

#### Foreword

Dear Parishioners of St Werburgh's,

Welcome to our Parish Diary for the next eleven months. We are all very excited to be welcoming our new Parish Priest, Fr David, in October and we know that he will bring a wealth of new ideas to this wonderful Parish.

So, to help him, we have done a fairly full diary up to Christmas so that he can see what goes on where and when, but we have left it more flexible from New Year onwards as he begins to introduce his own way of doing things, and we are sure he will have plenty of new exciting ideas.

Let's give him a Wonderful Werbies Welcome.

God bless you all.

F. Paul

Picture Credits:

Parish Pilgrimage to Holywell, Saturday 28th June to Sunday 29th June.

Front Cover: Striding through the fields, on our way to Holywell. Back Cover: Leaving Chester at the start of the walk, along the Canal bank.

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#### 1. 150<sup>th</sup> Celebrations

#### a. Parish Meal

We are having a 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thanksgiving Celebration on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7:00 PM. The venue is the Catholic High School.

#### b. Planning Meetings

All meetings take place at 7:30 pm in Parish House

- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025 (Final Planning Meeting)

#### 2. Altar Servers

Interested in becoming an Altar Server?

Contact Gerry Tighe for information Tel: 01244 319353 or email g.tighe@btinternet.com

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2025 10:00 am St Stephen's Day Mass Enrolment of new altar servers into the Guild of St Stephen

#### Annual Parish Social

Everyone is invited to join us down at the Parish Centre, Brook Street, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 7.00 pm

### 4. Bereavement & Loss Group

This group will meet on the second Wednesday of the month from 1:15 pm to 2:45 pm in the Day Chapel, starting on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

### 5. Catholic High School, Masses, Services and Other Events

As well as the High School Masses, Services and events listed in the table below, there will be lunchtime Masses, every Friday at 1:05 pm, starting on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 at the Catholic High School.

Date	Time	Mass	Venue
Thur. 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	8:50 am	Start of Year Mass	CHS Hall
Thur. 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	10:00 am	Start of Year Mass	CHS Hall
Thur. 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	11:15 am	Start of Year Mass	CHS Hall
Fri. 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025 1:05 pm		Recurring Lunchtime	CHS Chapel
		School Mass	
Thur. 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	2:00 pm	Year 7 Welcome Mass	CHS Hall
Fri. 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	1:40 pm	Voluntary Penitential	CHS Chapel
		Service & Confessions	

Date	Time	Mass	Venue
Tue. 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	6:30 pm	CHS Carol Service	CHS Hall
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 2026	11:00 am	Youth SVP Annual Mass	CHS Hall
Tue 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar. 2026	9:00 am to 12:00 noon	Reconciliation Service & Confessions	3 Services in the CHS Hall
Thur. 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	6:30 pm	Year 13 Leavers Mass	CHS 6 <sup>th</sup> form
			Lyceum (See note)
Thur. 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	2:00 pm	Year 11 Leavers Mass	CHS 6 <sup>th</sup> form
			Lyceum (See note)
Fri. 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	1:40 pm	Voluntary Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	CHS Chapel
Wed. 1st July 2026	6:00 pm	Holy Reunion Mass	CHS 6 <sup>th</sup> form Lyceum
21st July 2026	9.45 am	End of Academic Year Mass	CHS Sports Hall

Please note, the date and time for the Leavers Mass is dependent on exam dates, which will not be released till next year. Therefore, the date for the Leavers Mass may change.

### 6. Concerts and Workshops

The following concerts and Workshops will all take place in St Werburgh's Church

Date	Time	Event
Sat. 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep. 2025	12:30 pm	Syd Jones Memorial Workshop
Tue. 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	7:45 pm	Cathedral Nave Choir Evening Concert
Sat. 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	3:00 pm	Chester Bach Singers Concert
Sat. 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar. 2026	3:00 pm	Chester Bach Singers Concert

### 7. Drop In Socials

For anyone who would like to meet more people in the Parish, and especially for our newer arrivals. All on Friday from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Day Chapel.

