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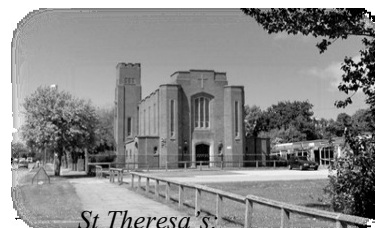
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❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

15th APRIL 2018

Saturday 14th April

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. No Mass
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish - **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 15th April

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Parishioners Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Charlie McNelis

Monday 16th April

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. No Mass
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Vera Kennedy

Tuesday 17th April

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Anne Rooney
St. Theresa's 6.30 p.m. No Mass

Wednesday 18th April

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Nora Ryan
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. No Mass

Thursday 19th April

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. No Mass
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Annie May McGrath

Friday 20th April

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. No Mass
St Columba's 7.00 p.m. Tony Jones

Saturday 21st April

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. No Mass
St Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish – **Vigil Mass**

Sunday 22nd April

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Choir Members
(Past and Present)

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 8.50 a.m. followed at 9.10a.m. by Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour prior to Mass.

CONFESSIONS

St. Columba's: Between 6.00 p.m. and 6.25 p.m. before the Vigil Mass. At other times by arrangement with Fr. Jonathan.

St. Theresa's: By appointment

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 Fr. Isidore or Mike Maxwell 07851 720217 text or 'phone.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £332.64; Planned Giving £357.47; Average Weekly Standing Orders £735.00; Candles £42.06.

St. Theresa's: £243.95. Average weekly standing orders £80. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for **Beryl Chapman, Ann McGowan Scanlon, Norman Roddy and Philomena Pellegrini** who died recently. May the Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their family and friends.

The Funeral Service for Norman is at St Theresa's on Tuesday 24th April at 2pm. The Requiem Mass for Philomena Pellegrini is yet to be confirmed. Beryl's Requiem Mass will take place at St. Columba's on Thursday 3rd May at 12 noon.

ST. COLUMBA'S AND ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Monica Hunter, Daniel Joseph Keegan, Samuel Peter Moseley, Teresa Edge, John O'Regan, Bernard Jackson, Richard Henry Littler, Cara Elizabeth Messer, John Palmer, Eric Gerald Barlow, John William Herbert, Terence Shirley, Patricia Westrom, Margaret Mary Welby, Elizabeth Poole, Noel Francis Evans, Margaret May Weston, Rodney Peters-Jones, Mary Winifred Murphy, Anthony Allingham, Brendan Joseph Nolan, Susan Josephine McLaughlin, Bridget Ann Garner, Maria O'Sullivan, Alison Margaret Kelly, Mary Grubb, Derrick Wyndham Jones, Leslie Charles Ivor Hutfield.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Dyserth Road, Cadnant Close, Aberdaron Drive, Cemlyn Close, Essex Road, Deva Lane and Walnut Close.
- The Library, Pavilion and recreational areas in our communities.
- All adults and children that they will be safe as they enjoy leisure time.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

15 th April	Scout Jamboree	Themselves
22 nd April	Sue Bownas	Retreat House
29 th April	SVP	SVP

Tea, coffee and juice are served in the Hall after the 11.00a.m. Mass. Please call Marg Curtis 318424 to choose a Sunday when you can raise money for a charity of your choice.

St Theresa's:

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

MUSIC RECITAL:

This week, after 11a.m. Mass, in the church hall during coffee, Nicholas Broughton, a member of the Halle Orchestra and the Manchester Bridgewater Hall Orchestra and will be playing the Classical Double Bass and Guitar to raise funds for the World Scout Jamboree. We also have a special guest to help raise funds and hope that the generosity of our supportive parish will reach deep for our young people.

THANK YOU:

Thank you very much to everyone who helped with or supported the Coffee Morning for the Third World Group at St. Columba's last Sunday. We raised £130.74.

UPTON CHURCHES TOGETHER – DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – ANNUAL TRIP:

On **Wednesday 23rd May**, there will be a coach trip organised by CTU. This will consist of a guided tour of Norton Priory followed by afternoon tea at Liverpool Anglican Cathedral and finishing with Choral Evening Prayer at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. Cost: £20. If you would like to book a place on this trip, please contact John Butler 01244 383703.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Friday 27th April – Family Bingo Night at St Columba's Hall
Sunday 13th May – Spring Fayre at St Theresa's
Sunday 10th June – BBQ to celebrate the Anniversary of St Columba
Friday 27th July – Annual Coach trip to Sheffield

FAMILY BINGO – FRIDAY 27th APRIL:

Starting at 7.00 p.m. we will be holding a fun Family Bingo evening, to win prizes, in St. Columba's church hall. All are welcome, including those who are attending Mass first. There will be teas, coffees and juice, please bring anything stronger yourself. Entry is only £1.00.

SPRING FAYRE – SUNDAY 13th MAY:

We need the following items for the Spring Fayre: - jewellery, toiletries, bric a brac, toys and games. We will ask for cakes to be brought in on the day. We have decided not to have books and CD's this year. please leave your items in the sacristy. Thank You.

RED MISSION BOXES:

The annual St Columba's Red Mission Box results for 2017 was £1,697.40. Thank you all for your continued support.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

On Monday morning 16th April, thirty parishioners will set out on pilgrimage to Walsingham, returning on Thursday 19th April. Prayers will be offered for our Parish at Our Lady's Shrine, please keep the pilgrims in your prayers.

St. Columba's office will be closed during the Pilgrimage. If you require a Priest **urgently** please contact The Franciscans on 01244-351331 or Fr. Jude on 07440-314905.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

This year marks the 160th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady to Bernadette in Lourdes. The Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from **26th July – 3rd August** overland and **27th July – 2nd August** by air. Fr. Jonathan is taking a group of parishioners (by air). If you are interested, please contact either Fr. Jonathan or the Parish Office for further details.

AN EVENING WITH FARNDON BRASS ENSEMBLE & FRIENDS:

Fancy an evening of popular music, light-hearted verse and repartee whilst enjoying your own picnic and wine. (Tea and coffee will be available during the interval). If so, then join us on **Saturday 21st April** at 6.00pm (doors open 5.30pm) at Upton United Reformed Church, Heath Road. Tickets £5 at the door, children free.

UPTON-BY-CHESTER ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY -

To be held in "The Hub" at Upton High School on **Monday 23rd April** commencing at 7.00 pm. Upton residents are urged to attend this Assembly and to offer their views on local Upton issues. The evening will include a guest speaker from the Countess of Chester Country Park. An "Open Forum" will allow residents to have their say on any concerns affecting the local Upton community. Further details available from the Parish Clerk: clerk@uptonbychester.org.uk

HEALING MASS:

For all families that are affected by mental illness and those that work with them. A Healing Mass will be held at St James', 40, Underwood Road, Hattersley, Hyde, SK14 3DH on **Saturday 21st April** at 12 Noon. There will be an Anointing of the Sick during the Mass and an opportunity for socialising and meeting members of the Diocesan Mental Health Action Group afterwards.

THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST:

Sherry Weddell will be giving a talk on what it means to be a "fruitful disciple", at St. Ambrose College, Hale Barns. For further details email barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

VACANCIES FOR FULL TIME YOUTH MINISTERS:

The Parishes of St Michael and All Angels, and St Maximilian Kolbe, are looking to employ a full time Parish Youth Ministers to engage with young people in their Parishes and local areas. Full details can be found on the diocesan website: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies

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 Muriel Green
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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 **9am on Thursday**. Please include a phone number in case of queries.
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