



The Catholic Parish of St Columba and St Theresa



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14TH JULY 2024

Saturday 13th July

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

Sunday 14th July

St. Theresa's 9.30a.m. Bill Baker RIP
 St. Columba's 11.00a.m. Sophie Rudge & Family

Monday 15th July – St Bonaventure B, D Mem.

St Theresa's 10.30a.m. Eileen Mapp's Intentions
 Followed by Blessing of the Peace Garden

St. Columba's 10.30a.m. **MASS AT ST.THERESA'S**

Tuesday 16th July

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

Wednesday 17th July

St Theresa's Private Intention
 St Columba's 9.30a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 10.15a.m. Novena Prayers
 10.30a.m. Lynn Galloway RIP

Thursday 18th July

St. Theresa's Priests' Intentions
 St Columba's Paula Graham

Friday 19th July – St John Plessington, P, M. Mem

St. Theresa's 10.00a.m. Linda Taylor RIP
 St. Columba's. The Parish

Saturday 20th July

St. Theresa's 5.00p.m. Thomas Augustine Byrne RIP
 St Columba's 6.30p.m. Stan Llewellyn RIP

Sunday 21st July

St. Theresa's 9.30a.m. Parishioners' Intentions
 St. Columba's 11.00a.m. Jill Carter

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.

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS:

Mass will be streamed from St Theresa's at 9.30a.m. this Sunday 14th July 2024.

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APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA COLLECTION:

There will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea this week-end 13th/14th July. Please put any donations in the baskets provided in both porches. Many thanks for your generosity.

POPES PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY:

For the pastoral care of the sick- Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become

for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

BISHOP'S VISITATION:

The Bishop will visit St Theresa's on Sunday 14th July.

CONFESSIONS:

There will be Confessions after each weekday Mass until 11.30a.m.

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

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

WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS AND FUNERALS:

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Please remember in your prayers Beryl Williams, Chris Duke, Maureen Richards and Frank Brady. May the Lord console their families and friends.

Chris Jukes Funeral will take place at Our Lady's Ellesmere Port on Thursday 25th July at 12.30p.m.

Maureen Richards Requiem Service to be held at St Werburgh's 10.30am on 30th July 2024, followed by burial at Blacon Cemetery.

Frank Brady's Funeral will take place at St. Columba's on Thursday 8th August at 10.00 a.m.

ANNIVERSARIES

Evelyn Jean Catherine Broadbent, Adrienne Rosina Davis, Winifred Meakin.

PARISH OFFERTORY:

St. Columba's – (2 wks) Loose Plate: £768.43; Planned Giving £269.50p; Average weekly SO £735.00p; Candles £86.37p
 St. Theresa's - Loose Plate £174.97; Planned Giving £77.93;
 Average weekly SO £tbc.

Many thanks for your generous support.

PRAYING TOGETHER:

We pray for:

- Pray for the residents of Keswick Close, Stanton Drive, Caldly Close, Dinas Close, Tregle Close, Caernarfon Grove, Conway Grove and Beaumaris Grove.
- For the Army Chaplain and all at the Dale Camp, the work of the Armed Forces, the soldiers and their families

BLESSING OF THE PEACE GARDEN – 15th JULY:

Mass is at 10.30a.m. at St Theresa's at, not St Columba's, followed by the Blessing of the Peace Garden. All welcome.

FR DESMOND WILSON CUSP:

Our assistant parish priest Fr Desmond Wilson CSSP will be leaving at the end of August. We thank him for his services to our parish and we wish him well in his next assignment.

ST COLUMBA'S CAR PARK:

The mini sink-hole has been filled in with a temporary repair. The contractors will monitor it to see if it has stabilised before replacing the tarmac surface. Pauline Rourke

ST COLUMBA'S COFFEE ROTA

The coffee rota is on the noticeboard in St Columba's Hall. Please enter your name and good cause against your preferred dates. You could make £30-£50 for your chosen cause.