- 26<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026
- 24th July 2026

#### 8. Ecumenical Events

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Wed. 1st Oct 2025			Start of Bible Month

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Wed. 1st Oct 2025	1:00 pm	Chester	Purgatory Project Symposium - a 2-
to		Cathedral	day conference
Thur. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2025			
Wed. 1st Oct 2025	6:30 pm	Chester	Purgatory Project Symposium
		Cathedral -	Dinner
		Café 1092	
Sun. 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2025			Bible Sunday
Sun. 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan to			Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
Sun. 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026			Services for this week will be
			announced in the newsletter.
Fri. 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2026	10:30	St John's	(Women's) World Day of Prayer
	am	Church,	Service
		Chester	

### 9. Finance Committee

All meetings in the Parish House

- 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 10:00 am
- 21st October 2025 10:00 am
- 25<sup>th</sup> November 2025 10:00 am
- 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025 9:30 am

## 10. First Sacraments Programme 2025 to 2026 (Parish Group)

### a. The Sacrament of Forgiveness

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Tue. 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep. 2025	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Introductory meeting just for parents whose children are not at our Primary School.
Tue. 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct. 2025	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Meeting for parents and children not at our Primary School.
Mon. 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	7:00 pm	St Werburgh's & St Columba's Catholic Primary School (Lightfoot Street, Hoole, Chester, CH2 EAD).	Baptismal Service and Introductory meeting for all Parents.
Sat. 22nd Nov. 2025	10:00 am	St Werburgh's Church	Enrolment Mass for all children and their families.
Tue. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2025	6.30 pm	St Werburgh's Church.	Meeting for parents and children not at our Primary School.

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Mon. 12 <sup>th.</sup> Jan. 2026	7:00 pm	St Werburgh's & St Columba's Catholic Primary School. (Lightfoot Street, Hoole, Chester, CH2 EAD).	Meeting for all parents: The Sacrament of Forgiveness
Tue. 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church.	Meeting for parents and children not at our Primary School.
Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026	10:00 am and 11:00 am	St Werburgh's Church.	First Forgiveness Celebrations. Families will be notified about the Celebration their child/children will attend nearer the time.

# b. The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Date	Time		Location			
Tue. 3rd	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Meeting for parents and children			
Feb. 2026			not at our Primary School.			
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7:00 pm	St Werburgh's & St	Meeting for all parents.			
Mar. 2026		Columba's Catholic	First Holy Communion Information			
		Primary School,	Evening.			
		(Lightfoot St, Hoole,				
		Chester. CH2 3AD)				
Mon. 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Commentary Mass for all children			
Mar. 2026			and their families.			
Tue. 17 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Meeting for parents and children			
Mar. 2026			not at our Primary School.			
Tue. 28 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	St Werburgh's Church	Meeting for parents and children			
Apr. 2026			not at our Primary School.			
First Holy Co	ommunions v	will take place on Sature	day 9 <sup>th</sup> May and Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May			
at 11:00 am	at 11:00 am. Families will be notified about the Celebration their child/children					
will be attending nearer the time.						
Sun. 7 <sup>th</sup>	10:45 am	St Werburgh's Church	Parish First Holy Communion			
Jun. 2026			Celebration Mass for all the First			
			Holy Communion children.			
Wed. 1st	6:00 pm	The Catholic High	Holy Reunion Mass			
Jul. 2026		School Chester.				

#### 11. Heritage/History Group Events

#### a. National Open Days

Heritage Open Doors Festival - Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025. The Church will be open each day from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm with displays on boards in the main church.

#### b. Heritage/History Talks

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Church. A talk to accompany the Heritage Open Doors Festival.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 1:00 to 3:00 pm . Aleta Doran will be giving a presentation and answering questions about the stained-glass window artist Trena Cox whose windows are in St Werburgh Church.

#### c. History Group Meetings

The History Group meet regularly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from October 2025 to July 2026.

#### d. Chester Heritage Festival

The dates for the Chester Heritage Festival for 2026 have not yet been announced, but this normally takes place the first two weeks in June. The Church is usually open each afternoon during this period together with a talk one or two of the afternoons. The exact dates will be announced in the newsletter.

### 12. Holydays and Feast Days

#### a. Holydays of Obligation

Date	Holyday of Obligation
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov. 2025	All Saints
Thur. 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	The Birth of Our Lord
Tue. 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026	Epiphany
Thur. 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Ascension
Sun. 7 <sup>th</sup> Jun. 2026	Corpus Christi
Sun. 28 <sup>th</sup> Jun. 2026	SS Peter and Paul
Sun. 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug. 2026	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

#### b. Feast Days

Date	Feast Day
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov. 2025	All Souls
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2026	Ash Wednesday
Sun. 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr. 2026	Easter Sunday
Sun. 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Pentecost

#### 13. Hospital Masses

See newsletter for dates

#### 14. House Masses

See newsletter for dates

#### 15. Lent Devotions

Friday 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

(Church will remain open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9.00 pm)

