



The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – 12TH JUNE 2022

Saturday 11th June

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30pm Joyce Townson. BD

Sunday 12th June – Trinity Sunday

St. Theresa's 9.30am People of Ukraine
St. Columba's 11.00am The Parish
St. Columba's 2.30pm FHC Celebration Mass

Monday 13th June – St Anthony of Padua, P, D

St. Theresa's Private Intention (PR)
St. Columba's 10.30am Priests' Intentions

Tuesday 14th June

St. Theresa's Priests' Intentions
St. Columba's Parishioners' Intentions

Wednesday 15th June

St. Theresa's Special Intention
St. Columba's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
10.15am Novena Prayers
St. Columba's 10.30am Sheila Corcoran

Thursday 16th June

St. Theresa's Private Intention
St. Columba's Janice Kemp & family

Friday 17th June

St. Theresa's 9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
& Devotions to Our Lady
10.00am Robert Dolan
St. Columba's Lauren Kemp

Saturday 18th June – The Most Holy Trinity

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30pm Carol J.

Sunday 19th June – The Body and Blood of Christ

St. Theresa's 9.30am Mary & Philip Smith RIP
St. Columba's 11.00am The Parish

CONFESSIONS:

There will be Confessions after every weekday Mass until 11.30am. at both churches.

St Columba's: From 6pm before the 6.30pm Saturday evening Mass.

St Theresa's: From 4.30pm before 5pm Saturday evening Mass.

WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS AND FUNERALS:

Please contact one of the Parish Offices to make your arrangements.

WELCOME:

We welcome to our parish family, James John Simpkin, who was baptised at St Columba's on 5th June. May the Lord bless and guide him and his family.

RECENTLY DEAD:

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently. May the Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their families and friends.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Helen Mary Jones, Albert Hodkinson, John Fondacaro, Mary Roddy, Carolyn Pritchard.

STREAMING OF MASS

Mass will be streamed from St Columba's at 11.00am on Sunday 12 June.

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FEAST OF ST PETER & ST PAUL - 29TH JUNE:

Mass for this Holy day of Obligation will be at 10.30am at St Columba's for all parishioners.

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose plate - £511.02 Planned Giving- £265.50

Average weekly SOs - £677.00

Wednesday Tai Chi £40

St Theresa's: Loose plate and Planned Giving: £223.87

Average weekly SOs £161.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Pastoral Council are available on noticeboards.

XAVERIAN FATHERS MISSIONARY APPEAL

Next weekend (18/19 June) we will welcome Fr Robert Sowa who will be speaking at Masses and making an appeal on behalf of the Xaverian Fathers.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15-21 May:

Thank you for your support of Christian Aid Week via the envelopes. £75 was raised. Further information about CA's work can be found at <https://caweek.org>

PRAYING TOGETHER:

We pray for:

- the residents of Coniston Road, The Nook, Brook Lane, Hereford Place, Worcester Place, Ludlow Road and Mayfield Road
- all who come seeking to understand more about the Christian Faith.

THIS WEEK! ST COLUMBA FEAST DAY BARBECUE:

Join us this Sunday for a tasty burger, hotdog or veggie option.

Only £2 for a BBQ option and a drink.

See you outside the hall in the sunshine!

A big 'Thank You' to the Social Affairs Committee for organising this event, and to all those who are attending.

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Friday 15th July, 7.30 to 10.30pm – An Evening of Music at St Theresa's, £3 pay on the door.

Thursday 4th August – parish coach trip to Llandudno, leaving St Columba's at 8.45am and St Theresa's at 9am. £13 per person. Please sign on the lists in church porches or contact Margaret Curtis 01244 318424

IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH OTHER CHURCHES:

Another opportunity to take part in this important work will occur on July 31st when St. Columba's will host the next Fifth Sunday Service for Churches Together in Upton. Watch this space for more information on opportunities to join in. David Savage 01244 380626.

ST. COLUMBA'S COFFEE ROTA:

12th June St Columba's Annual Barbecue

19th June Sue McCarthy for SVP

26th June Volunteers needed please

If you would like to volunteer to raise money for your cause, write your name on the rota in the hall or contact Margaret Curtis on [01244 318424](tel:01244318424)

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from **29th July – 4th August** by air and **28th July – 5th August** overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage Website www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4 UX.

Thought for the week "Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." Albert Einstein.

We're all in this together We hope you all had a lovely Jubilee weekend. 70 years of service is a significant achievement. Our Queen has lived through and seen so many changes in her lifetime. While we sometimes see history as something that happened a long time ago, we have all lived through history. Just think about all the changes that have happened in your lifetime. New technologies, computers, telephone communications etc; new building techniques; the world wide web; new medicines and procedures; new materials; wars; falling of the Berlin Wall; covid; numerous disasters be they volcanic eruptions, floods, tsunamis' and many, many more. Life is about change. What amazes you the most about your life of change? Happy contemplation.

RED MISSION BOXES, ST COLUMBA'S:

If you have a Red Mission box, please leave it in the sacristy and when Margaret has counted it, your new box will be ready for collection in the rear porch - please only take the box with your name on. Thank you, Margaret Curtis, [01244 318424](tel:01244318424).

ST THERESA'S – The boxes are available for collection at the back of church.

200 CLUB:

The new envelopes are available at the back of St Theresa's church for you to take. The GRAND DRAW will take place at the beginning of July.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CHAMPION, CWAC:

Annette Thomas is the Community Health Champion for Cheshire West and Chester Council; the focus of her role is to lead on work to better understand and mitigate health inequalities faced by minority ethnic communities as well as underrepresented groups across the borough.

Asymptomatic testing, Long COVID, COVID vaccination, Flu vaccinations, Physical health screening, Mental health and other identified health issues will be specifically explored in her work to further assess the impact upon diverse communities and vulnerable groups.

She will be organising webinars, community talk sessions, workshops, and dedicated webpage content Equality for my health to encourage conversation, raise awareness and work with communities to address health inequalities. Annette is keen to work with diverse communities to ensure all are included, listened to and strategies in place to make long lasting change.

If you would like to know more about Annette's work, please contact equalities@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

VACANCY: SITE MAINTENANCE OFFICER

ST. THERESA'S SCHOOL:

The above vacancy is for 25 hours per week £19,264 pro rata per annum. For further information please contact the school office 01244-470860 or via email bursa@st-theresas.cheshire.sch.uk the closing date is Friday 17th June 2022. Interview date Tuesday 21st June 2022.

RETAIL SUPERVISOR SHOP AND VISITOR CENTRE:

Saint Winefride's Well and Shrine in the Diocese of Wrexham are looking for a retail supervisor for their shop and visitor centre. Please contact - **Rebecca Garratt**, Business Manager Bishop's House, Sontley Road, Wrexham LL13 7EW Telephone +44 (0) 1978 262726.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH & HALL BOOKINGS

To arrange meetings etc. in either the Church, Newman Room or the Iona Chapel, please book through Nuala Keegan, Church Office, 01244 624019,

Email: stcolumbaschurch2016@outlook.com

Hall availability can be checked by looking at St Columba's Church website – section for Church Hall gives a calendar of events in the Hall. Then contact Sue Carr on 07553 114531 or email columbashallbookings@gmail.com to arrange booking.

NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:

This will be compiled by Rebecca Vaughan

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Please include a phone number in case of queries, and Please ensure that items are emailed or phoned to the Compiler by **9.00 a.m. on THURSDAY 16TH JUNE**

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