

# Catholic Churches of St Columba and St Theresa



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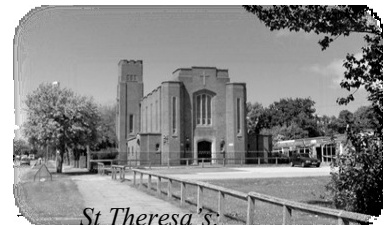
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- ❖ Chester Hospitals' Chaplaincy: Tel: 01244 364543, answer phone available.
- ❖ Parish Safeguarding Representative: Claire Graham. Tel 01244 341287 or 0788 055 3830.

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2019

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Priest's Intention  
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. Gladys Shanley - Vigil

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Mae Dunne's Intentions  
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Private Intention  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Rosemary Jones

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February – *St Agatha, M*

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Patricia Duggan  
St Theresa's 6.30 p.m. Priest's Intention

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February – *St Paul Miki & Compan.*

St Theresa's 7.00 p.m. The Mackie Family  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Anthony Patino-Pan RIP

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February

St Theresa's 9.00 a.m. Private Intention  
St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Margery Strong

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February

St Theresa's 8.00-8.55am Expos. of the Blessed Sacrament  
9.00 a.m. Joan & Charles Woods RIP  
St. Columba's 7.00 p.m. Priest's Intention

### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February

St Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Parishioners Intentions  
St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February

St Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Sean McCabe  
St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Hughie & Maureen Middleton

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

### OFFERTORY:

**St Columba's:** Loose Plate £399.98; Planned Giving £336.20 Av Weekly Standing Orders £677.00; Candles £63.48

**St. Theresa's:** £302.36 plus Av Weekly Standing Orders of £80. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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

Bigview Tadeusz Roszvwowski, Frank Burton, Alice Edna Bellis, Margaret Price, Christopher John Bryan, Michael Allen, Kathleen Bernadette McGoldrick, Sr. Andrea O'Malley, Joan Davies, Brian Dunn, Ernest Kendal, Ann Mary Hughes, Robert Shelton, Kathleen Stone, William Thompson, William Victor (Vic) Fry, James Frances Blythin, John James (Sean) McCabe, Alexander James Keegan, Margaret Dunne, Constance Merian Kenyon, Joan Davies, John Gregory Doyle, Caroline Agnes Rodhan, Mary Beryl Riley, John Potter, Marion Gresty.

### FIRST FORGIVENESS CERTIFICATES:

The children will receive their certificates this Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at the 11.00 a.m. Mass.

### SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE:

3rd Feb	Chris & Liz	Tombola
10th Feb	CWL	Parish
17th Feb	Sue Bownas	Fair Trade
24th Feb	SVP	SVP

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

All are welcome. The 2019 tea/coffee rota is on the notice board if you would like to make tea/coffee for a Charity of your choice 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.

### RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND – 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> February:

You are reminded that there will be a retiring collection this weekend in relation to the Priests' Retirement Fund. Envelopes and leaflets can also be found in both porches. Your continued support is most appreciated. Thank you.

Many parishioners are content with donating loose in the basket but for those who Gift Aid their donations there are envelopes available at the back of church. By completing their envelope with number/name/church we are able to obtain the HMRC tax element which increases the donation by 25%.

### HOSPITAL MASS:

The regular 'First Thursday' Mass will be celebrated on **7 February 2019** at 12.15 p.m. 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.

## UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Whitton Drive, Sutton Drive, Bidston Close and Greenfield Lane, Venable's Road, St Chad's Road, Church Hall Close and Cedar Mews.
- For Sunshine Tots, Praise & Play and for all the leaders.
- For young families.

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIED LIFE & JUBILARIANS' MASS— 9 FEBRUARY

Bishop Mark will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Mass to Celebrate Marriage at 12 noon in St Columba's Church, Plas Newton, Chester, CH2 1SA on **Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. All married couples and their families are welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall.

## ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

Six altar servers are needed for this service on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Could any available and willing servers (from St Columba's and St Theresa's) contact Richard Curtis on 07787782255

## READINGS FOR THE SUNDAYS OF LENT:

A series of talks on the readings for the Sundays of Lent commences on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30 p.m. in the Iona Chapel. There are more details on the Notice Boards.

## GIFT AID OF OFFERTORY DONATIONS:

If anyone is no longer able to claim Gift Aid because you no longer pay tax please contact:-

St Theresa's: John Steele 01244 552129

St Columba's: Jan Roberts 07952 463146

and your name will be removed from the Gift Aid list.

## HOLY COMMUNION (St Theresa's):

If there is anyone at St Theresa's who would like Holy Communion brought to them at Mass please sit in the front bench (on the right hand side) if possible, then the priest will know to bring you Communion.

## THE ORDER OF THE MASS (St Theresa's):

There are now large print Mass cards available if needed at the back of church.