- 20th February 2026
- 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### 16. Liturgy Group

All welcome. Thursday 7.30 pm Parish House (Following choir practice)

16<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Planning meeting and Music Review

20<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Christmas Planning

19th February 2026 Christmas Review & Easter Planning

21st May 2026 Easter Review

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026 Open Meeting & Shared Table

### 17. Music Ministry

We have a Hymn Planning Committee and three Music Groups within our Parish. Come and join us. Contact <a href="mailto:music@stwerburghchester.co.uk">music@stwerburghchester.co.uk</a>

#### a. Hymn Planning Committee

Our Hymn planning committee meetings are Thursday 7:30 pm

- 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- 16<sup>th</sup> April 2026
- 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

#### b. Choir

Our choir is open to all, and we support the 9.00 am Mass and Feast Days.

We practise every Thursday 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm at St Werburgh's Church

1<sup>st</sup> Trimester:

11<sup>th</sup> Sep. 2025 to 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025

2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester:

 $8^{th}$  Jan. 2026 to  $31^{st}$  Mar. 2026 - Extra Tue. practise during Holy Week  $3^{rd}$  Trimester:

16<sup>th</sup> April 2026 to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

#### c. Music Group

All musicians and singers are welcome. We lead the 10.45 am Mass, usually the  $3^{rd}$  Sunday of the month.

#### i. Music Group Sundays

- 21st September 2025
- 19<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026,
- 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026,
- 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026,
- 18<sup>th</sup> April 2026,
- 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026,
- 21st June 2026.

# ii. Music Group Rehearsals (Sunday 10:00 am to 10:30 am in the Day Chapel)

- 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025
- 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026
- 8<sup>th</sup> February 2026
- 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026
- 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2026

#### d. Youth Mass

Celebrating the young people in our parish.

- 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT
- 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025: Solemnity of Christ the King

• 1st February 2026: 4th Sunday in OT

• 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026: Palm Sunday

• 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026: Pentecost

• 12th July 2026: 15th Sunday in OT

#### 18. November Month of the Holy Souls

See newsletter for details.

#### 19. Parish Council

Thursday 7.00 pm Parish House

- 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025
- 6<sup>th</sup> November 2025
- 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025

#### 20. Parish Talks

Dr Anna French from the University of Liverpool will come to St Werburgh's Church on Thursday 11th September at 7:30 PM to give a talk on the context of the Reformation and the challenges that the Catholic communities in this area faced at that time and in the years beyond. She will explain some of the developments that allowed a confident Catholic Community to build a church like St Werburgh's in 1875.

### 21. Prayer Groups

Prayer groups are organised by Lyn Williams ( <a href="litturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk">liturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk</a>)

Dates and Times are listed in the table below. There will be seasonal breaks with each of the Prayer Group timetables for Easter / Christmas and Summer

Prayer Group	Date and Time	Contact	
Zoom Prayer Group	Alternate weeks	Lyn Williams	
	Friday 7:30 pm	liturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk	
	Starting 5/9/2025		
Jesus Young Adult Prayer	Monthly -	Nithin Munnapalkunnel	
Group (18+)	Friday 6:30 pm.	liturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk	
	First Friday of the		
	Month.		
Dementia Prayer Group	Alternate weeks -	Lyn Williams	
	Thursday 10:45	liturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk	
	am. Starting		
	4/9/2025		

Prayer Group	Date and Time	Contact
St Werburgh's Prayer	Alternate weeks -	Lyn Williams
Group	Friday 10:45 am -	liturgy@stwerburghchester.co.uk
	Starting 19/09/25	

#### 22. Readers

#### a. Review / Refresher Sessions

Every Reader, including those from Rowton, must attend one of the two sessions held in the Parish House. Dates and Times for these will appear in the Newsletter early in the new year.

#### b. Holy Week Readers Meeting

Note: if you volunteer to read during Holy Week, you must attend this meeting. Date and Time for this readers meeting will appear in the Newsletter.

### 23. Remembrance Day – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them"

### 24. Residential Nursing Homes Ecumenical Services

At present, we have regular monthly services in many of our Parish care homes. In addition, we do special services for Christmas and Remembrance Day in Grosvenor Villas (Lightfoot Street), Oaklands (Littleton) and Birch Heath (Christleton).

