



# St Columba's Church

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## THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST:

**SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016 – NINTH 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.
<b>FUNERAL SERVICE</b>	10.30 a.m.
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>7.00 p.m.</b>
Saturday:	9.15 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass:	7.15 p.m.
Sunday:	9.15 a.m. 11.00 a.m.

### INTENTIONS:

The Parish
Elizabeth Williams
Peter O'Hora
Bill Browne
Sr. Margaret Wilkinson
Elizabeth Lambert
Charlie Woods
Caroline McMahan
Ken Hall
<b>NO MORNING MASS.</b>
Mary James
The Parish
Bonifacio Sindol

### 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).

### HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on **2<sup>nd</sup> June** at 12.15pm in the Countess of Chester hospital Chapel. This is for patients/outpatients, staff, families and friends, and the wellbeing of our hospitals, including the Bowmere. All are welcome.

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA:

29th May	Jackie Turvey & Sue Zimbabwe
5th June	<b>ANNUAL BARBEQUE</b>
12th June	CWL Parish
19th June	3rd World

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

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: 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, Ernest Gordon George Kirk, Dorothy Davies, Catherine Ryan, Kathleen Nancy Wood, Patricia Gardner, William Arthur Evans, Gerald Joseph McEnery, Raymond O'Brien, Winifride McDonald, Margaret Lewis, Thomas James Croghan, Jennifer Pearl Byrne, Andrew McRoberts, Letitia Doran, Felix Wilkinson, Donal Murphy, Margaret Banks, Bill Sweeney, Nancy Joan Woods, Eileen Beck, Cornelius McNamara, Stan Benson, Edmund Rodgers, Hazel Marjorie Russell, Charles Traynor, Zygmunt Michalak, Thomas Moore, Joan Edwards, Stanley James Tilston.

### OFFERTORY:

Loose Plate:	£642.21
Planned Giving:	£474.76
Average Weekly Standing Orders:	£720.00

### Donations:

Candles:	£70.74
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### UPTON CHURCHES PRAYER DIARY:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Ormonde Road, Newton Hall Drive, Beechway, Upton Dene & Upton Grange.
- For the staff and patients of the Hospice of the Good Shepherd and the local support groups.
- For those who are terminally ill and those who care for them.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:

This Sunday we congratulate and pray for Alisha Chukwu, Grace Fawcett, Marco Greig, Sebastian Perry, Antonio Rueda Solar, Delia Saji (blessing), and Emma Smith.

All the children who have received their First Holy Communion or a blessing during May will come together for the Parish Thanksgiving Mass on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June** at 11.00 a.m. Please continue to pray for them at this special time.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

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

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

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

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

## FR. JOHN KIRWAN –FIRE GUTS HIS HOUSE:

We have received an email from Fr. John (copy on notice board in the front porch) telling us of a fire at his house in Basankusu, DR Congo, on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. A paraffin-fired fridge exploded and the fire spread to engulf the whole house. Thankfully no-one was in at the time, but Fr. John has lost most of his personal possessions, clothes, equipment, medication, and the Mill Hill archives. We would like to send financial help to Fr. John, whose work in DR Congo this parish has supported over many years. The Third World wall boxes in both porches will be available for donations for the next few weeks, and we will have a Coffee Morning on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June**. Please remember Fr. John in your prayers.

## ST. COLUMBA'S SOCIAL EVENTS DIARY:



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

**Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 09:00am returning at approximately 7:30pm. The cost is £12:50 per person.

## RE-COMMISSIONING OF MoHC:

Re-Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion will take place at all week-end Masses. Thank you for all your support.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY:

There are still a few places available (double or twin rooms only left) on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome from 17-21 October. Full details are available on the Diocesan Website or contact Fr David Long at St Alban's, 30 Mill Lane, Wallasey CH44 5UD telephone 0151 638 1520.

## FOODBANK:

Thank you very much for your donations which come in regularly via the boxes in front and rear porches. Each month we are asked especially for items in short supply e.g. tinned meat/fish, juice, porridge and instant mash. These are noted on the lids of the boxes. You can find out more at <https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk>

## 17<sup>TH</sup> CHESTER GUIDES' THANK YOU:

Natasha, Sasha and Sophia from 17th Chester Guides would like to thank everyone for their fantastic support on Sunday 15th May. They raised £209 for their forthcoming trip to the Finjamboree in Finland and are very grateful for the generosity shown.

## ST WERBURGH'S WWI BOOKS:

There are a number of books remaining entitled 'Lest We Forget' regarding the fallen of WWI. They have been put together by a group from St Werburgh's Church, who counted many of the dead belonging to St Werburgh's, and many of their families now attend St Columba's Church. The books cost £10 each. If anyone is interested, please contact Ann Marie Curtis on 01244 851717.

## CHURCHES TOGETHER IN UPTON:

- Churches Together in Upton have recently extended the practice of praying for the residents of particular roads by encouraging individual prayer requests. These can be made in writing to: Prayer Meeting, Upton United Reformed Church, Heath Road, Chester, or by email: [info@uptonurc.org.uk](mailto:info@uptonurc.org.uk).
- Churches Together in Upton hold a Coffee Morning each Monday at The Pavilion, Wealstone Lane (next to the Library) from 10 a.m. to noon - an ideal opportunity to meet and make friends in a relaxed welcoming atmosphere. If anyone is interested in helping out, please come along on a Monday to find out more.

## ST. COLUMBA'S HALL BOOKINGS:

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

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## NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

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 **Thursday**. Please include a phone number in case of queries.

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