



Parish of St. Mary, Middlewich
serving St. Margaret Ward, Holmes Chapel

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Entrance Antiphon

The children of the Hebrews, carrying Olive branches, went to meet the Lord,
crying out and saying: Hosanna in the highest

Responsorial Psalm **Philippians 2:8-9**

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Christ became for us obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name that is above every name.
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Gospel Acclamation **Ps 22(21):8-9. 17-18a. 19-20. 23-24. R2a**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
All who see me deride me;
they curl their lips, they toss their heads:
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him, for in him he delights.'
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
For dogs have surrounded me;
a band of the wicked besets me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
I can count every one of my bones.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
They divide my clothing among them,
they cast lots for my robe.
But you, O Lord, do not stay afar off;
my strength, make haste to help me!
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
I will tell of your name to my kin,
and praise you in the midst of the assembly;
'You who fear the Lord, give him praise;
all descendants of Jacob, give him glory;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel.'
My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Communion Antiphon **Matthew 26:42**

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

Come and See - Tuesdays after Easter

Tuesday Get Togethers

Dates: 22/04/25, 29/04/25, 06/05/25, 13/05/25, 20/04/25

Time: 19:00 - 20:00

Location: St Mary's catholic Primary School, manor Lane, Middlewich
Come along. Refreshments provided.

The Chosen series is a ground breaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus, seen through the eyes of those who knew Him. Set against the backdrop of Jewish oppression in first century Israel, the show shares an authentic and intimate look at Jesus's revolutionary life and teachings. This TV series will hopefully be a way for you to experience Jesus for yourself and a chance to discuss the content and reflect on what it means to you personally. We hope that you've already heard about it, and maybe even watched it, and our desire is to help you share it with the wider community. When: every Tuesday for 5 weeks.

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April 2025

Holy Mass and Divine Mercy Chaplet – 3pm at St Mary's

Holy Week 13th April 2025

Sun	13 th Apr	9.00am 11.00am	Palm Sunday of The Passion of Our Lord Red (Holmes Chapel) The Parishioners Ruth Margaret (nee Stoneley) RIP
Mon	14 th Apr	9.00am 6.30pm	Monday of Holy Week Purple Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues	15 th Apr	9.00am	Tuesday of Holy Week Purple
Wed	16 th Apr	9.00am	Wednesday of Holy Week Purple
Thurs	17 th Apr	6.30pm	Holy Thursday (The washing of the feet) White Celebration of the Lord's Supper, Mary Walsh anniv.
Fri	18 th Apr	3.00pm	Good Friday Red Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord
Sat	19 th Apr	8.30pm	Holy Saturday (the Church waits Easter Vigil) Gold or White
Sun	20 th Apr	9.00am 11.00am	Easter Sunday Gold or White (Holmes Chapel) Priest's intentions

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday (not this week)
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, Sadie Everard, Alex Randall, Margaret Scarlett, Fr Jim McGrath, Mike O'Hare, Robert Harrington, Michael O'Keefe, Christine McHugh, Edward Evans, Mike Hough, Canon Phil Moor, Catherine McIntosh, Doreen Stevenson, Margaret Strong, Caroline De Vere, Frank Holbrook.

Who have died recently: Mike Sproston Snr.

Whose anniversaries occur at this time: Annie Acton, Frank Challinor, Clement Bannaghan, Elizabeth Rush, Lodzia Jaskiewicz, Margaret Hatton, Patrick Jordon, Agnes Mary Loughlin, Catherine Anne Duncan, Kathleen Hunter, Patrick Dolan, Peter Kerrigan, Mary Ellen Horne, James Cregg, Ted Higgins, Winifred Williams, May Shirley, John Costello, Leonard Farrington, Louise Turnbull.

Middlewich Food Bank Asda Collections Friday 25th and Saturday 26th

Mike Worden is trying to sort the ASDA Foodbank collections for Friday 25th and Sat 26th of April and it would be great if as many people as possible could volunteer. Please see message below from Mike:

As usual we have 1hr slots starting at 9am and ending at 5pm each day. (Some people do 2 back to back slots) Are you available at all to assist? Please let me know if you can and which day and I'll let you know what time slots still need filling. Thanks for reading. Mike 07368836053

CAFOD Myanmar Earthquake Appeal

Following the devastating earthquake in Myanmar, CAFOD is responding through the Catholic Church there to support families affected by the disaster. Your donations will provide essentials like water, food, solar lights, and mosquito nets. Please give to CAFOD's Myanmar Earthquake Appeal in the basket at the back of church or you can donate online at cafod.org.uk/myanmar or by calling 0300 999 0030. You can also **text EARTHQUAKE to 70450** to donate £10.

Invitation from St Benedict's Catholic Church, Hall Road, Handforth

The Joy of the Lord is my Strength (Nehemiah 8:10) - You are welcome to join us for a time of Scripture & live Worship Music in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at St Benedict's Catholic Church, Hall Road, Handforth, SK9 3AD on Sunday 4th May 2025, 7pm followed by refreshments in the hall.

Invitation from St Teresa's Catholic Church, Green Lane, Wilmslow.

Celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima on Tuesday 13th May 2025 from 7pm to 9pm - You are welcome to an evening of hearing the message of Fatima, hymns, Eucharistic Adoration, Marian devotion, and veneration of the Relics of Saints Jacinta & Francisco. **Beginning with the celebration of Holy Mass at 7pm at Sacred Heart and St Teresa's Catholic Church, Green Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 1LD.** Free parking on Green Lane from 6.30pm and nearby in the Rex Car Park, SK9 1NX

Easter Flower collection – This weekend - There will be a collection for Easter Palms and flowers to make Easter special please be generous and thank you in advance for your kind generosity.