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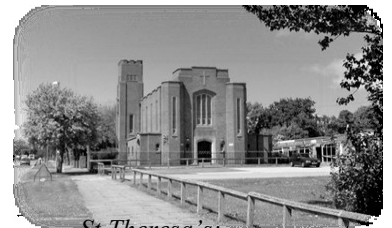
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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30th SEPTEMBER 2018

Saturday 29th September

St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. Austin Pinnington - Vigil

Sunday 30th September

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Keith Evans RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish
St Theresa's 2.00 p.m. Mass for the Celebration of
the Sick and Housebound
Refreshments in School afterwards

Monday 1st October

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. P.I. (S.T.R.)
St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. School Mass - Celebration

Tuesday 2nd October

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Ron Williams
St Theresa's 6.30 p.m. Private Intention

Wednesday 3rd October

St Columba's 9.15 a.m. Joyce Bownas
St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Priest's Intention

Thursday 4th October

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Special Intention (PPJ)

Friday 5th October

St. Theresa's 8.00-8.55 am Expos. of Blessed Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Dorothy Groome RIP
St. Columba's 7.00 p.m. Fr Leo Wilkinson RIP

Saturday 6th October

St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Murphy Family – Vigil
St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions

Sunday 7th October

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Eilish & Ian Trow's Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

MORNING PRAYER (St Columba's):

Until further notice Morning Prayer will take place before the Blessed Sacrament in Church 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.

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: 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 or email

mike.maxwell28@gmail.com

MASS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE SICK:

This is being held at St. Theresa's TODAY at 2pm followed by refreshments in St. Theresa's Primary School.

SONGS OF PRAISE AT HOLY ASCENSION:

There will be a Songs of Praise service **this Sunday, 30th September** at 4.30pm. Churches Together in Upton are coming together for a service of hymns and short prayers. This promises to be a lively and enjoyable service. Please come and join us - there will be a chance to chat over refreshments after the service.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £410.71; Planned Giving £301.00; Average Weekly Standing Orders £677.00; Candles £35.12.

St. Theresa's: £318.89 plus average standing orders of £80 per week. Home Missions £36.98

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

ST COLUMBA'S AND ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Carol Hughes, Margaret Murray, Austin Pinnington, June Semenzato, Marie Tobin, Doreen Nicholls, Joyce Bownas, Gale Bunker, Frank Queenan, Kathleen Galvin, Rev. Allan John Collina, Patrick Ryan, Veronica Maquire, Mary Southall, Patrick Joseph Hickey, Michael John Avery, Stephen Blundell, Patrick Joseph Hates, Patricia Margaret Evans, Keith Alexander Evans, Eric John Hocking, Veronica Thomas, Frances Davies, Margaret Ann Mullarkey, Julie Townsley, Mary Dorothy Groom, John Anthony Davies, Patricia Senhorinho, Antonia Lindop, Thomas Robert Boden.

ST. THERESA'S FEAST DAY:

I'm sure everyone will appreciate the beautiful arrangement of roses in St. Theresa's church this weekend for the celebration of the Feast Day of St. Theresa. If anyone would like to donate towards the cost of the flowers please put your donation in an envelope marked "Flowers" and place it in the offertory basket over the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

30th Sept Macmillan Coffee Morning
7th Oct Sue Carr Chernobyl Children
14th Oct SVP SVP

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

St. Theresa's:

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

HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on **4th October** 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.

ST COLUMBA'S COFFEE AND CAKES:

Coffee and cakes after 11am Mass next week is for Children from Chernobyl – to enable a group of young children from Belarus to spend a holiday in this area. While enjoying a good time, they also receive physical checks. Please come and support us, and buy a cake.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Church Lane, Nield Court, Grangeside, Palmerstone Close, Meadowside Mews, Highcliffe Avenue, Sherwood Road.
- The church organists and music leaders, for the ministry of music in our worship.

CAFOD:

Anne McCarthy will be speaking about CAFOD at all Masses this weekend. Chester CAFOD Support Group would like to invite you to join them at St Clare's (27 Downsfield Road, CH4 8HH) on **Tuesday 2nd October** at 7pm, when Mass will be offered for the work of CAFOD, followed by light refreshments and a short update on CAFOD's current projects and appeals, in the Parish room afterwards.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY FRIDAY 5th OCTOBER:

The Harvest Fast Day envelopes are available at all Masses this weekend. On Family Fast Day CAFOD invites us to share in the abundance that God has given us, and on this day to eat simply – perhaps having a bowl of soup instead of a meal – and to give the money we save in support of CAFOD's work among the poorest of the world. Please take an envelope and return it next weekend via the offertory baskets. Thank you for your support.

THANK YOU:

Thank you to Morrison's for their gift of the Harvest Sheaf last week, also to those who donated and bought harvest produce.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED:

Please join Bishop Mark and the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) next weekend as we welcome international speakers from the Church in Iraq and Pakistan to our diocese. Learn about their struggles in the face of extreme persecution and their hopes for a better future. Please pray for all those suffering persecution around the world. All are welcome.

