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MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

3rd JUNE 2018

Saturday 2nd June

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish - **Vigil**

Sunday 3rd June – Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Parishioners Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Eileen Beck

Monday 4th June

St. Theresa's 9.00am Private Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Connie Duffy

Tuesday 5th June – St Boniface

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Anne Sheeran
St. Theresa's 6.30 pm Sharon Sheen RIP

Wednesday 6th June

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. William Nash
St Theresa's **7.00pm** Michael Rigby

Thursday 7th June

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15am Fr Michael Youell

Friday 8th June – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

St Theresa's **8.00 a.m-8.55 am** Expos. Of the Blessed
Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Special Intention
St Columba's 7.00p.m. Clergy Secular Fund

Saturday 9th June – Immaculate Heart of the BVM

St. Theresa's 10.00a.m. Parishioners Intentions
St Columba's 6.30 pm The Parish - **Vigil**

Sunday 10th June

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Min & Joe Gannon RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Patricia Baker

MORNING PRAYER (St Columba's):

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

CONFESSION:

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: Confessions are heard after every weekday Mass.

BAPTISMS:

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

St. Theresa's: To arrange a Baptism please contact Fr. Isidore or Mike Maxwell on 07851 720217.

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for **Mary Sherman**, who died recently. May the Lord grant her Eternal Life and console her family and friends.

Mary's Requiem Mass will take place at **12 noon on Monday 11th June at St. Columba's Church**. The relatives of Mary have asked that anyone attending the Requiem wear bright colours, if they wish.

ST COLUMBA'S AND ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Andrew McRoberts, Felix Wilkinson, Letitia Doran. Andrew McRoberts, Donal Murphy, Margaret Banks, Bill Sweeney, Nancy Joan Woods, Cornelius McNamara, Stan Benson, Edmund Rodgers, Hazel Marjorie Russell, Charles Traynor
Zygmunt Michalak, Thomas Moore, Joan Edwards, Stanley James Tilston, Nippy Coogan, Helen Maria Madden, Berti (Ian) McClellan, David Leslie Skinner, Catherine Lavelle, David Morgan, John Anthony Walmsley, Harry Underwood, John Cunningham, Mary Austin, Roy Anthony Duckers, Maureen Jamieson, Cyril Wilkes, Monica (Mary) Callow, Brian Harrison, Eileen Agnes Lunt, Doris Scott, Mary McGonagle, Ernest Woods, Maureen Birukowska, Teresa McKeane, Malcolm Patrick Phelan, Min Gannon, Dorothy Barlow, Patrick Murphy.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate: £476.03. Planned Giving: £425.16. Average Weekly Standing Orders: £677.00. Candles: £40.54.

St. Theresa's: £220.18 plus £80 average standing orders. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, SUNDAY 3rd JUNE:

This takes place in both churches after the Sunday Mass today.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS, ST. COLUMBA'S:

All the children who have received their First Holy Communion during May will come together for a Parish Thanksgiving Mass on **Sunday 10th June** at 11.00 a.m. Please continue to pray for them at this special time.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS, ST THERESA'S:

Please remember in your prayers those children making their First Holy Communion on **Sunday 17th June**, and also their families.

BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

There is a joint service on Sunday 17th June at 3pm at united Reformed Church. All welcome.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Plas Newton Lane, Wealstone Court, Surrey Rd. Cleaver Rd. Downham Place. Stratford Rd & Walton Place.
- For the Deanery Synod representatives.
- For all our joint services in our Churches, Schools and in the Cathedral.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

3rd June Marg & Jacque Friendship Lunch
10th June SUMMER FAIR BARBECUE
17th June CWL Parish
24th June Scout Jamboree

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the hall after the 11am 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 9.30 am Mass. All are very welcome.

CONFIRMATION:

Our next Confirmation Mass will be on Tuesday 27th November. If you are at high school, or older and would like to join the preparation program please sign up now by filling in a form from the bright pink folder the sacristy marked 'Confirmation'. Please put completed forms back in the pink folder. If you want more information please contact Denise Lusk on 379742.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING:

There will be an information meeting on Tuesday 12th June, at 7pm, in the Iona chapel for anyone who wants to be Confirmed. Please try to fill a form in before the meeting so we can have enough information packs ready. If you are not sure about being Confirmed please come to the meeting and find out more about it. Under 18's please bring a parent with you to the meeting.

ADULT CONFIRMATION GROUP:

We have a group of adults preparing to be Confirmed in November. If you would like to join the group please speak to Father Jonathan.

YOUTH GROUP (10-14 years)

The next Youth group will be on Monday 11th June, starting 7.15pm in the Iona chapel, finishing 9pm in the hall/on the field. If you are new to the youth group please bring a parent to sign the consent form

PAUSE FOR HOPE, SUNDAY 3rd JUNE:

Has Cancer touched your family? There is an opportunity to come together with others in prayer and reflection at 3.30pm in Chester Cathedral. With music led by the Choir of Chester Cathedral and the Cheshire Chord Company. See posters in the porches or on the parish website, Notice Board section.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Sunday 10th June Annual BBQ

Our annual BBQ to celebrate the feast of St. Columba will be after 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday 10th June tea & coffee available from 11am. Burgers & Hot Dogs available £1.50 each.

