



# The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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**TENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**11th JUNE 2023**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

St. Theresa's 5.00p.m. The good health of  
 Czeslawa Boryslawska  
 St. Columba's 6.30p.m. Catherine Simms

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June – The Body & Blood of Christ**

St. Theresa's 9.30a.m. Parishioners' Intentions  
 St. Columba's 11.00a.m. Harry Elwell (T.giving)

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

St. Theresa's David Wilkin RIP  
 St. Columba's 10.30a.m. Margaret Collins RIP

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June – St Anthony of Padua, P. D. Mem**

St. Theresa's Private Intention  
 St. Columba's The Parish

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

St Theresa's Priests' Intention  
 St Columba's 9.30a.m. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament  
 10.15a.m. Novena Prayers  
 10.30a.m. Arthur & Evelyn Dodd RIP

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

St. Theresa's Private Intention  
 St Columba's Keith Skinner

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June – The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

St. Theresa's 10.30am Joseph Russell RIP  
 St. Columba's Janice Kemp

**Saturday – 17<sup>th</sup> June – The Immaculate Heart of Mary**

St. Theresa 5.00p.m. Parishioners' Intentions  
 St. Columba's 6.30p.m. Priests' Intentions

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Day for Life Appeal**

St. Theresa's 9.30am Lucy Hall's Intentions  
 St. Columba's 11.00a.m. The Parish

*Please note if there is no time next to Mass it means there is no Mass for parishioners to attend that day but the Priests will say Mass privately.*

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

Please remember in your prayers Brenda Garner and Ryan Salmon. May the Lord console their families and friends.

**The funeral service for Brenda is to be held at Chester Crematorium, Blacon, on Monday 19th June at 2.00 pm.**

**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:**

Lilian Eileen Westley, Eileen Waters, Min Gannon

**LIVE STREAMING OF MASS:**

Mass will be streamed from St Columba's at 6.30apm this **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

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**THE WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:**

on behalf of the Society for the Protection Of Unborn Children (SPUC) will take place in St Columba's on 17/18 June.

Your prayers and generosity will be much appreciated.

**SPIRITAN'S MISSION APPEAL – THANK YOU:**

Thank you for your donations. The total raised was £446.57.

**PRAYING TOGETHER:**

We pray for:

- the residents of Coniston Road, The Nook, Brook Lane, Brisbane Road, Darwin Road, Chevron Hey and Chevron Close
- all who come seeking to understand more about the Christian Faith.

**OFFERTORY:**

**St Columba's:** Loose plate: **£251.81**; Planned Giving: **£81.15**; Average Weekly SO - **£574.00**; Candles: **£58.00**; Badminton £200

**St Theresa's:** Loose plate & Planned Giving: £TBC; Average weekly SO - **£161.**

THANK YOU for all your generous support.

**ST COLUMBA'S COFFEE ROTA:**

11th June - St Columba's feast day BARBECUE

18th June - Nora Howick - Soul Kitchen

25th June - volunteers please

Why not donate a little time to make tea and coffee to refresh the parishioners after 11:00 Mass on Sunday? You can make some money for your favourite charity, too. Call Margaret Curtis 01244 3184234 to book your date(s).

**SOUL KITCHEN**

Coffee and cakes after 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday 18/6/23 will be in aid of the Soul Kitchen. The Soul Kitchen was set up in Chester 7 years ago and is now a registered charity. It runs out of Campbell Hall on Saturday evenings providing food, clothing, toiletries and vital support to homeless and lonely people and those suffering from food poverty. Anyone is welcome and no one is turned away. The organisation also runs "Soul Survivors" football training to promote physical and mental well-being and a sense of belonging to a team. "Soul in a Bowl" cookery classes offer a weekly

opportunity to cook nutritious, economic meals, learn new skills and build relationships.

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THANKSGIVING MASS:**

All the children who received their First Holy Communion in May are coming together for a Parish Thanksgiving Mass this Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am. Please continue to pray for the children at this special time.

#### **SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE – FOR EVERYONE:**

There is a day of reflection, prayer and discernment about your gifts, role and mission in the Church, and to others, from 10am-5pm at St Columba's Church Hall, for all Chester parishioners. Bring a packed lunch. If you can't manage the whole day, please come for part of it. More details on the posters in the front porch.

In light of our Parish work on the Synod and making positive changes to our Parish, please do consider coming along.

#### **NHS AT ST THERESA'S: - 21<sup>st</sup> JUNE**

The NHS will be in St Theresa's car park on **21st June** for Covid booster vaccinations for anyone over 75 years of age or anyone who is immunosuppressed. Health checks are also available. This will be from 10.30am to 4pm.

