



The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13TH NOVEMBER 2022

Saturday 12th November – St Josaphat, B. M

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Kathleen Margaret Maguire RIP

St. Columba's 6.30pm Catherine Haslam

Sunday 13th November – Remembrance Day

St. Theresa's 9.30am Parishioners' Intentions

St. Columba's 11.00am The Parish

Monday 14th November

St. Theresa's Holy Souls

St. Columba's 10.30am Michael Booth A

Tuesday 15th November

St. Theresa's Holy Souls

St. Columba's Megs Dodd

Wednesday 16th November

St Theresa's 11.00am Requiem mass for Anthony William Davenport

St. Columba's 9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sac.

10.15am Novena Prayers

10.30am Howard Sherman RIP

Thursday 17th November

St. Theresa's All at the Oxford Carmelite Priory

St Columba's Tom Campbell

Friday 18th November

St. Theresa's 10.00am Living & deceased members of the Williams family

St. Columba's Lulu Campbell

Saturday 19th November

St. Theresa's 5.00pm Deceased of the Becker family

St. Columba's 6.30pm Kathleen Williams RIP

Sunday 20th November – Christ the King Solemnity

St. Theresa's 9.30am Michael Berry 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.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Cecelia Margaret Redmond, Steven Andrew Roberts, Berta Barton, Rose Mary (May) Me, Kathleen Maguire, Annina (Ann) Florio, George Richard Becker, Eric Walsh, Owen Christopher O'Hanlon, Elizabeth Bayley.

HOLY SOULS: - NOVEMBER

Envelopes are available in the front porch. Please put any names/donations in the envelope and place them in the Offertory basket.

RECENTLY DEAD

Please remember in your prayers David Vaughan and Anthony (Tony) Davenport, who died recently. May the Lord grant them Eternal Life and console their family and friends. Tony's Requiem Mass is at St Theresa's on Wednesday 16th November at 11am.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS:

Mass will be streamed from St Theresa's at 9.30am this Sunday 13th November 2022.

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PRAYING TOGETHER:

We pray for:

- the residents of Queen's Crescent, Weston Grove, Lakeside Close, Dukesway, The Glen, Jonathan's Way, Sumner Road, Fisher Road and Graham Road.
- For the Senior Citizens Club, Food & Fun and St Vincent de Paul Society.
- For all those who are retired

OFFERTORY:

St Columba's: Loose plate: £281.23 Planned Giving: £146.40. Average weekly SOs - £574.00.

St Theresa's: Loose plate and Planned Giving: £245.76

Average weekly SOs £161.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

CLERGY EDUCATION FUND:

There will be a second collection for the Clergy Education Fund at all weekend Masses. Many thanks for your generosity.

ST. COLUMBA'S COFFEE ROTA:

13th Nov – Giovanna for AVSI

20th Nov- Anne Mosquera for Shelter Box & Uganda Rock of Joy Trust

27th Nov -AUTUMN FAIR

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

SPIRITAN APPEAL:

Fr James and Fr William would like to thank parishioners for the generous donation of £857.60 from the recent Spiritan Appeal. It is much appreciated.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS:

If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister or Reader, at either church, please contact the Parish Office at St Columba's. (email: stcolumbaschurch2016@outlook.com).

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

Children's Liturgy at St. Columba's in the Newman Room will continue at 11am Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Children of all ages are welcome. 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.

YOUTH GROUP:

The next youth group will be on Monday 21st November, starting at 7.15pm in the Iona chapel, finishing promptly at 8.45pm in the St. Columba's hall. We had a lovely first meeting last month and invite young parishioners from school year 5, or older, to come along, meet old friends, make new friends, play games, eat snacks, have fun and learn a bit about our faith. At the start of your first meeting we will need your parents to pop into the Iona chapel for a few moments to complete permission forms. If you need a lift to St. Columba's or would like more information please phone Denise Lusk on 01244 379742.

Equipment needed – the youth group have a table tennis table, but no bats and balls. If you have any unused table tennis equipment, or any other unwanted large game that the youth group might enjoy playing with, please would you consider donating it to our youth group.