Saturday 6th October: Mass for Persecuted Christians, the Cathedral (12 noon).

Sunday 7th October: Talks on the Suffering Church in Iraq & Pakistan, St Columba's, Chester (3:00pm).

SYMT YOUTH LEADERS' TRAINING DAYS:

For any adults working with young people, the training days are a great way to make new connections with other Youth Leaders, share ideas, and gain insight into Youth Ministry as a whole. Join us at one of the following Saturdays:

Saturday 6th October 10am to 2.30pm at St Columba's Church, then **Saturday 13th October** 10am to 2.30pm at St Joseph's Sale M33 3BF. More details can be found on our website www.symt.org.uk/whats-on/ (Please bring a packed lunch).

QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY 12th OCTOBER:

This is our annual Quiz Night, arranged in conjunction with Churches Together in Upton and held in St. Columba's Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Admission on the door £2, nibbles provided, teas and coffees served, but bring your own wine. The Quiz is arranged for teams of six - these can be pre-arranged or made up on the night, so if you are "unattached" do please come along! Not too serious, it is always a very enjoyable evening. Proceeds go to CAFOD and Christian Aid.

'SINGING FOR JUSTICE; SINGING FOR PEACE':

On **Sunday, 14th October**, 4.00pm, at Hoole URC church, there will be a 'Songs of Praise' type service organised by the Chester Christian Aid Committee. It will include hymns chosen and introduced by members of churches around Chester – including St. Columba's and St. Theresa's. There will be a retiring collection which will go to Christian Aid's Harvest Appeal. All welcome.

ONE WORLD WEEK

There will be a service at St Theresa's for this on **Saturday 20th October** at 11am.

CHIFUNDO COFFEE MORNING:

There will be a coffee morning on **Sunday 28th October 2018** at 12 noon at St Columba's in aid of CHANASA with Women's Enterprise Products from Malawi for sale. Please support this worthwhile cause. Please see noticeboards for further details.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION:

The CHS Parents' Association is looking for new parents to join the PA or just to help out at fundraising events. If you have a child at the Catholic High School and would like to get more involved in the school's life or give something back to the school, please join us. We welcome any level of commitment, from helping out at just one event every year to coming to all meetings and formally joining the committee. Any help is very much appreciated. For more information or to volunteer, please phone or text Cristina on 07816 569010 or email cgtrevisan@yahoo.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST COLUMBA'S:

Could you take a turn leading the children's liturgy at 11am Mass once every couple of months? All resources and ideas are provided. Dates to suit you. At present it is for primary school children, older children who'd like to help, and pre-school children with a parent or guardian. If you'd like more information or to volunteer, please contact Catherine on 07462 780 302 or catherine.green@care4free.net. Or come to a meeting after 11 o'clock mass on Sunday 30th September in the Iona Chapel. The next rota will start in October so you are welcome to come and see what happens before then.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (St Theresa's):

Children have the opportunity for their own Liturgy at the 9.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

RED MISSION BOX:

(St. Columba's): Could those holding Red Mission Boxes please leave them in the Sacristy. You can collect them, once emptied, from the table in the rear porch of the Church. Thank you.

(St. Theresa's): Would all those at St Theresa's who have the Red Mission Boxes please bring them in and leave in the sacristy to be counted. Thank you.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MASS FOR GRANDPARENTS:

12 noon on **Saturday 13th October** at St. Hugh's, 314 Manchester Rd, West Timperley, Altrincham WA14 5NB. Please bring your family to celebrate and give thanks for the part you play in the lives of your grandchildren. All priests are welcome to support grandparents in their parish by concelebrating. Afterwards there will be refreshments. The car park for St. Hugh's is behind the church off Abbotsford Grove, WA14 5HL.

'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually'):

The 2018 residential retreat will take place **Fri 26 - Sun 28 Oct.** Fr. Tony McGrath will lead the retreat entitled 'Living the Eucharistic Mystery' to coincide with 'The Year of the Eucharist'. Venue: St. Winefride's Guest House in Holywell, North Wales (lifts may be available). Attendees will be invited to give an anonymous donation (suggested £100). For further

information contact Siobhan Cartwright (Tel: 0161 477 2783 / mobile 07761 138947) or email siobhanbc@gmail.com.

WALSINGHAM:

If anyone is interested in joining the Walsingham Pilgrimage on **Monday 29th April 2019**, please can you let Carol (office) St Columba's or Gerry Templeton at St Theresas's have your deposits of £20. Many thanks.

AUTUMN FAYRE BOTTLE TOMBOLA

It's getting to that time of year again. If you have any bottles you would like to donate please leave them in the rear porch of either Church, marked TOMBOLA. Thank you in advance.

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

Hall availability can be checked by looking at St Columba's Church website – section for Church Hall gives a calendar of events. Then contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com to arrange booking.

In the event of an EMERGENCY only contact Carol Galvin in the Church Office – Mon – Fri 10am – noon 01244 624019

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.

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