



Catholic Churches of St Columba and St Theresa



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

9th JUNE 2019

Saturday 8th June

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. Parishioners' Intentions

St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. Brian Gibson - **Vigil**

Sunday 9th June - Pentecost

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. Private Intention (GB)

St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. The Parish

Monday 10th June - Mary, Mother of the Church

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. **NO MASS**

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Ann Rooney

Tuesday 11th June - St Barnabas, Ap, M

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. **NO MASS**

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Jonathan Brandon (A)

Wednesday 12th June

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Beryl Quinn

St. Theresa's 7.00 p.m. **NO MASS**

Thursday 13th June - Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal

High Priest

St. Columba's 9.15 a.m. Winefride Park

St. Theresa's 7.00 p.m. **NO MASS**

Friday 14th June

St. Theresa's 9.00 a.m. **NO MASS**

St. Columba's 7.00 p.m. Mary Kiernan RIP

Saturday 15th June - BVM on Saturday

St. Theresa's 10.00 a.m. **NO MASS**

St. Columba's 6.30 p.m. The Parish - Vigil

Sunday 16th June - The Most Holy Trinity

St. Theresa's 9.30 a.m. George Becker RI

St. Columba's 11.00 a.m. Samantha Fisher (Int.)

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.

BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

There is a United Service today, **Sunday 9th June** at 3pm at Holy Trinity Church. Blacon. All welcome.

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

ANNIVERSARIES:

Catherine Lavelle, David Morgan, John Anthony Walmsley, Harry Underwood, John Cunningham, Mary Austin, Roy Anthony Duckers, Maureen Jamieson, Cyril Wilkes, Monica (Mary) Callow, Brian Harrison, Eileen Agnes Lunt, Doris Scott, Mary McGonagle, James Whitcombe, Mary Elizabeth Green, Michael Mitchell, Edward Rogers, Thomas McGreavy, Mary O'Loughlin, Bernard McNicholas, Matthew Baker, Charles Francis Evans, Thomas Owain Christopher Arnold, Christopher Johnson, Winifred Roche, Maureen Mair, Percy John Tobin, Dieta Fairclough, George Shaw, Clare Walker, Jacqueline Ann Macdonald, Mary Walker, Patrick Green, Michael Reilly, Kerry Patricia O'Reilly, Michael Paul Marianus Farrugia, Theresa Maria Walmsley, Mary Kerr, Frank Tobin (Snr), Lilian Eileen Westley, Teresa McKeane, Malcolm Patrick Phelan, Min Gannon, Dorothy Barlow, Patrick Murphy, Albert Hodgkinson, Rose Elizabeth Ellis, John Fondacaro, Sheila Scanlon, Freda Kate Marshall.

OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's: Loose Plate £450.90; Planned Giving £365.42; Average weekly standing orders £677.00; Candles £51.60.

St. Theresa's: £332.17 plus average weekly standing orders £80. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

ST THERESA'S SUMMER FAYRE:

This is being held in St Theresa's club, after the 9.30a.m. Mass on **Sunday 7th July**. There will be various stalls, so if you have any items please bring them in and leave them in the sacristy (anything except clothes). Also, we will be asking for cakes to be brought in on the day. Many thanks.

YOUTH GROUP (10 - 14 years)

The next meeting of the youth group will be this **Monday 10th June**, starting at 7.15pm in the Iona Chapel and finishing at 9pm in the church hall. We will have activities, games and prayers, a chance to learn a little 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.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP:

The next meeting is on **Thursday 13th June** in 10 Totland Grove, Newton, Chester CH2 2EY, starting at 7.30 p.m.

CLIMATE CHANGE:

The Climate Coalition of 120 organisations including CAFOD is organising a mass lobby of Parliament on Wednesday 26 June. As people of faith we'll be gathering at Westminster to connect the poor to the powerful by sharing our concerns on climate change and the environment with leaders who can make a difference. Politicians will only increase their ambition if they see that we care. They will act if their constituents tell them that they want change. CAFOD is running a pilgrimage coach from St Clare's on the day for £25 return. Alternatively, some of us are going on the 8.55am train. E-mail <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby> to find out more or to sign up.

CLIMATE CHANGE NET ZERO PETITION:

Parliament and Cheshire West and Chester Council have declared a Climate Emergency in response to the evidence that the carbon emissions from human activity are causing climate change. The UK has led the world in both the production of carbon through the industrial revolution and its commitment to reduce carbon emissions in the 2008 Climate Change Act. You are invited to sign a petition to the Prime Minister asking the Government to go further and support a net zero greenhouse gas emissions reduction target by the year 2045 in line with the UN Special Report on climate change. This will give an example to the rest of the world and help limit the worst effects of climate change. Petitions are available to sign at the back of church.

