

Parish of St Mary, Middlewich & St Margaret Ward, Holmes Chapel

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 8th August 2021

Sat	7th Aug	6.30pm	Lou Costello & Mike Casey
Sun	8th Aug	9.00am	The Parishioners
		11.00am	Priest's Int.
Mon	9th Aug	9.00am	Moira Swain <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>
		6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	10th Aug	9.00am	<i>St Lawrence</i>
Wed	11th Aug	7.30pm	<i>St Clare</i>
Thurs	12th Aug	9.00am	
		11.00am	Requiem Mass for Richard Burnside
Fri	13th Aug	9.00am	Janet & Con Daly, Wedd Anniv.
Sat	14th Aug	6.30pm	Thelma Woolridge b'day <i>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe</i>
Sun	15th Aug	9.00am	Priest's Int.
		11.00am	The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment

Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grey, Margaret McCallum, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, Gillian Robinson, Tim Bradbury, Peter Hannon, Stan Rosiak, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, John Evans, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Jan D, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Paul Hughes, Fr Jim McGrath, Ursula Finn, Mike O'Hare .



ALL who have died recently, especially Richard Burnside, Peter Croshaw, Jacqueline Edwards & Jim Quinn

ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Honora Joyce, Malachy Young, Paul Reece, George Butler, Stacey Wright, Lou Costello, Mary Robinson, Margaret Hall, John Patterson, Edward McGarvey snr., Philip Darlington, Helen Elvins, Julia Popple, Mary Anne O'Hare, Alfred Clarke, John McNeela, John Sweeney, Harold Bagnall, Evelyn Davies, Rev Peter Robertson, Rev Denis Marmion, Rev John M Lyons, Rev Michael Raiswell

We welcome into our Parish Family Lottie Rae Lola Kerr & Kendal Grace Morgan Kerr who will be Baptised this Sunday



If you are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in November please, email wordenm123@gmail.com or stmarysrcmiddlewich@gmail.com

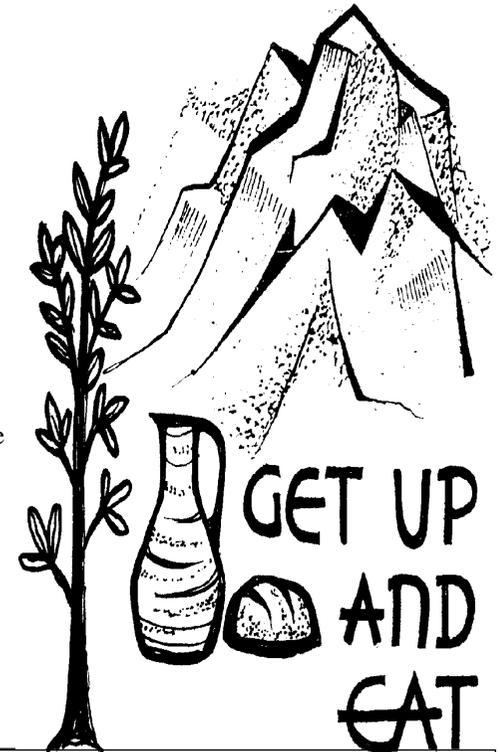
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"Post-Covid Clean" of Parish Centre: The thanks of the whole parish must go to those who contributed to the sparkling cleanliness of the Parish Centre. It is amazing what a few women, a boy and a man can achieve with a few hours hard work.! We look forward to being able to use the centre again ourselves, as well as it being available for rent to local groups. We can't afford to do anything major with building or decorating until our income recovers from Covid, but this has certainly shown what can be done when parishioners work together.

Despite the complete relaxation of the restrictions to which we have become accustomed, please do not think that this means no restrictions in church immediately. The Bishops have said that they do not envisage Sunday Masses returning to normal before Advent, but that Parish Priests should decide at what pace the restrictions should be relaxed, taking into account local conditions. However, there is increasing concern about the high numbers of cases of the virus and hospitalisations, so, in common with many other parishes, we have decided to keep the restrictions in church as they are, including the wearing of masks, signing in, the sanitising of hands, the social distancing measures, and the stewarding of weekend Masses until at least the end of August. This is disappointing, but is the only way to ensure the safety of our whole church family. Many people will be on holiday during this time so there should not be a problem with the restricted numbers. The same limit of 50 will be applied for weddings, baptisms & funerals The safety concerns mean that, unfortunately, for the time being, St Margaret's will remain closed for worship. Mothers' Prayers now takes place in church after Mass each Friday. Mass on Wednesday evenings & 11.00am Sunday will be streamed until numbers are no longer restricted, but please come in person if you can. Numbers are currently below maximum due to holidays Please tell all your fellow parishioners how safe it feels in church and encourage everyone to be part of the real, not just virtual, community again.
 Fr Peter, Deacon Tony, Deacon Chris.

FREE HOLIDAY CLUB PROGRAMME: Free places are now available for children and young people eligible for free school meals. This opportunity is provided as part of the government's expanded Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Cheshire East.

The scheme provides enjoyable activities and nutritious meals for primary and secondary school aged children who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Children will be able to access hundreds of free sessions throughout the summer holidays, including specific provisions available for children with SEND or additional needs. The sessions will include a variety of fun activities, including sports, music, arts and other exciting opportunities to learn and develop skills, alongside a nutritious meal each day. To view the activities and find out how to book a place, visit www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/FIS and clicking on the 'things to do' section or by searching 'family information service events'. Any families who don't have access to the internet are advised to contact a professional they are working with who can enrol on their behalf. For more information about the programme in Cheshire East visit www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/HAF



Please take care parking at church and, unless you are disabled, park in the car park rather than in front of church. There have been a couple of near misses with playing children recently and parents have complained about lack of care from some of our recent congregations. We are sure no one would wish to cause injury to local children, so avoiding parking there is the best way to be sure everyone is safe.