THANK YOU

Martin Connolly's family would like to thank all of those who attended his funeral. They also appreciated the cards, condolences, many kind words, shared memories and stories of his life. He will be sadly missed.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

There will be a time for silent remembrance during the 9.30 Mass at St Theresa's. There will be a one minute silence at 11.00am mass at St Columba's, in conjunction with the national silence.

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE -13th NOVEMBER

Join Blacon Churches on Sunday 13th November at 11am at the War Memorial, Blacon Cemetery on Remembrance Sunday.

FIRST SACRAMENTS – ST COLUMBA'S:

Next Sunday 20th November children from the parish who are preparing to receive First Sacraments this school year will be enrolled in their preparation programme during the 11.00am Mass. Please pray for the children and their families at this important time in their faith journey.

DAY OF DISCERNMENT

'Discernment of Gifts and Service – Your Role and Mission in the Church' A day of reflection, prayer, fellowship, teaching and workshops to help you know how you can best use your gifts in the service of God and neighbour. Run by the diocesan Mission for Catechesis team and Dominican Sisters of St Joseph at St Alban's Parish Hall, Macclesfield, Sat 26 Nov, 10am-5pm. Please bring a packed lunch. To book contact lisa.martinez@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

PIETY STALL – ST COLUMBA'S:

The Piety stall is now selling Christmas cards – single, packets and boxes. If you require any special items please contact Janet McCabe on 01244 329469 who can order for you.

AUTUMN FAYRE:

If anyone has any bottles etc they would like to donate towards the Tombola at this year's Autumn Fayre, would they please leave them in the back porch at St. Columba's or the front porch at St. Theresa's. Thank you.

WARM WELCOME SPACE

There is a free, warm welcome and safe space at Holy Trinity Church Blacon on the following days:-

Monday	12 – 5pm
Thursday	2 – 5pm
Sunday	1-5pm

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

- Sunday Nov 27 Autumn Fayre St Columba's
- Sat 17 December Seniors Christmas Party St Columba's
- Friday 23 December Carol Service St Theresa's

See newsletters and notice boards for further information

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The most beautiful things in life are not things. They're people and places and memories and pictures. They're feelings and moments and smiles and laughter.

BOOK SALE:

20 Nov coffee after the service at St Columba's will be accompanied by children's / teens second handbook sale. All sales to Shelter box and Uganda Rock of Joy Trust.

ADVENT JOURNEY:

To focus our attention on Advent, could your family host a knitted Mary, Joseph and donkey for a short period of time on their travels to Bethlehem (St Theresa's crib) to arrive on 23rd December at the Carol Service? If so, please sign the list in the church porch with your name and address and contact number.

VACCINATION CENTRE -26th NOVEMBER:

There will be Vaccination Centre for COVID held at St Theresa's car park from 10.30am – 4pm.

Please note that the electronic version of the newsletter on the website may contain additional items which it has not been possible to include in the printed copy this week.

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 9.00am on **WEDNESDAY 16th NOVEMBER**
Website: www.sscolumbaandtheresa.co.uk

SHREWSBURY LOURDES HOSPITALITY:

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) followed by a general Hospitality Meetings will take place on Sunday 4th December 2022 at 2pm at St Columba's Parish Hall, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1PL. The EGM is being held to

discuss constitutional change (as discussed at the AGM) and any proposals **need to be received by no later than 14 days before the meeting**. Agenda items for the General Hospitality Meeting need to be received **no later than 7 days before the meeting**. Papers to be sent to the Hospitality Secretary. Please pass on the information to other Hospitality Members. Can you please register your attendance/apologies to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call [07451 249267](tel:07451249267)

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER:

This Sunday, November 13th sees the sixth World Day of the Poor. Pope Francis's message to us is that the Day should help us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us. "That is precisely what solidarity is: sharing the little we have with those who have nothing, so that no one will go without. The sense of community and of communion as a style of life increases and a sense of solidarity matures." and we can see how our faith is expressed in loving actions. Whether it be, for example, food for the food bank, a donation for coffee after the service, donations to a charity shop etc., every little helps.

RESOURCES:

[Budget recipes and advice](#) from the BBC, a week of easy, energy conscious recipes for £1 a portion for singles, family of 4 or 6, vegan as well as vegetarian.