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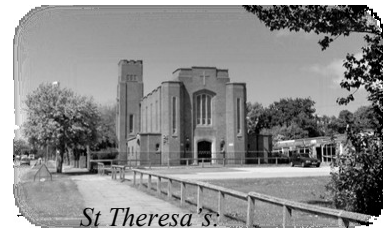
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## 30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 28<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018

### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October

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

### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Nicholas Lancaster RIP  
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October – *The Douai Martyrs*

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Brian Hall  
1.30 p.m. **Funeral Service for  
Kathy Dempsey**

### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Maura Rooney RIP  
St. Theresa's 6.30 p.m. Private Intention

### Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Paula Burke  
St. Theresa's 7.00 p.m. **Vigil Mass, All Saints**  
Priest's Intention

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – *All Saints*

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Special Intention  
7.00 p.m.  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions  
7.00 p.m. November Dead List

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – *Comm. of the Faithful Depart.*

St. Theresa's 8.00-8.55 am Expos. of the Blessed  
Sacrament  
9.00 a.m. Holy Father's Intentions  
7.00 p.m. All Faithful Departed  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. November Dead List  
12 noon All Faithful Departed  
7.00 p.m. Holy Father's Intention

### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – *St Winefride, V*

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

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Graham George RIP  
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

### WELCOME:

This week we welcome Fr Tony Grace, Diocesan Director, of the Association for the Propagation of The Faith. (APF). This is part of the Mission Network. Fr Tony Grace will Celebrate ALL the Parish masses and speak about the work of the APF. Fr Tony is also Parish Priest of St Gabriel's in Alsager. Fr Jonathan will be celebrating the Masses there, so that Fr Tony can join us here.

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: 27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2018:

There will be a retiring collection for World Mission Sunday this week-end. Unfortunately this should have been held last week-end.

### MORNING PRAYER: (St Columba's):

Until further notice Morning Prayer will take place before the Blessed Sacrament, in Church at 9.00 am 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 6.00 pm and 6.25 pm 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 07743 704383

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

[mike.max28@gmail.com](mailto:mike.max28@gmail.com)

### LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for Kathy Dempsey **who died recently**. May the Lord grant her Eternal Life and console her family and friends. Kathy's funeral will be held at St Columba's Church on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October** at 1.30 p.m.

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

Pauline Augustus, Mary Keating, Margaret Murphy, John Kirby Garner, Maureen McKenna, Sheila Maureen Austin, Margaret Shilson, Philip Randles, David Griffiths, William Arthur (Bill) Roberts, Cecilia Marion Gannicott, James Paschall McNicholas, John Phillips, Kirsty Helen Morgan (Baby), William John O'Gorman, Mabel Theresa Foody, Mary Keating, Margaret Winder, Mary Helen Francis, Derek Fay, Nicholas Philip Lancaster, Eileen Ogden.

### NOVEMBER DEAD LIST:

During November, we are invited to pray especially for the Faithful Departed in our Parish. A November Dead List will be placed before the Altar during the month of November. Please put names of deceased and a donation in the Holy Souls envelopes (available in both porches) and either return to Carol Galvin, or place in the basket on the altar or in the Offertory basket at St Theresa's

### CONFIRMATION GROUP SPONSORED WALK:

Thank you very much to all the Confirmation candidates, catechists, family and friends who walked in aid of Mary's Meals this Saturday. Well done

## OFFERTORY:

**St. Columba's:** Loose Plate £439.11 Planned Giving £340.08 Average Weekly Standing Orders £735.00.00; Candles£43.50.  
**St. Theresa's:** £244.76 Average weekly standing orders £80.  
Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

## SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

### St. Columba's:

28<sup>th</sup> Oct Sue Flynn Chifundo UK  
4<sup>th</sup> Nov Sue Carr Third World  
11<sup>th</sup> Nov CWL CWL

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Hall after Mass.

All are very welcome.

### St. Theresa's:

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

## COFFEE MORNING ST. COLUMBA'S 4<sup>th</sup> NOV:

This will be for our Third World Projects. Any donations of cakes would be much appreciated. Traidcraft will have a stall, with a range of crafts, food, cards etc. There will be catalogues available if you would like to place orders while having coffee. Traidcraft needs a good sales rate this Christmas to survive into 2019.

## UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Upton Drive, Pine Gardens and Bache Avenue, Woodside Road, Oakfield Road, Highfield Road and Foxcote Close.
- For the British Legion, Golf Club and Village Hall Committee, and all who use their facilities. For those who have served their country.

## HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular "First Thursday" Mass will be celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> November 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. WERBURGH'S GREAT WAR PLAQUE:

The original Memorial in St. Werburgh's Church disappeared in the 1970s. The Parish Great War Group has commissioned a new Plaque which includes a much fuller and more accurate list of names. Bishop Mark is coming to Bless and Dedicate the Plaque at St. Werburgh's at 7.00 p.m. on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November**. All local parishioners and friends will be welcome.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:

Mass at St Theresa's on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November** will be at **10.00a.m.** not 9.30a.m. as usual. This is because there will be a short Remembrance Service after Mass.

## REMEMBRANCE SERVICE:

There will be a joint Remembrance Service in commemoration of the centenary of the Armistice at the war memorial in Blacon cemetery, as well as the service in St Theresa's.

## ACTA SHREWSBURY, GATHERING IN CHESTER:

You are warmly invited to this ACTA (A Call to Action) event on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November**, 11am -3pm in St. Columba's Hall. This will be an excellent opportunity to find out more about ACTA, to meet others who want to promote dialogue in the Church, and to help take ACTA forward in the Shrewsbury diocese. The main speaker will be David McLoughlin,

Emeritus Fellow in Christian Theology, Newman University. He will present the work of Bishop Fritz Lobinger about ordaining community leaders. Registration is from 10.30am. No charge (donations welcome on the day). Tea/coffee provided. Bring a packed Lunch. If planning to attend, to help on numbers, please contact: Dave Thomas [davevanthomas@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:davevanthomas@yahoo.co.uk) Further details on the ACTA website: [www.acalltoaction.org.uk](http://www.acalltoaction.org.uk)

## SVP:

The SVP will be holding a retiring collection after all Masses next weekend, 3rd and 4th November.

## WALSINGHAM 2019 – DEPOSITS:

If you wish to join the Pilgrimage to Walsingham next year, please can you let Carol (St Columba's office) or Gerry Templeton have your deposits of £20.00.

## CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES:

Posters and further information for the 2018-2019 CCRS Programme can be found on the notice boards in both porches. Originally aimed at teachers, this course is now open to all to explore our faith more deeply. Some modules may be particularly useful for catechists or those who have recently been received into the church.

## CURRENT VACANCIES:

- Caritas Shrewsbury currently have 2 vacancies: Family Support Social Worker and Refugee Project Worker. Both positions are part-time, and a great opportunity for the right person. For further details and an Application Pack, please contact us: [www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk](http://www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk) ('Job Vacancies' can be found under the 'News' Section) / Tel: 0151 652 1281 / [info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk](mailto:info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk)  
**Closing date 8<sup>th</sup> November.**
- St. Theresa's Primary School wish to appoint a full-time Site Maintenance Officer. Further details are on the noticeboards, or contact the school office on 01244 981070. **Closing date 6<sup>th</sup> November.**

## FAMILY FUN – BEETLE DRIVE:

Beetle Drive at St. Theresa's Social Club on **Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.00 p.m.** £1.00 entry. The bar will be open, all very welcome.

## 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](mailto: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 in the Hall. Then contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email [columbashallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:columbashallbookings@gmail.com) to arrange booking.

## NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

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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](http://www.stcolumbachester.org.uk)

### **OUR MISSION TOGETHER:**

Thank you for your ongoing support of Our Mission Together. Your generosity is giving us ways and means through which to support and foster the mission of our Church here in St. Columba's and St. Theresa's. At St Theresa's funds have been used for the refurbishment of the Church. We look forward to keeping you updated as our project develops. Please continue to support Our Mission Together and to pray for our clergy, our parishioners and those in need around us.

### **LOOKING AT THE READINGS FOR ADVENT:**

The first in this series of talks will be held on Tuesday 20th November at 7.30 p.m. in the Iona Chapel when we'll be looking at Mark's Gospel in context. For more information see the poster on the Notice Boards or contact David Savage on 380626.

### **AUTUMN FAYRE: BOTTLE TOMBOLA PLEA:**

The **Autumn Fayre** is on the **25<sup>th</sup> November**. If you have any spare bottles you would like to donate to the Tombola, please leave them in the rear porch of either Church, marked **TOMBOLA**. Thank you in advance.

### **CHIFUNDO UK:**

There is a Christmas Craft Fair being held at Hoole United Reformed Church, Hoole Road, Chester on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November** 10.30 a.m. – 3.30 p.m. All are welcome. Please see noticeboards for further information.

### **ST THERESA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

#### **OFSTED VISIT:**

St Theresa's School was recently visited by Ms Gill Pritchard, HMI who conducted a Section 8 OFSTED Inspection. We are delighted to share the news that our school continues to be graded as 'Good'. Ms Pritchard particularly noted the Christian ethos which 'strengthens relationships between staff, pupils and between pupils themselves,' in the report among many other positive comments. The full report is available on the school website and the OFSTED website.

#### **CLEANING:**

We are very short of cleaners at St Theresa's. If anyone is willing to clean with a few others once a month, please contact Maureen Maxwell on 01244 881425. Thank you.