June: Annual BBQ after 11.00 a.m. Mass to celebrate St. Columba's Anniversary - Burgers and Hot Dogs £1 each.

Friday, 22nd July: Trip to Worcester; the list is now up in the front porch for people's names, and the coach will leave St Columba's car park at 09:00 returning at approx 7:30 pm, The cost is £12:50 per person.

URSULINE CONVENT REUNION:

The Ursuline Convent Chester closed 40 years ago this year. A reunion is being organised for any girls who were at the school in its final years in the 1970s. The reunion will be at the Blossoms Hotel in St John Street, Chester, on **Saturday 25th June** between 2.30pm and 5pm. Afternoon tea will be served (cost £12.50). If you are a Chester Convent 'old girl' from the 1970s and would like to attend, please contact Catherine Jones by email: catherinejones650@gmail.com

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:

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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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