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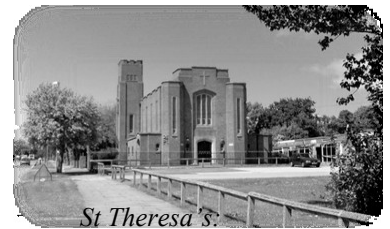
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- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20th JANUARY 2019

Saturday 19th January

St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. John & Pat Black - Vigil

Sunday 20th January

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Bridget Williams RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

Monday 21st January – St Agnes, M

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Anthony Comerford RIP

Tuesday 22nd January – St Vincent, Dc, M

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Lily Jones

Wednesday 23rd January

St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Frances Wilkinson RIP

Thursday 24th January – St Francis de Sales, B, D

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. O'Donovan Family

Friday 25th January – Conversion of St Paul, Ap

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions
St. Columba's 7.00 p.m. Ann Daley RIP

Saturday 26th January – Ss Timothy & Titus, B

St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. NO MASS
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish

Sunday 27th January

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Mary Burke RIP
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Bill Baker - Thanksgiving Mass

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 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

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose Plate £469.01; Planned Giving £302.88
Av Weekly Standing Orders £677.00; Candles £45.04; Crib £93.02.

St. Theresa's: £212.69 plus Av Weekly Standing Orders of £80.
Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

LATELY DEAD:

Please pray for Deacon David Morris, Gavin Jones, Genevieve Jones and David Whitby who died recently. May the Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their family and friends.

David's Requiem Mass will be held on **Thursday 31st January** at St. Columba's Church at 9.30 a.m.

Genevieve's Funeral Service will be held at St. Columba's Church on **Friday 1st February** at 2.00 p.m.

ST COLUMBA'S & ST THERESA'S ANNIVERSARIES:

Jason Monet, Siobhan McKenna, Raymond James Storton, Nora Margaret Connolly, David Noel Beckett, Mary (Molly) Tallon, Monica Tweedle, Olivia Trotter, Tony Comerford, Richard Monet, John Mahoney, Robert Stephen Macdonald, Vicky Smith, Reginald Paul Harrison, Ann-Marie Loughlin, Gladys Lilian Shanley, Mary (Mollie) Callow, Robert Charles Gore, Julia Jones, Eric Samuel Rogers, Denis Ivers, Adrienne Veronica Coles, Margaret Parry, Kathleen Mary Wynne, William McGeever, Bridget Smith, Joseph Franciyer Jaworgyn, Neil Peter Kenyon and Miriam Brownbill.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting is on **Monday 21st January** in St Theresa's Parish Centre at 7pm.

FIRST FORGIVENESS:

On **Saturday 26th January** 30 children from St. Columba's parish will receive the Sacrament of First Forgiveness in a special service of celebration at 10.00 a.m. Please pray for the children and their families at this special time in their faith journeys.

SVP COLLECTION:

The SVP will be collecting socks, underwear (male and female) and toiletries (particularly disposable razors) to help people supported by Chester Aid to the Homeless during January. Please feel free to "re-gift" any unwanted presents or donate any new items. There will be collection boxes in the porch. Many thanks for your generosity.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

St. Columba's:

20 th Jan	Sue Carr	OAKS
27 th Jan	21 st Scout Group	Themselves
3 rd Feb	Chris & Liz Nichols	Tombola
10 th Feb	CWL	The Parish

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Hall after Mass. All are welcome. The 2019 Coffee/tea rota is on the notice board if you would like to make tea/coffee for a Charity please contact Marg Curtis 318424.

St. Theresa's:

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Parish Club after 10.00 a.m. Mass. All are very welcome

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Cyman Close, Willan Road, Wemyss Road, Phillips Road, Shocklach Road, Horrocks Road and Bolesworth Road.
- For the choirs and music groups.
- For uniting all who play and sing from our churches.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE & JUBILARIAN'S MASS – 9 FEBRUARY

Bishop Mark will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage at 12 noon in St Columba's Church on **Saturday 9th February 2019**. All married couples and their families are welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary (25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th) and wish to attend the Mass, please let your Parish Priest know (by the 27th January) and you will receive a special letter of invitation.

RED BOXES (St Theresa's):

There are still some boxes to be collected from the back of church, please take yours. Thank you.

HEATING (St Theresa's):

Apologies for the cold church last Sunday, we attempted to set the heating clock to come on an hour before Mass started, but as you are aware it didn't work. We have had another go to set the clock on the heating for this Sunday so hopefully by the time you read this the church will be nice and warm.

200 CLUB (St Theresa's):

The new envelopes are available at the back of church as are forms for anyone wishing to join.

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal **this weekend 20th January** at St Theresa's. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades.

Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and their mothers, and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country by decriminalisation.

THANK YOU:

Thank You to all concerned for making the Catenian Fish and Chip Supper a great success with 115 attending and funds raised from the raffle will go to the Parish Parenting Group.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL (CHS):

Parents Association: -

The CHS Parents' Association invite you to a Family Bingo Night on **Friday, 25th of January** 7 pm at the Catholic High School. A bar will be open. Adults and children welcome. Thank you in advance for your support.

John Murray to retire: -

We have just received the news that John Murray will be retiring as Headteacher of the CHS at the end of this academic year. He has been Head since September 2004, in this time working with great dedication to lead the school through some very significant stages - including conversion to Academy status, the development of the Emmaus Building and a number of OFSTED and Diocesan inspections.

Jane Johnson, Chair of Governors, reassures parents that the governors and trustees will work with the Diocese to start the process of appointing a successor, advertising the post as soon as possible.

There will be many opportunities for us to offer our thanks for John's tireless service, and to offer best wishes for a long, happy – and no doubt active – retirement.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:

This takes place from **Friday 18th – Friday 25th January**. There are several joint church services arranged to celebrate this week. There is a church Unity service this Saturday, 19th Jan at URC Blacon at 10.30am. and there is a service at Upton URC on Sunday 20th Jan at 4.30pm. From Mon, 21st Jan to Fri, 25th Jan at 2.30pm. there are short Unity meetings, with readings and reflections, at Upton URC. Please come and join us at any of these services. You will be made most welcome.

MISSION SECRETARY VACANCY:

A vacancy for a Mission Secretary reporting to the Episcopal Vicar has arisen within the Curial Offices in Birkenhead. Salary £18,000 – £20,000 (term time only) dependent on experience and qualifications. 35 hours per week with occasional evening and weekend duties. More information at: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies Interested parties should send their CV to Pauline McCulloch: Pauline.McCulloch@dioceseofshrewsbury.org by **Friday 1st February 2019**.

SOLEMN PROFESSION INVITATION:

The Carmelite Monastery of The Annunciation at Birkenhead invites you to The Solemn Profession of Sister Maria Graziella of Jesus Crucified, ICD on **Monday March 25th** at 11.00am. Celebrant: The Right Reverend Mark Davies, Bishop of Shrewsbury. All are warmly welcome to join with the community in thanking Almighty God, for this grace-filled day Refreshments will be available after the Ceremony

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 Muriel Green.

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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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