This year, our programme of Services to all our care homes is listed below:

	Date	Time	Venue	
1	Mon. 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	2:30 pm	Oaklands Care Home	
2	Mon. 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	11:00 am	Pinetum Nursing Home	
3	Wed. 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	11:00 am	Grosvenor Villas - Lavender Villa	
4	Mon. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept. 2025	11:00 am	Crabwall Hall	
5	Wed. 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	11:00 am	Grosvenor Manor	
6	Thur. 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	2:30 pm	Belong Care Home	
7	Mon. 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	2:30 pm	Oaklands Care Home	
8	Wed. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct. 2025	11:00 am	Grosvenor Manor	
9	Mon. 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	11:00 am	Crabwall Hall	
10	Thur. 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	2:30 pm	Belong Care Home	
11	Mon. 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	2:30 pm	Oaklands Care Home	
12	Tue. 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	10:30 am	Grosvenor Villas - Lavender Villa	
			(Remembrance Day Service)	
13	Mon. 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	11:00 am	Crabwall Hall	
14	Wed. 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	11:00 am	Grosvenor Manor	
15	Thur. 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2025	2:30 pm	Belong Care Home	

	Date	Time	Venue
16	Mon. 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	2:30 pm	Oaklands Care Home
17	Wed. 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	11:00 am	Grosvenor Manor
18	Mon. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. 2025	11:00 am	Crabwall Hall

#### 25. Safeguarding

Safeguarding involves measures to protect the health, well-being, and human rights of individuals, which allow people, especially children, young people, and vulnerable adults, to live free from abuse, harm, and neglect. Shrewsbury Diocese and St Werburgh's Parish Chester are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church, and of this Parish.

#### a. Safeguarding Training

 $22^{nd}$  September 2025 - 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm - Training in the Day Chapel  $13^{th}$  January 2026 - 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm - Training in the Day Chapel

#### b. National Safeguarding Sunday

16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - Safeguarding Sunday

#### c. Parish Update

 $15^{th}$  and  $16^{th}$  November 2025 - A Safeguarding presentation will replace the Homily at all Masses

#### d. Safeguarding Representatives

Liz Aiello: Tel. 07813-743723 Chris Proudfoot: Tel. 07711-495070

Email: safeguarding@stwerburghchester.co.uk

### 26. Second / Special Collections

We are committed to only 8 second collections in any one year: 2 for SVP, 2 for seasonal flowers, 1 for church students, 1 for retired priests, and the annual mission appeal.

#### a. SVP Second Collections

SVP Winter Second Collection (all Masses) - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025 SVP Summer Second Collection (all Masses) - Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

#### b. Seasonal Flowers Collections

Christmas Flowers Collection & Easter Flowers Collection

#### c. Church Students and Retired Priests Collection

Clergy Education & Training Fund

### Retired Priests' Fund

### d. Caritas & Annual Mission Appeal

Christmastide Crib Collection for Caritas Annual Mission Appeal

### 27. Social

Dates will appear in the Newsletter for Parish Walks, Trips and other Social events.

# 28. St Vincent De Paul Society

Date & Time	Time	Event/Occasion	Venue
Sun. 21st Sept. 2025	2:45 pm	SVP Welcome Mass	Church
Wed. 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 2025	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Sun. 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	1:30 pm	SVP HH Sponsored	Chester
		Walk	
Wed. 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 2025	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Tue. 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	10:30 am	Remembrance Service	Grosvenor Villas
Sat. 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	2:00 pm	District Winter Afternoon Tea	St Columba Hall
Wed. 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Sat. 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2025	10:30 am	Reconciliation Service	Church
Wed. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2025	2:00 pm	Catholic High School Tea	Catholic High School
Sun. 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	all Masses	SVP Winter 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	Church
Tue. 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	11:00 am	Carol Singing	Grosvenor Villas
Tue. 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec. 2025	2:30 pm	Carol Singing	Oaklands Care Home
Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026	12:30 pm	Festive Lunch	St Mary's Church,
	- 3:30 pm		Handbridge
Wed. 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Sun. 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2026	2:30 pm	Healing Mass	Church
Thur. 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2026	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Celia Murphy Award	Catholic High School
Wed. 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Thur. 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	7:30 pm	HH Theatre Night Shakespeare in Love	Gladstone Theatre
Sat. March 14 <sup>th</sup> 2026	10:30 am - 12:00 noon	Reconciliation Service	Church
Sun. 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	all Masses	SVP Pulpit Address	Church
Thur. March 19 <sup>th</sup> 2026	2:00 pm	Catholic High School	Catholic High School
	•	Spring Tea	
Wed. March 25 <sup>th</sup> 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Wed. April 29 <sup>th</sup> 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House