Friday 27th July Annual Coach Trip

This year our coach trip is to Sheffield, leaving St. Columba's at 8:45 a.m. and St. Theresa's at 09 o'clock returning around 7 p.m. There is a list in the front porch of both Churches for names, plus details of some of the attractions you may wish to visit. The cost of the trip is £12 per head.

MISSIO RED MISSION BOXES-ST COLUMBA'S

Could those parishioners holding Red Mission boxes please leave them in the sacristy for Marg Curtis to collect. You can collect your emptied box from the table in the rear porch of the church. Thank you for your continued support.

MISSIO APF MILL HILL:

This year the Annual APF Red Box Summer Mass for our supporters is in St Helen's Church, Crosby on Saturday 16th June, at 12 noon. All are welcome.

ST THERESA'S OFFICE

St Theresa's office will be closed this week, 4-8 June, If you have any items for the newsletter please e mail them direct to Alison Wrigglesworth at the e mail address given for next week's editor. You will still be able to contact Fr Isidore on 01244 371660.

JUNE 2018 SYMPOSIUM ON THE EUCHARIST:

Fr. Oliver Treanor will return to the Diocese to give two talks on the Eucharist. These will be given both in the north (9th June, Hale Barns) and in the south (10th June, Shrewsbury Cathedral). The programme will begin with Mass. Details on poster and website. Enquiries: Barbara Davies 07730 526 821. Registration: Helen Jones 0151 652 9855; email helen.jones@dioceseofshrewsbury.org; or on-line.

WIRRAL COASTAL WALK. SUN 24th JUNE:

This is an organised sponsored walk around the tip of the Wirral peninsula, in which CAFOD and many other charities take part. In the past fifteen years, CAFOD walkers have raised over £182,000 to support work with some of the poorest communities around the world. This year proceeds will go to CAFOD's general emergency response fund. The walk can be of varying length 4, 10 or 15 miles, mainly flat, making it suitable for the very young as well as the not so young! For further information and sponsorship packs, please ring 0151 632 5504 or 01244 677594 – Katie Hallows, CAFOD Community Participation Coordinator.

CAFOD dates for your diary:

24th June from 2pm-4pm at Ann McCarthy's – Strawberry Tea – all proceeds to CAFOD.

22nd July at 2pm – "Share the Journey" Pope Francis has launched this new global campaign for the rights of people on the move. Please keep the date free. Further details to follow.

EVENING OF MUSIC AND FUN: in Aid of Ellesmere Port & Chester Lourdes Youth Group

Friday May 19th 2017, 7:30 hosted by Ellesmere Port & Chester Catenians. St Columba's Parish Hall; Cheese, & Nibbles, complimentary glass of Wine, Coffee & Tea. Bring your own drink & glasses. Raffle
Tickets £7.50 (under 16s free) from Francis Coxhead
07816 958627 fcxhead@yahoo.co.uk

VACANCIES AT THE FIRS SCHOOL:

The school (in Newton Lane) is looking for two Teaching Assistants to start in September, one working in a class the other working with SEN. Previous experience working with children is desirable. NVQ in childcare needed. Mon-Fri 9am-12pm during term time. If you are interested in either job please contact admin@firsschool.org or phone 01244 322443 for pay details, an application form and job description. Closing date **11th June**.

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 Alison Wrigglesworth
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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.
Website: www.stcolumbachester.org.uk

**SVP THEATRE NIGHT "DIAL M FOR MURDER"
WEDNESDAY 6th JUNE:**

This year's SVP Theatre night will be performed by the
Bebington Dramatic Society at the Gladstone Theatre Port
Sunlight and will raise money in aid of the SVP Holiday Home at
Talacre Beach. The Holiday home provides a chance for those
who are unable to get away, particularly families, to have a lovely
seaside break free of charge. Tickets are £9:00 and if anyone
would like a ticket please contact Mark Traynor 07752 317772
email: marktraynor96@gmail.com.

ALTAR SERVERS:

If anyone who has received their First Holy Communion is
interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Richard
Curtis on rich.curtis89@yahoo.co.uk or 07787782255.

DIOCESAN VACANCY:

A vacancy has arisen for a Support Worker to assist the Diocesan
Welfare Officer. The successful applicant will support the
Welfare Officer assisting in visiting and participating in the care
of sick and retired priests in their own home, or community
setting. Further information at
www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies or send
CV to Pauline.mcculloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org
Closing date **Friday 8th June**.

ST THERESA'S SCHOOL AND NURSERY:

They currently have some availability to welcome new children
to their school and Nursery Classes. 30 hour funded Nursery
Places are available. Please contact school for further information
and to arrange a viewing: 01244 981070

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY:

A new CLC group is starting up in Chester and they will meet
regularly to pray and share, supporting one another through the
ups and downs of ordinary life. If you would like to learn more
about CLC and are interested in this group, please contact Judith
O'Neill on 0161 465 1368

LET'S MOVE TOGETHER:

Gentle exercises for the over 55s. £3.50 per session.
St Columba's – Wednesday 2-3pm
Vernon Institute, Saughall – Thursday 10.30-11.30am
Blacon URC – Friday 10-11am
For more info. Ring 07933306745.