#### **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR DIARIES:**

**Sun 11th June:** Annual BBQ to celebrate the feast of St Columba

**Thurs 27th July:** Coach trip to York. There's a sheet in the front of both churches to enter your name to reserve a seat. £20 a ticket, departs St Columba's at 09:00am and St Theresa's at 09:15am.

#### **ANNUAL PARISH COACH TRIP – YORK:**

The annual trip this year is to fabulous city of YORK on Thur 27<sup>th</sup> July. There's a sheet in the front of both churches to enter your name for a seat and a poster with details. Please pay your £20 before the trip to Margaret Curtis (01244 318424) at St Cs or Paul Wrigglesworth (07708 304246) at St Ts.

#### **SUMMER CONCERT:**

Chester Deo Gratias Choir will be having their summer concert on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 7.30p.m. at All Saints in Hoole Road, Chester to support two charities Reverse Rett and Fountain of Life in Kyrgyzstan. Tickets £9/£8 concessions. Free glass of wine/juice. Tel: 01244 345649 and email: [centre@allsaints.church](mailto:centre@allsaints.church).

#### **NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION:**

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#### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

Keep your face to the sun and you will never see the shadows.  
Helen Keller

#### **WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER:**

10-18 June is the [Great Big Green Week](https://greatbiggreenweek.com) (<https://greatbiggreenweek.com>), the UK's biggest celebration of community action to tackle climate change and protect nature. Every year, people come together to support action to protect the planet. People in every corner of the country celebrate the everyday actions being taken to stand up for nature and fight climate change. The Church's [Call of Creation](https://www.cbcew.org.uk/the-call-of-creation) (<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/the-call-of-creation>) work goes hand in hand with weeks such as this, where we think about our actions and look at what we might be able to do

differently in our homes, community and neighbourhoods; how sustainable our actions are and review our stewardship of the environment and our resources. What can we do differently to help?

#### **RESOURCES:**

Obtain hot and cold weather alerts from the [Met office](https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/warnings-and-advice/seasonal-advice/heat-health-alert-service) (<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/warnings-and-advice/seasonal-advice/heat-health-alert-service>) through its weather health alerting system. Complete the form on its web site, you can pick the region for which you wish to receive information and you will then receive relevant alerts.

#### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:**

Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 2:00 - 3:00PM, Retreat House Chester, 9 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU. Please arrive 5-10 minutes ahead of our beginning. To book, please go to Ticketsource page: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/retreat-house-chester>.

#### **FAIRTRADE FASHION SHOW:**

and illustrated talk and refreshments in aid of Chifundo UK, a charity supporting a Women's enterprise in Malawi making fair trade, sustainable fashion and accessories. St Davids Church, St Davids Lane, Mold. Friday 23 June 7.30pm. Tickets adult £3 under 18s £1.50. Contact Mary on 07763141556 or Cindy on 01352 758234.

#### **VACANCIES FOR UPTON-BY-CHESTER & DISTRICT**

**PARISH COUNCIL** For more information please contact the clerk on [clerk@uptonbychester.org.uk](mailto:clerk@uptonbychester.org.uk) or call 07584415343 or see the poster on the noticeboard.

#### **DIOCESAN WELFARE NURSE:**

Due to the upcoming retirement of our current RGN/Welfare Officer, the Diocese is looking to appoint a replacement. The role is for 3 days per week. Salary: £38 - £42K FTE pro rata depending on experience. For further details of the role please see the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> Completed application should be sent to Pauline McCulloch [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) Closing date 30 June 2023.

#### **HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH:**

The students have enjoyed a relaxing half-term and they are now back to school ready for the remainder of the academic year. Nonetheless, the Y11 and Y13 students have spent their holidays revising as they continue sitting exams over the next weeks. Please keep them all in your prayers.

#### **REACHING THE UNREACHED:**

Fr Arockiaraj from RTU South India is visiting Chester and is giving a talk on the work of the late Brother James Kimpton and RTU at St Werburgh's Church on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon. Everyone is welcome to attend the prayer service and talk. RTU has been one of our parish Third World Projects for many years, ever since Bro James, who was from Chester, founded the charity in 1974. The website is [www.rtu.org.uk](http://www.rtu.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](mailto: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](mailto:columbashallbookings@gmail.com) to arrange booking.

#### **NEXT WEEK'S NEWSLETTER:**

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Compiler by **9.00a.m. on WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> June**

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**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.**