



Catholic Churches of St Columba and St Theresa

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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26TH AUGUST 2018

Saturday 25th August

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

Sunday 26th August

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Stephen Taylor RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Michael Holland

Monday 27th August – St Monica

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Milly Pazuik

Tuesday 28th August – St Augustine, B, D

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Patrick O'Donovan
St. Theresa's 6.30 a.m. Private Intention

Wednesday 29th August – Passion of St. John the Baptist

St Columba's 12 noon **Requiem Mass for Graham William Leech**
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Parishioners Intentions

Thursday 30th August – Ss Margaret Ward, V Clitherow and Anne Line

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Private Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Joseph Cunniffe

Friday 31st August – St Aidan & Saints of Lindisfarne

St Theresa's 8.00-8.55am Expos. of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St Columba's 7.00 p.m. Gladys & Bob Carr

Saturday 1st September

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

Sunday 2nd September

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

WELCOME:

We welcome Fr. Joseph who will be celebrating ALL Masses this week-end and will also be giving an appeal on behalf of the Holy Ghost Fathers.

MORNING PRAYER: (St Columba's):

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

CONFESSIONS

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

St. Theresa's: After every weekday Mass.

BAPTISMS:

St. Columba's: By appointment. After speaking to Fr. Jonathan to arrange a date, please contact Claire O'Donnell 07743704383

St. Theresa's: To arrange a Baptism, please contact Fr. Isidore or Mike Maxwell on 07851 720217 or email mike.maxwell28@gmail.com.

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for Graham Leech who died recently. May the Lord grant him Eternal Life and console his family and friends.

Graham's Requiem will be held at St. Columba's at 12 noon on **Wednesday 29th August.**

ST COLUMBA'S AND ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Paul McKenna, Gwen Jones, Michael Holland, Winifred Walker, Kathleen Hopkins, Elizabeth "Lil" Jones, James Michael Layden, Violet Winifred Bailey, Ursula Joan Sarsfield, James (Jimmy) Tallon, Eileen Buckley, Lester McMahon, Mary Powell, Joseph Rowlands, Eileen Gittins, John Bulmer, James Brownhill, Stephen James Taylor, Harry Jones, Ellen Byrne, Ann Clayden, Brian Joseph Dunlea, John Albert Hodgkinson, Frederick Arthur Moore, Michael James Graham, Maragret Mary Coppack, Catherine Elizabeth Bowers, Peter Lane, Jessie Teresa Andrews, Mary Phillips, Baby Jessica Howell, Frederick Alexander Davies, Lawrence Francis James Burns, Michael Terence Hutfield, Joyce Townson, Robert (Bob) Killen, Frederick A Davies.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £339.10, Planned Giving £270.56; Average Weekly Standing Orders £735.00, Candles £65.12.

St. Theresa's: £268.38. Average weekly standing orders £80.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

ADDITIONAL ALTAR SERVERS:

There is a growing need for additional altar servers as the current team members begin to move on. 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.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

26 th August	Liz & Chris	Tombola
2 nd September	Scout Jamboree	Rebecca Rippon
9 th September	Needles & Pins	Parish
16 th September	Cath High PTA	Parish

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the hall after the 11am Mass.

St. Theresa's:

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

MISSION TODAY (St Columba's):

The Autumn edition of Mission Today are available at the back of the Church. You are welcome to take as many as you want to read at your leisure.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Oakfield Drive, Flag Lane South, Upton Lane, Weldon Close, Meynell Place, Marlowe Close, Palgrave Close and Tennyson Walk.
- For the Wardens, Deputy Wardens, Side persons and Collectors.
- For our Churches being welcoming to newcomers.

POPE'S LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD:

You may have heard in the news that Pope Francis has written a heartfelt letter to the whole Church in response to further reports of clerical sexual abuse and cover-ups. In his letter he calls on the Church "to be close to victims in solidarity, and to join in acts of prayer and fasting in penance for such atrocities". There is a link to the full text of the Pope's letter on our parish website, Resources Section: <https://stcolumbachester.wordpress.com/pastoral-letters>

BLESSING AND DEDICATION CEREMONY OF GREAT WAR MEMORIAL ST. WERBURGH'S:

This will take place on **Tuesday 6th November** at 7:00p.m. Bishop Mark Davies will officiate, and many civic and other dignitaries will be present. Though anyone is welcome to attend, we particularly wish relatives of men named on the memorial to be present. The full list of these men can be seen on the parish website. For those who do come, parking will be available locally – follow the signs on the right. We ask that you be seated in Church at 6.45p.m. if possible. It would also help if those coming could let us know the numbers, so that sufficient seats are reserved for them. Email: Cheshire.historian@outlook.com

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL EXAM RESULTS:

Many congratulations to the students and all at the school for the excellent A-level results this year. High School Principal John Murray was delighted to announce that new school records had been set by this year's A-level students. The proportion of top grades was higher than ever, with 10% of entries gaining the coveted A* grade, and the combined A* and A grade score breaking through the 25% mark for the first time. With an overall pass rate of 97% the school continues to set a tremendous record both with the grades achieved and in terms of value added to students' experience.

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

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NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Harry Sweeney

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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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