## READERS' ROTA (St Theresa's)

The new rota is available in the sacristy.

## HEATING (St Theresa's):

The heating engineer was here during the week and found out that only one boiler out of the three was working. The heater at the back of church has been sent off to be repaired. Hopefully you should all be feeling a lot warmer this week.

## THANK YOU:

Bill Baker would like to thank Fr Jonathan for celebrating Mass last Sunday in thanksgiving for the fifty years he led St Columba's Choir. He also thanks all the parishioners of St Theresa's and St Columba's for the beautiful picture of St Columba's, inscribed in silver "Thank you for the music", so that it includes not only music in church but the music we made in St Columba's Hall in presenting the fun-filled pantomimes and musical shows.

## NEW ALTAR WINE:

Some of you may have noticed that the wine used for the celebration of the Eucharist has changed. It is called Poterion Fair Trade Communion Wine. As the name suggest the Altar Wine is Fair Trade certified, from organic grown grapes and ethically produced. It is also suitable for Vegans and does not contain sulphites. This wine of course also confirms to the requirements of Canon Law that the wine used for the celebration of the

Eucharist, must be "natural, made from the grapes of the vine, and not corrupt". Some of you may be surprised that the wine is white and not red, but the Church has never required that the Altar Wine should be red.

## DAY OF REFLECTION:

A prayerful reflection on "**The Humanity of Christ**" is the theme for the next Day of Reflection for 'ACTS' ('Adult Catholics Together Spiritually') being held on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February**. Fr Michael Coughlan will lead the day which starts at 9.30am and finishes around 4.30pm. The venue is Sacred Heart and St Peter church, Southmoor Rd, Baguley, South Manchester M23 1HP. Payment by anonymous donation (suggested cost £10). Please contact Siobhan Cartwright for further details ([siobhanbc@gmail.com](mailto:siobhanbc@gmail.com) / tel: 0161 477 2783 / 07761138947). The venue is near Wythenshawe Hospital and Manchester airport, both accessible by public transport.

## WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE:

It is now time to pay our final deposits for the pilgrimage to Walsingham in April. The Tariffs are as follows:- Single Room: - £185.00 and Ensuite Rooms - £228.00. Please will you hand in your cheque/s as soon as possible to the respective Parish Offices. Many thanks. Cheques should be made payable to St. Columba's Church.

## YOUTH GROUP FOR 10 – 14 YEAR OLDS:

The next meeting of the youth group will be on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February**, starting at 7.15pm in the Iona Chapel and finishing at 9pm promptly in the hall. We will have activities, games, refreshments and prayers, a chance to learn a bit more about our faith, have fun, meet friends and make new friends. For more information speak to Father Jonathan, Amy O'Donnell or Denise Lusk.

## SVP MUSIC NIGHT WITH CHS CITY JAZZ:

This year's SVP music night will take place in St Columba's Hall **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February** at 7:30pm and is in aid of the SVP holiday home. The holiday home provides accommodation for families who otherwise would not be able to have a holiday. If you would like a ticket for this event they are £10 each and are available from Mark Traynor 07752 317772.

## ST WERBURGH'S AND ST COLUMBA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Please help and support our local Catholic school, we have been selected as one of Waitrose's local charities for their community matters scheme for February, please vote **while shopping with your green token** this means we can win a share of £1000 for our school.

## CARMELITE MONASTERY, BIRKENHEAD:

Mother Prioress and the Sisters of Carmel have sent us a quantity of booklets which they published last year to commemorate the Centenary of the founding of the Birkenhead Carmel on 23 July 1918. The booklets, which are very colourful, can be found on the table in the rear porch of St Columba's. They tell the story of the foundation, the history of the Carmelites and what their life of contemplation means. The present Mother Prioress was a parishioner of St Columba's in her youth, and our parish forms part of the sisters' prayer intentions. The booklets are a free gift from the Sisters. If they are all taken, further supplies can be obtained. Please telephone Bill Baker 01244 376701.

## ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN/CASEWORK:

This position requiring 13-18 hours a week, subject to negotiation, is to support the work of the Lead Agricultural Chaplain in providing pastoral care for the agricultural community in Cheshire and surrounding areas. It is hoped for an early appointment. Payment will be at the rate of £12.50 per hour. The post is for an initial period of two years, with the

possibility of further extension, subject to continuing funding. Completed applications are required for 5<sup>th</sup> March. It is hoped to interview on 15<sup>th</sup> March. For full details of this post and an application form, either printed or electronic, please contact Andrew Taylor on 01270 780529 or by e-mail at: [ceo.ctic@gmail.com](mailto:ceo.ctic@gmail.com)

**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 25<sup>th</sup>** 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](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:**

This will be compiled by Rebecca Vaughan  
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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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