



The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21st August 2022

Saturday 20th August – St Bernard, Abbot, 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 RIP

St Columba's 12.30pm Baptism – Holly Sophie Whittaker

Monday 22nd August - The Queenship of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

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

Tuesday 23rd August – St Rose of Lima

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

Wednesday 24th August – St Bartholomew, Apostle

St Theresa's Priests' Intentions
St. Columba's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10.15am Novena Prayers

St. Columba's 10.30am Fr Peter Bristow

Thursday 25th August – St Thomas of Hereford

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

Friday 26th August

St. Theresa's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Devotions to Our Lady
10.00am Stephen James Taylor RIP
St. Columba's 10.30am Requiem Mass Josephine Shanley RIP

Saturday 27th August – St Monica

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Marion Baker RIP
St. Columba's 6.30pm Mary McGee

Sunday 28th August

St. Theresa's 9.30am Parishioners' Intentions
St. Columba's 11.00am Parishioners' Intentions
St Columba's 12.30pm Baptism – Finlay Hart Toop

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 **Josie Shanley** who died recently. May the Lord grant her Eternal Life and console their families and friends. Josie's funeral is at 10.30am on Friday 26 August at St Columba's.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Francisco Senhorinho, Stephen James Taylor, Peter Edge.

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 – £229.34, Planned Giving: £128.00. Average weekly SOs - £677.00

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

PRAYING TOGETHER:

We pray for:

- the residents of Oakfield Drive, Flag Lane South, Upton Lane, Wheldon Close, Maitland Way, Canberra Wau, Roebourne Rise, Melbourne Road.
- the Wardens, Deputy Wardens, Sidespersons and Collectors.
- For our churches being welcoming to newcomers.

ST COLUMBA'S SUNDAY COFFEE ROTA

21st Aug - Margaret and Jane Nash for the Parish

28th Aug - volunteers please

4th Sep - 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

MARY'S MEALS

A total of **£764.97** was raised by the parish in response to the appeal for Mary's Meals on 6/7 August. Thank you so much for your continued generosity in these difficult times.

In addition, last Sunday's coffee morning raised a further **£35** for this worthy cause. Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The original Hebrew root of "Be Still", doesn't mean "be quiet"; it means "Let Go". "Let Go and know that I am God." 5minuteswithjesus.com

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER:

The heat of last week seems to have subsided and a more "normal" summer weather pattern has resumed. But it's clear that "our lifestyles have a profound impact on our planet. Our choices matter... By making choices that have less harmful effects on the environment, we can be part of the solution and influence change. The energy, food, and transport sectors each contribute about 20 per cent of lifestyle emissions. From the electricity we use, to the food we eat and the way we travel, we can make a difference." (United Nations- Act Now). The UN identify 10 actions that can help: 1 save energy at home; 2 walk, bike, take public transport; 3 eat more Veg; 4 consider how you travel; 5 throw away less food; 6 reduce, reuse, repair and recycle; 7 change energy source; 8 use of electric cars; 9 eco-friendly products; 10 speak out. If we all can do a bit, make small changes where we can, we can all live more sustainably and help build a better world for everyone.

RESOURCES:

Interested in taking part in Upton Nature project with Chester Zoo, next meeting will take place at Upton Pavilion, Wealstone Lane, Thursday 25 August 6.30-8pm.

EXAM RESULTS: Wishing all our students who received their exam results this last week and those who will be receiving them in the following weeks all the very best. May all your futures be bright whatever path you now take. God Bless you all.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Last week, the children loved learning about the Assumption of Mary. They enjoyed hearing about Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth. They then worked really hard making crowns in celebration of Mary being the Queen of Heaven.

Children's liturgy will continue at 11am Mass on the first Sunday of each month. We would love to be able to increase the frequency as our children are the future of our parish. We currently only have four volunteers. Should you wish to become involved we would be delighted to hear from you.

Our next session will take place on Sunday 4th September at 11am Mass. Children of all ages are welcome.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

If you would like to become an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist 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.

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

RECRUITING LOURDES HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THE VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE OF LOURDES:

These relics will be coming to the Cathedral on Tuesday 13th September and move to St Werburgh', Chester on 14th September. Lourdes Hospitality members have been approached to carry the reliquary and statue and then stand on guard throughout the visit. This is a real honour so please consider helping if you are a member of the Lourdes Hospitality. If you cannot help yourself, then please do invite others to do so. For further details please contact the Hospitality President, Siobhan Cartwright: siobhanbc@gmail.com or phone on 07761138947.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR 14TH SEPTEMBER:

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)

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Coach trip to Llandudno - this went well and we had lovely weather Thanks to Margaret Curtis for organising it so let's see some more of you enjoying next year's trip, wherever that may be to.

Family Fun Quiz Night - We are going to hold a family quiz night on Friday 16th September at 7 p.m. so please bring the family along and join in the fun. There will be questions suitable for all age groups.

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:

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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 24TH AUGUST**

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