Date & Time	Time	Event/Occasion	Venue
Sun. May 10 <sup>th</sup> 2026	2:30 pm	Spring Welcome Mass	Church
Sun. May 17 <sup>th</sup> 2026	n/a	Annual Report	Church
Sun. May 17 <sup>th</sup> 2026	all Masses	SVP Summer 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Church
		Collection	
Wed. May 27 <sup>th</sup> 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Meeting	Parish House
Sun. June 14 <sup>th</sup> 2026	2:00 pm -	District Afternoon Tea	St Columbo Hall
	3:30 pm		
Wed. June 24 <sup>th</sup> 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Monthly Meeting	Parish House
Wed. July 8 <sup>th</sup> 2026	12:30 pm	Summer Lunch	Rossett Hall
Fri. July 17 <sup>th</sup> 2026	7:30 pm	HH Music Night	Catholic High School
Wed July 29 <sup>th</sup> 2026	6:00 pm	SVP Monthly Meeting	Church

### 29. Sycamore Course

An informal six session course about the Christian faith, and its relevance for life today. All welcome. Please email <a href="mailto:admin@stwerburghchester.co.uk">admin@stwerburghchester.co.uk</a> to confirm attendance.

All six sessions take place at 7:30 pm in the Church.

Meeting 1: 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025
Meeting 2: 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025
Meeting 3: 8<sup>th</sup> October 2025
Meeting 4: 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025
Meeting 5: 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025
Meeting 6: 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025

### 30. University of Chester Catholic Society (CathSoc)

Sundays during term-time after 6.00 pm Mass at Parish House Starts Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September. All students welcome.

### a. Autumn Term 2025 Events (provisional)

Please refer to our weekly newsletter for the details of upcoming CathSoc events. These will take place on the following dates:

28<sup>th</sup> September 2025, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

### 31. University of Chester Lunchtime Mass

University Chapel - Mondays 1.10 pm September 2025 to June 2026 excluding Bank Holidays Starts Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025. Last Mass Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026. All Welcome.

### 32. Web Team Meetings

6.30 pm Parish House

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

### 33. Welcome Wednesdays

Most Wednesdays 10:00 am - 12:00 noon St Werburgh's Day Chapel.

10<sup>th</sup> September to 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025 7<sup>th</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 15<sup>th</sup> April to 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Come just for tea, coffee and a chat. Come for company. Join in crafts and games. Enjoy fortnightly talks and demonstrations

"Come when you can, leave when you want". All Welcome.

### For further information about St Werburgh's Church visit our website at:

https://www.stwerburghchester.co.uk

Here you will find more about our faith and our church

Our website also contains useful information to help you plan and organise a baptism, wedding or funeral and our weekly newsletter with details of all Mass and Service times.

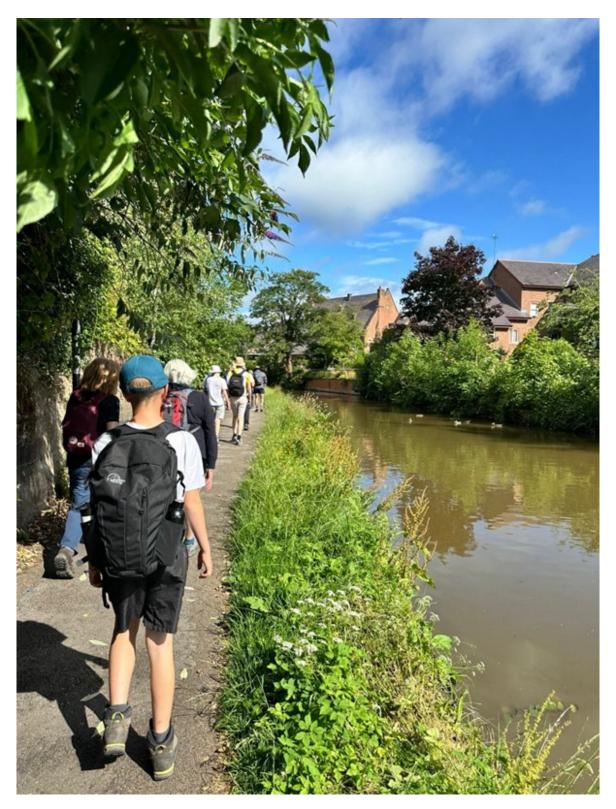
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# Next Diary

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If you have dates you would like to include, please get them to us in plenty of time.



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