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

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Third Sunday of Advent, 11th December 2022

Sat	10th Dec	6.30pm	The Parishioners
Sun	11th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Pat & Peter B'day Priest's Int.
Mon	12th Dec	12.00pm 6.30pm	O'Hare family Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	13th Dec	9.00am	Peter Hannon St Lucy
Wed	14th Dec	7.30pm	John Devaney Anniv. St John of the Cross
Thurs	15th Dec	9.00am	(School) Jennifer O'Reilly RIP
Fri	16th Dec	9.00am	Dec. Members Jones family
Sat	17th Dec	6.30pm	Rex Lloyd Anniv.
Sun	18th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int The Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.30am—12.15pm & on request

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, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, Shirley Gaskell, Joan Upton, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Jean Royle, Cath Price, Norma Cassidy, Lawrence Glenn, Michael O'Keefe



ALL who have died recently.

whose anniversaries occur at this time: Adrian Precott, Edward Horne snr., John Cannon, Annie Kucharczyk, ALL Mary Kilkenny, Clarence de Soysa, Jane Conroy, William Joseph Egan, James Trelfa, John Devaney, Mary Turnbull, Robert Murray, Annie O'Brien, Elizabeth Twigg, Alice Jones, Bridget Naughton, Frank Bannaghan, Margaret Heyes, Canon Aelred Rigby, Rev James Devlin, Canon Andrew V Campbell, Rev Bernard Hewitt, Canon Rudolph Luczka, Rt Rev Hugh Singleton, Rev Daniel Canning

Christmas Services this year will be: Christmas Eve 6.00pm Carols ,6.30pn First Mass of Christmas,10.30pm Mass during the Night. (both at St Mary's)

Christmas Day 9.00am Mass at St Margaret's 11.00am Mass at St Mary's.

The parish of St Mary Middlewich sometimes collects personal information about parishioners. All personal information is collected, processed and stored in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations. This is retained only as necessary and used by the parish/diocese for the benefit of the parish and for legitimate reasons such as administrative and religious purposes. You can read our full privacy notice at www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/privacy-notice

There is a list of Raffle Prizewinners on the Notice Board at both churches and in the Parish Centre. The Raffle raised £426.Thank you to those who donated prizes and sold and bought tickets

Donations to Mary's Meals between now and the end of January will be doubled by private donors,. So far we have £457.82 ready to send from Craft Stall, Donations and Monday Lunch club. We are hoping to reach £500 before Christmas and will then send the cheque, which will be doubled!!

Foodbank Shortages this week: Yule Logs, Mince Pies (bbf date after 25.12) Christmas Crackers, Tinned Salmon, Instant Custard

There will be a collection this weekend and next at both churches for the Christmas Flowers. Please help us to make our churches beautiful to welcome Our Lord. Thank you

Recent Fundraisers: Bacon Butties raised £95 and Cake Stall £58.20 for parish Funds. Craft Stall raised £83.70 for Mary's Meals Thank you for your help with this

Parish Fatima Pilgrimage 2023: Dcn Chris & Fr Peter are organising a pilgrimage to Fatima for Oct 4th-11th next year. The itinerary is excellent (see poster at back of church). Cost is £799pp Full Board. It may seem a long way off but there is a £100 discount if you book and pay early. 50 places available. Contact Dcn Chris for booking forms(stmarysmiddlewichevents@gmail.com)

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

'The Letter' is a new documentary, available free on YouTube (just search 'the Letter Pope Francis'). It is based on Laudato Si and features Pope Francis, an indigenous leader from the Amazon, a climate refugee, a student from Senegal, a young activist from India and a team of scientists from the US as they meet with the Pope at the Vatican to discuss the ecological crisis.

HOLMES CHAPEL CHRISTMAS CARD:There are a few packets of cards that urgently need to be delivered asap. Please help. Thank you for your generosity.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO Martin; John Bryden & Arthur for putting up the Christmas Crib. A wonderful creative effort by Holmes Chapel Yarn Bombers. To Alex; Madeleine; Sue Semple; Stella; Pauline & Phil Haney. Thank you for helping and manning the Churches Together stall at the Christmas Market

On Monday 19th December St Mary's children will sing carols and decorate the tree in St Mary's Church, followed by refreshments, stalls and Fr Christmas in the parish centre. Please come along to support the children and have a good sing!

CHRISTMAS IS COMING (AGAIN)

A celebration of the customs & traditions of the season in verse, Music & Song, by Wendy Nugent & Joy Naylor. Saturday 10th December at 7.30pm in Middlewich Community Centre. Admission £10. Pay at door, cash or cheque only. Details from Roger Evans 01606 834471

Collection last week for Caritas Shrewsbury raised £171.55. The Crib Collection will also be for them.

Our Scripture Group is taking place on Tuesdays at 7.00pm. We meet for about an hour using Zoom. If you would like to join the group please contact Deacon Chris (deaconchriswells@gmail.com)

CAFOD World Gifts are a range of virtual ethical charity gifts that will give delight at Christmas to the people you give them to and help transform the lives of families and communities living in poverty. Gifts start from as little as £4. There's something for everyone, with gifts for gardeners, animal lovers, teachers, entrepreneurs – the list goes on! Catalogues and further details are available at the back of church or go to cafod.org.uk/worldgifts



This Week

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8.15pm	RCIA
9.45am	Mothers' Prayers
7.30pm	Advent Hour
	9.45am

Parish Centre Room 1 Parish Centre Room 4 St Margaret's