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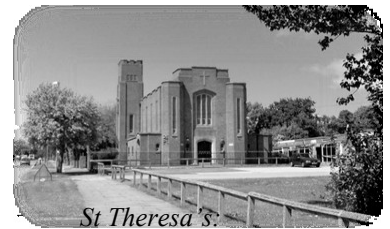
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31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4th NOVEMBER 2018

Saturday 3rd November

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

Sunday 4th November

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

Monday 5th November

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. P.I. (S.T.R.)

Tuesday 6th November

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. November Dead List
St. Theresa's NB 9.00 a.m. Private Intention

Wednesday 7th November – St Willibrord, B

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Kathy Dempsey
St. Theresa's 7.00 p.m. Graham George

Thursday 8th November

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Special Intention
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Stan Taylor Ann.

Friday 9th November – Ded.of Lateran Basilica of The Most Holy Redeemer

St. Theresa's 8.00-8.55 am Expos. of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00 a.m. Priest's Intention
St. Columba's 7.00 p.m. November Dead List

Saturday 10th November – St Leo The Great Pp,D

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Holy Souls
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish

Sunday 11th November

St. Theresa's NB 10.00 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Victims of War

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 6.00p.m. and 6.25p.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, email mike.max28@gmail.com

A warm parish welcome to the Toop family and friends as they celebrate the Baptism of Ewan Hart Thomas this Sunday. We wish them a wonderful family celebration. Please pray for them today.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £322.30, Planned Giving £300.85; Average Weekly Standing Orders £677.00; Candles £32.96; Donation £53.10 (High School PTA Coffee Morning)).

St. Theresa's: £229.57 plus average weekly standing orders £80. World Mission Sunday £90.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY - ST THERESA'S:

Thank very much to everyone who contributed to the appeal. A total of £179 was raised.

MISSION APPEAL - THANK YOU!

Thank you very much for your contributions to last week's World Mission Sunday collection. Your prayers and donations will help missionaries across the world share the Gospel of hope with those in greatest need. To continue supporting mission throughout the year, please go to missio.org.uk or call 020 7821 9755.

Prayers and best wishes, Fr Tony Grace, St. Gabriel's.

ST COLUMBA'S AND ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

William Frederick McGarty, Joyce Annie Rose, Graham James George, Wilfred Joes, Elsie Fox, Robert Joseph Robinson, William George Bird, Joseph Tansey, John Phillips, Kirsty Helen Morgan (Baby), William John O'Gorman, Mabel Theresa Foody, Arnold Whittaker, Margaret (Peggy) Mary Walker, Michael Joseph Wolfe, Paul Harrison, Marie Teresa Sheridan, Marie Margaret Bennett, Therese Stecszyn, Joseph Patrick Barlow, Stephen Augustine Pendlebury, Anthony Francis Devine, Gregory Morns, Margaret Mary Norbury, Sheila Maureen Austin, Cecilia Margaret Redmond

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

SVP:

There will be a recruitment appeal and retiring collection at all Services across the Parish this weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Bowyer's Close, Ashfield Crescent, Glenside Close, Longdale Drive Bache Drive, Dulas Court, Birch Rise, Long Lane and Mallard Court.
- For the ACF, Friendship Group, MOT Group and Catholic Women's League.
- For all catering staff and those who make refreshments after the services.

CHURCHES TOGETHER FRIENDSHIP LUNCH:

Thank you all who came and enjoyed Hotpot on October 25th. An amazing £180 was raised for CAFOD. Thank you to friends and family for donations of apples for the Crumble.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:**St. Columba's:**

4th Nov Sue Carr Third World
11th 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 4th NOV:

This will be for our Third World Projects. 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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 7th November** at 7.00p.m. in St Columba's.

ST. PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on **Thursday 8th November**, starting at 7.30 p.m. at 10 Totland Grove, Newton, Chester CH2 2EY.

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 6th November**. All local parishioners and friends will be welcome.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:

Mass at St Theresa's on **Sunday 11th 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 10th 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 Further details on the ACTA website: www.acalltoaction.org.uk

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 Luke's Gospel in context (and not Mark's Gospel as I mistakenly told you last week). For more information see posters or contact David Savage on 380626.

CLERGY EDUCATION & TRAINING FUND:

There will be a retiring collection for this fund at all Masses week-ending 18th November. If you are using an envelope these can be put in the Offertory collection or given to the Collectors as you leave Mass. If you are not using an envelope please make your donation as you leave Mass.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' ROTA:

The new rotas for St Theresa's are now available in the sacristy.

LOOP SYSTEM, ST. THERESA'S:

This has been attended to this week. Please let us know if it's now satisfactory.

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.

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 in the Hall. Then contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com to arrange booking.

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Eileen Irwin
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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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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 ('Job Vacancies' can be found under the 'News' Section) / Tel: 0151 652 1281 / info@caritasshrewsbury.org.uk
Closing date 8th 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 6th November.**
- The Diocese is seeking to employ a **Diocesan Mission Catechist** to assist with the organisation and provision of the formation of those working in all areas of parish and adult catechesis throughout the Diocese. This is a permanent contract based at the Curial Office although a part time job share would be considered. For application form and full job description please see www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies
Closing date 21 November 2018.

FOODBANK NEWS:

West Cheshire Foodbank have provided a recent update: "Between January and June we gave out 2,012 emergency food parcels supporting 4,185 people - **an increase of 16% compared to the same period in 2017**. The top three reasons for referral (low income, benefit delays and benefit changes) have remained consistent, although the number people referred for benefit delays has increased disproportionately, reflecting the current issues facing many due to Universal Credit." Please support the Foodbank collections if you can. All non-perishable food welcome but items especially needed at the moment are UHT juice, tinned fish, biscuits, instant custard, instant mash and toiletries.

AUTUMN FAYRE: BOTTLE TOMBOLA PLEA:

The **Autumn Fayre** is on the **25th 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.