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- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30th JULY 2017

Saturday 29th July

St Theresa's	10.00a.m.	Special Intention
St Columba's	6.30p.m.	John Cotter Vigil

Sunday 30th July

St Theresa's	9.30a.m.	Parishioners' Intentions
St Columba's	11.00a.m.	The Parish

Monday 31st July – St Ignatius of Loyola

St Columba's	9.15a.m.	Secular Clergy Fund
St Theresa's	9.30a.m.	Private Intentions (EML)

Tuesday 1st August – St Alphonsus Mary Liguori

St Columba's	9.15a.m.	Private Intention
St Theresa's	6.30a.m.	George Kelly

Wednesday 2nd August

St Columba's	9.15a.m.	Stephen Jones
St Theresa's	7.00p.m.	The Faithful Departed

Thursday 3rd August – St Oswald

St Theresa's	9.00a.m.	Special Intention
St Columba's	9.15a.m.	Priest' Intentions

Friday 4th August – St John Vianney

St Theresa's	8-8.55a.m.	Exp of the Blessed Sacrament
	9.00a.m.	Charles Woods RIP
St Columba's	7.00p.m.	Parishioners' Intentions

Saturday 5th August – Dedication of Cathedral St. Mary

St Theresa's	10.00a.m.	Special Intention
St Columba's	6.30p.m.	Roman Boryslawski Vigil

Sunday 6th August – The Transfiguration of The Lord

St Theresa's	9.30a.m.	Parishioners' Intentions
St Columba's	11.00a.m.	The Parish

MORNING PRAYER (St Columba's):

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

BAPTISMS:

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

St Theresa's: Please contact Mike Maxwell 01244 881425.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £377.19; Planned Giving £387.13; Average Weekly Standing Orders £720.00; Candles £43.78.

St Theresa's: £297.83; Average weekly standing orders £130.

ST. COLUMBA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: John Joseph Murphy, Thomas Cecil Joseph Vickers, Andree J McAndrew, Thomas Reginald (Reg) Savage, Philip George Jones, Frederick Eames, Ian Tonge, Christopher Worth, Arthur Kirby, Henry McGabe, Donna Twilley, James Jacobs, Stanley Hodkinson, Catherine Jones, Sheila Ranson, Charles Evans, Mary (Maureen) Elizabeth Grew, Anthony Roach, Joseph Borg, Anastasia Heffernan, Eric (Michael) Jones, Winnie Cowley, Thomas John Dunne, Raymond Martin, John Randle, Patrick Cunniff, Alfred Moore.

ST. THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers: Nora Smith, George Ernest Jones, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Terence Peter Reynolds, Maureen P Jordan, Maria Dolores Parry, Austin Jackson, Dulcie Edith Carrie, Pamela Audrey Holden, George Kelly, Josephine Mary Dodsworth, Clara Reade, Patrick Brian Morgan, Sarah Kate Potts, John Morgan, Norma Elizabeth O'hanlon, Clifford Smith, Elizabeth Llody-Davies, Janet McHugh.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- Residents of Rhuddlan Road, Carmel Close, Rose Close, Stamford Road, Marina Drive, Cross Green, and Chatsworth Drive.
- For Upton Amblers, Walkers Group, Trekkers and all who meet together for outdoor pursuits.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN UPTON – 5TH SUNDAY SERVICE – COME AND JOIN US!

On **Sunday 30th July**, St Columba's is hosting a short 5th Sunday Service in the main Church. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together with the parishioners of other Churches for prayer and worship. There will be tea and coffee in the hall afterwards.

The service starts at 6.30p.m. All welcome!

OFFICE CLOSURE!

The Office will be closed from **Friday 28th July** until **Thursday 3rd August** inclusive. Any Pastoral issues, please contact Deacon Lawrence on 07960517463. Many thanks.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

30th July Sue Carr

6th August Heather Lannin Sierra Leone Projects

13th August CWL Parish

Tea, coffee and juice are served in the Hall after the 11.00 am Mass. All are welcome.

St Theresa's:

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Parish Club after 9.30 am Mass. All are very welcome.

ST COLUMBA'S GARDENS:

Until recently the gardening club used to meet on the first Saturday of every month to keep the gardens and surrounds tidy. Unfortunately, the group who did this are no longer able to keep this up for a variety of reasons. Therefore, we are looking for volunteers to take on the maintenance of the garden and surround, this could be individuals or groups some of who may like to responsible for only one part of the gardens, this also counts towards the DofE awards scheme. This does not necessarily have to be on a Saturday. However, 5th August is the first Saturday so to re-start the gardening club if anyone is interested this would seem like a good time to start meeting at 10.00a.m. Teas and coffees provided.

ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. THERESA'S:

Starting from 7th August, there will be live entertainment every Monday afternoon from 1.00 – 5.00 pm in St Theresa's Social Club. All from St. Theresa's, St. Columba's and any other parish are welcome. It will be a good place to meet, be entertained and be a part of a beautiful gathering. The music will be provided by "Caubeen" with an Irish and Country flavour. £2 entry per person.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2017:

Our Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes is underway (with Fr Jonathan one of the pilgrims. Please keep the Pilgrimage in your prayers all the time we are away and we will be remembering all of you. You may wish to join us by the live feed on the Lourdes Website when we gather on Sunday for the International Mass at 8.30am (BST) and for the Grotto Mass with the Diocese of Salford on Monday, 31 July at 8.45am (BST). We will also be taking part in the Torchlight Procession on Saturday, 29 July at 8pm (BST) and the Blessed Sacrament Procession and Blessing of the Sick on Monday, 31 July at 4pm (BST). (www.lourdes-france.org)

HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI FLOWER MEMORIAL:

8-9p.m on **Sunday 6th August**, meeting at the Bandstand on The Groves Chester. To remember all those who dies and suffered as a result of the atomic bombs dropped in 1945, and in the firm belief that it must never happen again. All are welcome to meet for readings, a period of silent reflection and the dropping of flowers on the river. Bring white flowers if you wish.

MENINGITIS NOW COFFEE MORNING – THANK YOU:

Many thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make this such a great success. A long with many donations TOGETHER, we have raised over £500 so far for future research. I will let you know the final total when I have it. God bless you all.

If someone took home a large Tupperware box by mistake with the names Cis on it in red letters, could you please return it to me. Many thanks, Cathy Murphy.

HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday 3rd August** at 12.15p.m. 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.

NEW YOUTH GROUP:

From September, we are starting a monthly youth group evening. This will be for young parishioners aged 10 – 14 years, from any Chester parish, based at St. Columba's. It will be evenings of fun, games and activities, with a faith-based theme, hopefully day/weekend trips and retreats too. We need several volunteers to make this a success. If you are interested in helping this new group please contact Anthony Hunt on 07714 160268.

CAFOD SUPPORT GROUP STRAWBERRY TEA:

Many thanks to all who supported this last Sunday, around £300 was raised and everyone enjoyed their tea and scones. Even the sun shone after a rainy start to the day.

CLEANERS' ROTA A (ST THERESA'S):

We would welcome another couple of people to make up a 4th team, which would everyone would only have to clean the church once a month. Please contact the office on 01244 371660 if you can help.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH & HALL BOOKINGS:

If you wish to arrange meetings etc. in either the Church or the Iona Chapel, please make a booking through Carol Galvin,

Church Office: 01244 624019, email

stcolumbaschurch2016@outlook.com

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

columbashallbookings@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Harry Sweeney tel: 01244 327462
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Items for inclusion can be left in the Sacristy at either church.

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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