CHESTER HOSPITALS RC CHAPLAINCY - URGENT:

This is to highlight the importance of the contribution made by the team of RC lay volunteers to chaplaincy work at the hospitals. There are 21 volunteers, of whom 18 are currently active, serving at one or more of three weekly sessions as often as they are able. Two sessions are on Sunday and Thursday mornings at the Countess in Chester, the other one at the Countess's Ellesmere Port site on Friday afternoons. The work involves assisting the RC Chaplain in ministering to patients with Holy Communion and general pastoral support. Sessions are for about 1½ hours. Volunteers are formally appointed by the Countess Hospital Trust with training arranged by the RC chaplaincy. There is an urgent need for additional volunteers, particularly for the Sunday sessions, to enable preparation of rotas which avoid the need to commit time every week.

You can volunteer for one or more sessions in a month, Thursdays, Fridays, or Sundays. Help to give Christ in the Eucharist to our sick brothers and sisters.

If you can help with this essential work, or would like more details, please contact the **RC Chaplain Fr. Jude Nwachukwu on 07440 314905 or Deacon Lawrence: 07960 517463.**

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE: (St. Columba's)

9 th June	Pentecost & St Columba's Anniversary BBQ	
16 th June	CWL	CWL
23 rd June	Margy & Jacque	Friendship Lunch
30 th June	The Rippon Family	Parish

Tea, coffee and juice are available in the Hall after Mass. All are welcome. The 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 9.30 Mass. All are very welcome.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES DATES:

Sunday 9th June- Pentecost & St Columba's Anniversary
International Service at St Columba's with a variety of foods after the 11 o'clock Mass, including the annual BBQ which will be free this year.

Sunday 7th July – St Theresa's Summer Fayre
Friday 26th July - Annual Coach Trip –this year we are going to Nottingham, price £14pp. The lists for names are in the front porch of both Churches

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE CIO:

An Afternoon Tea will be held on **Monday 10th June** at St Theresa's Church garden from 2-4 pm. Tickets £3. All are welcome.

UPTON & BLACON CHURCHES TOGETHER:

This week we pray for:

- The residents of Cambridge Road, Devon Road, Yerburch Street, Hereford Place, Worcester Place, Ludlow Road and Mayfield Road.
- For our local Councillors and the work they do. For our Parish Council and those involved with the Arradon twinning.

CONFIRMATION THIS YEAR:

This year's Chester-wide Confirmation will be at St Clare's on **Tuesday 19th November** at 7.00 pm. The programme is organised jointly by St Clare's and St Werburgh's, and candidates are welcome from any Chester Parish. Classes will be on Tuesday Evenings at St Werburgh's, beginning 10th September. Launch Meeting on Tuesday 9th July. Please take a flyer from the back of church with full details and send names in to either St Werburgh's or St Clare's. Minimum age-in High School now. No max. age!

RETIRING COLLECTION:

There will be a retiring collection for World Communications Day – at both Masses 8th/9th June – this should have taken place last week-end. Many thanks for your generosity.

There will be a retiring collection at both week-end Masses 15th/16th June for Day for Life.

PAUSE FOR HOPE SERVICES – ST COLUMBA'S:

The Diocese are holding the ecumenical Pause for Hope Services here at St Columba's on **Sunday 16th June** at 3.00 p.m. This is in aid of all who are affected in any way by cancer. All are very welcome to attend. There will be a Speaker (Lynne Moorhead) from the Hospice of the Good Shepherd.

ST WERBURGH'S AND ST COLUMBA'S SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR:

It is on **Friday 14th June** from 5-7.30pm and is being held at the school. There will be all the old favourites on the school field including inflatables, raffle, bottle tombola, hook a duck, an ice cream van and bar. There will also be some special superhero appearances!

SVP THEATRE NIGHT – OUTSIDE EDGE:

Richard Harris's cricketing comedy at the Gladstone Theatre Port Sunlight on **Wednesday 12th June** at 7.30p.m. Tickets at £8 will be on sale from Sue McCarthy or Mark Traynor 07515 491251. Proceeds to SVP District Holiday Home in Talacre.

HOME HELP REQUIRED:

A parishioner of St Columba's is very poorly and needs help for a couple of days a week for a couple of hours until she gets a bit stronger. She also goes to St Theresa and is well known at both churches. She is vulnerable and would feel more comfortable with someone who has a church connection. There would be only light duties that she hasn't been able to do. Her telephone number is 07765 167470.

RED MISSION BOXES: St Columba's

Could those holding Red Mission Boxes please leave them in the SACRISTY SAFE for Marg Curtis, 01244 318424. Please collect your empty Red Mission Box from the table in the rear porch.

St Theresa's – Anyone with a Red Mission Box please leave in the Sacristy for Sean Baker to collect.

Thank you to all for your continued support.

CREAM TEA IN AID OF CAFOD:

The strawberry season is upon us so come and enjoy a cream tea on **Sunday 23rd June** from 2.30 - 4.30 at Ann McCarthy's, 49, St Chad's Road, Blacon, CH1 5LF. Tickets **only £3.50**. Please buy your ticket in advance for catering purposes. Contact 07751 970388

FRIDAY 26th JULY – ANNUAL COACH TRIP:

This year we are going to Nottingham, price £14pp. The lists for names are in the front porch of both Churches

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 23rd SEPTEMBER 2019:

For full details see poster at back of church – also on Notice Board section of parish website.

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 Bernard Payne
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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 9.00am on Thursday. Please include a phone number in case of queries.

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