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

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# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 23rd July 2023

Sat	22nd July	6.30pm	Anne Casey B'day
Sun	23rdJuly	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) Priest's Int The Parishioners
Mon	24th July	9.00am 6.30pm	Shauna Bates RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	25th July	9.00am	Thanksgiving M St James
Wed	26th July	7.30pm	Hilda, Jim, Paul & Elizabeth Duffy Ss Joachim & Ann
Thurs	27th July	9.00am	Gavin McAleer B'day
Fri	28th July	<u>11.00am</u>	Requiem Mass for Deborah Rigley
Sat	29th July	6.30pm	Priest's Int.Ss Mary, Martha & Lazarus
Sun	30th July	9.00am 11.00am	(H Chapel) The Parishioners George & Mary Stevens

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 Grey, 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 Deborah Rigley
- ALL whose anniversaries occur at this time: Catherine Morrison, Anne Cull, Patrick Molloy, Christine Jennings, Jean O'Rourke, Catherine O'Sullivan, John Donohue, Joseph Hynes, Henry Aloysius Murphy, Diane Willemse, Mildred Wells, Jean Tunney, David Clarke, Mick Woodward, Dorothy Worthington, James McGorty, John Jordan, Leila Quinn, Joseph Harrup, Edward McSpadden, Provost John Burgon, Rev Gerard Corcoran

Middlewich & District Foodbank: This week's shortages: Custard (packet or tinned) Tinned Potatoes, instant mash, sanitary towels.

### CAFOD CAMPAIGN: FIX THE FOOD SYSTEM

Thank you to all who signed the letter to show their support for Salina, a small farmer from Bangladesh to the World Bank. She is asking the World Bank to protect the rights of small farmers to use and share their own seeds.

Thank you for your donations to Stella Maris for seafarers. We collected £111.20. Thank you

As often happens at this time of year, we are very short of Mass Intentions again, which means that Fr Peter may have to supplement his allowance from the parish account, which is itself not yet in a very healthy state. If anyone would like extra masses celebrated for friends or family, alive or dead, please put the offering in an envelope and write the intention on it and either give it to Molly, put it in the Holmes Chapel bag or put it through the presbytery door

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**Parish Finances**: Thank you 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. Thanks to your generosity and to several parishioners who have made substantial donations, the June Bank statement has finally showed an increase! We now have £8,000, an increase of £3,000 last month. We do not expect such an increase this month as things which have been on hold for months will now have to be paid, but hopefully this will not result in a drop in reserves. We will continue with our monthly "Rescue Fund" collection next weekend

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 Gentium Chaps 5 and 6, taken together. Podcast 9 and

its **handout** are now available on the diocesan web-

site at <u>dioceseofshrewsbury.org</u> 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

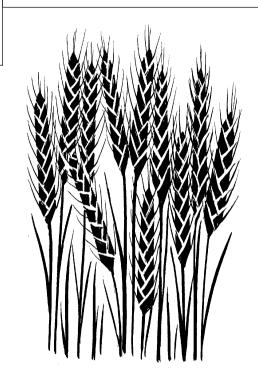
and reflections, please don't hesitate to contact Barbara

via E: <u>barbara.davies@dioceseofshrewsbury.org</u> or T: 07730 526821.

## FAMILY SPONSORED WALK

Thank you to all who took part in the walk and those who sponsored them or donated money. Please can all sponsor money be given to Molly <u>ASAP</u> Many thanks to Karen and Amy for their great work in organising it.

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.





This Week

Friday 9.45am Mothers' Prayers

Parish Centre Room 4