14th July - volunteers please

21st July - volunteers please

28th July - volunteers please

RED MISSION BOXES, ST COLUMBA'S

If you are a red Missio box holder, please leave your box in the sacristy for counting and pick up your emptied box, with your name on, from the table in the rear porch of St Columba's.

ANNUAL COACH TRIP TO LICHFIELD 2024

If you would like to go to Lichfield for the day for just £15.00, please enter your name on the list in the front porch of your church. Thurs 25th July, leaving St Cs at 9:00am, St Ts 9:15am, more info on posters.

Please pay Margaret Curtis 01244 318424 for St Columba's and Paul & Alison for St Theresa's.

PARISH ADMINISRATOR ST COLUMBA'S:

We are very pleased to welcome Magdalena Bukowska to this post. She will work alongside Carol Galvin from Monday 15 July until Wednesday 31 July when Carol retires and Magdalena will assume full responsibility.

Pauline Rourke

PARISH WEBSITE:

www.sscolumbaandtheresa.co.uk

Our parish website is being developed to include more photos and news from both churches. There will be a complete renewal of information about the parish and information which it is hoped will be helpful. Please do check it out. There is an email address on the site for any comments you may have.

If you are **NEW TO THE PARISH**, you will find a new Parish Registration Form to be completed and sent to either parish office to let us know that you are here and enable us to welcome you to the parish. The form can be completed and submitted online or downloaded and printed out. Instructions are on the form, which can also be found in the front porches of both churches. You will find it on the Our Parish tab, under Welcome (side option Welcome).

Lyn Coyle, Welcome to our parish group

LOURDES BY JUMBULANCE:

The Chester Across Group are going to Lourdes by Jumbulance from Thursday 15th to Saturday 24th August. We travel overland in an adapted coach, which has seven beds on board. Therefore, we can take some sick or disabled pilgrims and so far we have a Doctor and two nurses and several helpers. However, we need two more helpers and there is a place for someone who is sick or disabled. The cost is £1,095 but help with costs is available. Current Passport required. Travel Insurance is available for just £65. Search our website for an example of our care. <http://www.across.org.uk/?s=AJ> For more information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 or email tonymurphyfc2002@yahoo.co.uk

YOUTH GROUP:

The next youth group meeting will be on Monday 15th July, 7pm start, finish 8.30pm at St. Columba's. Any young parishioner, Year 5 or above, is very welcome to come along for the last meeting before the summer holidays.

SVP:

The St Vincent Centre in Birkenhead needs good quality pre-loved children's clothes for their Clothes Bank. Boys & girls and ages 0-18 years old. If you have any you are able to donate please speak to Sue McCarthy 07515 491251 or any member of the SVP. Thank you.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK- "I believe in angels, something good in everything I see" ABBA

LEPRA:

Many thanks for the generous amount of £531.70 which was donated by the parish last weekend.

ST COLUMBA'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY:

This will be in September. This is an opportunity to update the archives with events that have happened in the past 60 years. If anyone has any pictures/newspaper items/memorabilia relating to the Parish during this time, it would be very helpful. Items can either be handed in to Parish Office or left in Sacristy for my attention. Please include your contact details. Thanks Sue Carr, Tel: 07553 114531.

FREE WARTIME BIOGRAPHIES:

A lady from St Werburgh's Church visited St. Columba's. She brought in a book called "We Shall Remember Them" – Biographies of men associated with St. Werburgh's Church" Apparently there is a misprint in them and are being given away for free. For details contact Annmarie Curtis 01244 851717. Copy in St. Columba's front porch.

ST COLUMBA'S CHURCH & HALL BOOKINGS

To arrange meetings etc. in either the Church, Newman Room or the Iona Chapel, please book through Carol Galvin, St. Columba's Church Office

Phone: 01244 624019

Email: stcolumbaschurch2016@outlook.com

Office hours Monday to Friday 8.30a.m. to 12.30p.m.

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:

21st July edition will be compiled by Amy O'Donnell
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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 JULY 2024**

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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.