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

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## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 2nd July 2023

Sat	1st July	6.30pm	Priest's Int.
Sun	2nd July	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) the Parishioners Leanne Collins b'day
Mon	3rd July	9.00am 6.30pm	John Cater RIP St Thomas Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	4th July	9.00am	Private Int. B
Wed	5th July	7.30pm	Tom O'Hare b'day
Thurs	6th July	9.00am	(School) Molly Hamblett
Fri	7th July	9.00am	Patrick McNamara RIP
Sat	8th July	6.30pm	The Parishioners
Sun	9th July	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int. Lisa Maria Barraclough Anniv.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11.30am-12.15pm

Sacrament of Baptism: By arrangement

## Please Pray for

ALL who are sick at home and in hospital: Stephen Grev, Margaret McCallum, Sara O'Brien, Jamie Connor, Gillian Robinson, Peter Hannon, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Jenny Ogden, Joan Upton, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Jean Royle, Cath Price, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Edward Evans.

ALL who have died recently especially Alan Higginson, Shauna Bates & Fr Russell Cooke

whose anniversaries occur at this time: Russell Simpson, Bob Buckley, James Nugent, Joseph Costello, Mary Jump, Henry Garritty, Ted Reid, Cathy Boughen, Roger Hazel, Margaret McNeela, Leonard Glynn, James Griffiths, Nora Mitchell, Bridget Clewes, Thomas Loughlin, Gustay Emil Nehrlich, Thomas Cannon, Maud Griffiths, Veronica Ward, Canon Maurice Abbott

Middlewich & District Foodbank: We need volunteers to help at our joint food collection at Asda Winsford between 8am & 5pm on 7th & 8th July. If you can help please book an hour slot by visiting https://midcheshire-foodbank.appointedd.com This week's shortages: Laundry detergent, men's/ women's/unisex deodorant, soap, washing up liquid

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This Sunday, 2nd July, we have our annual Strawberries & Fizz after 11.00am Mass in the parish centre. Donations welcome. Why not come along and support parish funds and enjoy yourself at the same time?



Parish Finances: Many thanks to all who contributed to the "Rescue Fund Collection last week. It was certainly worth doing! Thank you also to the kind parishioner who has adopted the Church Planters, and to those who brought in tea, coffee and biscuits for the parish centre. Our cupboard is well stocked! Thank you also to those who have increased their weekly giving. Increases in monthly standing orders will not become apparent until we receive the June Bank Statement, which doesn't arrive until the end of the first week in July We will let you know what progress is being made when we receive it. We have just been told that our electricity bills are likely to increase so, judging from last year's bills, we need at least £15,000 in the bank before winter arrives! Even in summer.

monthly fuel bills for last month came to £790

We continue our reflections on Vatican II. in Part III On The Church. This time, we ask the question: 'Why is the Church?' Why does she exist ...? The Council's answer is that her mission is to call all people of all times to holiness, which is why she must evangelise. What this means for us is given in *Lumen Gen*tium Chaps 5 and 6, taken together. Podcast 9 and its handout are now available on the diocesan website at dioceseofshrewsbury.org in the section on 'News and

**Events'.** A leaflet outlining the content of all of the podcasts is available in the parish. If you have difficulty accessing this material or have questions and reflections, please don't hesitate to contact Barbara barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org or 07730

526821.

We would like to thank all those who contributed to the Bibles for our First Communion children. They were much appreciated. Please continue to pray for all our young families. Every Blessing from all the Catechists.

## FAMILYSPONSORED WALK Next Sunday, 9th July. Sponsor Forms available from the back of church.

We will meet after 11am mass: the walk is mainly along the canal and should take a maximum of 2 hours, finishing back at St. Mary's church. Everyone will be given a copy of the route and can go at their own pace. Refreshments will be served in the Parish centre at the end for anyone who wishes to join us. Any donations towards refreshments will be gratefully received. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible, and we hope that we can raise plenty of money towards parish funds. Please can all money raised be brought into church, and given to Molly....thank you in advance.



This Week

Mothers' Prayers Friday 9.45am Friday 10.00am Toddler Group Family Sponsored Walk Sunday 12.00pm

Parish Centre Room 4 Parish Centre Room 2.3