



The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

14th August 2022

Saturday 13th August

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30pm Ian Bullough A.

Sunday 14th August – Assumption of the B.V.M.

St. Theresa's 9.30am John & Charles Woods RIP
St. Columba's 11.00am Marion Baker RIP

Monday 15th August

St. Theresa's Private Intention
St. Columba's 10.30am Marion Baker RIP

Tuesday 16th August – St. Stephen of Hungary, K.

St. Theresa's Special Intention
St. Columba's Priests' Intentions

Wednesday 17th August

St Theresa's Priests' Intentions
St. Columba's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
10.15am Novena Prayers
St. Columba's 10.30am Kathryn Brothwood

Thursday 18th August

St. Theresa's Private Intention
St. Columba's Parishioners' Intentions

Friday 19th August – St. John Eudes, P. Mem

St. Theresa's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Devotions to Our Lady
10.00am Fran & Roy Gent RIP
St. Columba's Private Intention

Saturday 20th August – St. Bernard, Ab, D

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 6.30pm Michael Noone

Sunday 21st August

St. Theresa's 9.30am Nick Huber & Mark Palatino RIP
St. Columba's 11.00am Catherine Sullivan & John Briody

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.

RECENTLY DEAD:

Please remember in your prayers Alan Francis Mason and Josie Shanley who died recently. May the Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their families and friends.

Alan's Funeral Service will be held at Chester Crematorium at 10.40 a.m. on Wednesday 17th August 2022. Josie's Funeral to be confirmed.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Graham William Leech, Michael Paziuk, John Dunne.

STREAMING OF MASS:

Mass will be streamed from St. Theresa's at 9.30a.m. on Sunday 14th August

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OFFERTORY:

St Columba's:

Loose plate – £249.54, Planned Giving: £113.00. Average weekly SOs - £677.00

St Theresa's: Loose plate and Planned Giving: Average weekly SOs £161. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

PRAYING TOGETHER:

We pray for:

- the residents of Greenfields, Flag Lane North, Oakfield Avenue, Wavertree Road, Western Avenue, Lloyd Place and Adelaide Road
- the Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Lay Readers, Parish Assistant and Local Church Leaders. For all those not yet connected to the life of the Church or who have lost their faith.

ST COLUMBA'S SUNDAY COFFEE ROTA:

14th Aug - Volunteers please

21st Aug - Margaret and Jane Nash

27th Aug – Volunteers 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)

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“How cool is it that the same God who created mountains and oceans and galaxies, looked at you and thought the world needed one of you, too.”

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER:

“Sport is just the beginning”, one of the Commonwealth games slogans. There has certainly been plenty of sport to watch on TV recently, the Tour De France cycle races, the Women's European football, cricket, the Commonwealth games...It amazes me how

fast, agile, resilient, and strong the human being can be. I know we can't all be champions, but we can be inspired by the sports stars, as well as embody sportsmanship, fair play and enjoyment of whatever we do to our best ability. As it says "sport is just the beginning", where to now?

RESOURCES:

[Visiting the Holy Land:](#) The Bishops of England and Wales have produced a document to help visitors to the Holy Land better understand the complexities and challenges of life for the people who live there. Cardinal Nichols has written. "I welcome these guidelines for all pilgrimages to the Holy Land. The complexities and vulnerabilities which people face in the land where Jesus lived need to be understood and our heartfelt support for Christian communities need to be well judged and generously delivered. "These reflections can definitely help us in this important process." [Click above for a copy of the booklet.](#)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS BACK!!:

We are delighted that the Children's Liturgy has returned to the 11.00 mass at St Columba's, after such a long break. Very many thanks to the volunteer team who will run this once a month to begin with. We hope that if we can recruit more helpers we can increase the frequency.

The next two sessions will be on Sunday 14th August and Sunday 4th September.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

If you would like to become an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharistic please email st.theresas@btinternet.com or 'phone the presbytery on 01244 379443 and give us your name and contact details and we will get back to you.

MARY'S MEALS:

Thank you for your donations to this last weekend, we will let you have the amount when it has been counted.

ALTAR SERVER OUTING - AUTUMN 2022:

There will be an altar serving outing in September or October for altar servers of St Columba's and St Theresa's. A survey has been sent out to altar servers via the WhatsApp group and via email - but if you are interested and haven't seen this, please get in touch with Richard Curtis. Tel: 07787782255. email: rich.curtis89@yahoo.co.uk

ARRANGEMENTS FOR 14TH SEPTEMBER – ST BERNADETTE:

The Booking System is starting to go live at St Werburgh's! Go to the St Werburgh Home Page on our website and click the button "St Bernadette Relics – 14th September". Eight lines down you'll find the link to the National Website. Click that and you'll find a wealth of information. For Booking purposes, click "Registration" on the menu bar at the top of the page. Find the Map Pin for Shrewsbury Diocese (hiding behind Liverpool – cheek!) and that will bring up the two venues, our Cathedral and St Werburgh's. At the moment – Saturday morning, 30th July – only the afternoon visits are bookable. The morning is exclusively for our schools, but we hope the Bookings for Mass (12.15 pm) will be bookable soon as well. Watch this space, everyone!

RICHARD CURTIS RUNNING THE 2022 LONDON MARATHON:

On Sunday 2nd October Richard Curtis is running the 2022 London Marathon. I am running in aid of the Neonatal Unit for The Countess Charity. This charity has a special place in my and Nina's hearts, because of the amazing care we received when Anya was born 8 weeks premature over 6 years ago at the Countess of Chester Hospital. If you could please spare a

small donation, we would be most grateful. Link to the donation page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Richard-Curtis-LM22>

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)

LOST RAINCOAT:

A blue raincoat with white spots was left on the Llandudno coach last Thursday. Could the owner please contact Margaret Curtis [01244 318424](tel:01244318424).

THANK YOU:

Bill Baker and family would like to thank everyone who attended Marian Baker's funeral, sent cards and sympathised with the family after Marian's death. It is very much appreciated.

CHESTER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL.

GOVERNOR VACANCIES – SEPT. 2022

From September 2022 we will be looking to recruit 2 new Foundation governors and one community governor to join the local governing board at Chester Catholic High.

Is a foundation governor different to other governors? No, Foundation governors do exactly the same as everyone else, but the difference is that they are appointed by the Bishop to oversee that the Catholic ethos is developed throughout the school. As a Foundation governor you would ensure the Catholic teachings are preparing all our students, Catholic and non-Catholic alike, to be ready to leave school prepared for their future in an ever-changing world.

You must be a practicing catholic to apply and belong to a parish. This is so your parish priest can vouch for you and sign your application form.

What is the role of a Community governor? The Community governor has the same involvement as all governors, but they represent the views of the local community around CHS. This role can be applied directly through the school and is open to everyone regardless of their faith.

If you would like an informal chat about governance, or wish to express an interest in the Community governor role, please contact the Chair of Governors via the school email: johnsonj@christofidelis.org.uk.

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 Muriel Green

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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 **9.00a.m. on WEDNESDAY 17TH AUGUST**

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