# THE PARISH CHURCH OF

# SAINT COLUMBA, ANFIELD



'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'

# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2025

We extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship today and especially to those who may be worshipping with us for the first time. St Columba's is an Anglican parish firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition. We strive to be Missionary Disciples who point others to Jesus Christ. Our worship is focussed on the presence and beauty of God – it is our prayer that you encounter Him here, today.

#### **After Mass**

We hope that you will be able to stay for some refreshments and a chance to meet new friends.

## We try to be a child-friendly Church.

Please don't worry if your baby cries during the service, that's natural and it's what babies do. We run a Sunday School, 'Columba's Crew' on most Sundays, and your child is most welcome to participate. All our leaders are DBS checked. Should you wish to take your baby or a restless child out during the service, please feel free. At the back of church we have a selection of colouring/activity sheets and books for babies and small children.

#### About our Readings...

Every year the Church recalls the example, witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. Today's gospel is Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. We quickly note in this reading that none of those Jesus names as "blessed" or "happy" are expected . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness. What does Jesus mean when he uses the word "blessed?" This word is sometimes translated as "happy" or "fortunate" or "favoured." In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favour is upon those who are poor, who mourn, who are persecuted. This might have been welcome and surprising news to the crowds who heard Jesus that day. The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Because of this, it is natural that we proclaim this Gospel on the Feast of All Saints. Saints are people who lived the spirit of the Beatitudes as Jesus lived. On this day, we too are challenged to model our lives on the spirit and promises of the Beatitudes.

# Who's who

#### The Vicar:

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# Parish Organist:

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# The Honorary Assistant Priest:

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#### **Churchwardens:**

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#### Parish Reader:

Mr Adrian Manson



Please inform one of the clergy at any time of those who require the Last Rites of the Church.

#### Food Pantry - Columba's Kitchen

Setup: 6th November, 11.30 am

#### Columba's Kids - Toddler Group

Resumes this Tuesday at 9.30 am

#### **Family Mass**

Sunday 9th November, 4.00 pm.

# St Paul's Chapel/outside Lady Chapel

Following a collapse in the ceiling, the architect has advised that, until the plasterwork is completely removed, people to do not use this area for prayer. Please avoid it, and when returning to your seat after Communion, please do so quickly as more plaster may fall. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Charity Boxes**

Can you return your Leprosy Mission & Children's Society boxes, to Adrian, please. Thank you.

### The Flowers in Church...

Have been donated by Irene Taylor and family on what would have been George's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. May he rest in peace.

# We're hosting warm hub with LCC

Once a month, beginning Wed, noon

#### The Carpet in the Hall

Has been professionally cleaned, please take extra care when eating and drinking and please use the plates provided for food. Thank you.

#### The Christmas Fair...

takes place on Saturday 29th Nov.

#### **Bottles**

We have a month to go before the Christmas fair. If you could please start to bring bottles to church that would be apricated, thank you!

#### **Christmas Raffle Tickets**

Are available today! Please see Irene Campbell after the Masses.

## Liturgical Dates in Advance

All Souls Memorial Service (for those who we have conducted funerals for in the last twelve months), Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 4.00 pm.

Requiem Mass for all the departed, Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 7.00 pm.

A list for names is available at the back of Church..

#### The PCC meets on...

Sunday 9th Nov at 12.15 pm

#### **Services & Activities**

#### This week

| Day                                | Mass                  | Other Services/Activities |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November    | Mass, 9.00 am         | All Souls Memorial,       |
| All Saints                         | Parish Mass, 10.30 am | 4.00 pm                   |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November    | Mass, 7.00 pm         |                           |
| All Souls                          |                       |                           |
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November,  | Mass, 7.00 pm         | The Chosen, 7.30 pm       |
| Feria                              |                       |                           |
| Wednesday 5th November             | Mass, 10.00 am        | Bible Study, 10.30 am     |
| Feria                              |                       | Warm Hub, 12 noon         |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November | Mass, 10.00 am        | Columba's Kitchen Setup,  |
| Feria                              |                       | 11.30 am.                 |
| Friday 31st November               |                       | Columba's Kitchen,        |
| Feria                              |                       | 9.30 am.                  |
| Sunday 9th November                | Mass, 9.00 am         | PCC Meeting, 12.15 pm     |
| Remembrance Sunday                 | Parish Mass, 10.30 am |                           |
|                                    | Family Mass, 4.00 pm  |                           |

# Please pray for:

**The sick:** Ellie, Sophie Leavesley, Jo Todd, Margaret Brooks, Derek Smith, Fr Ray Bridson, Robert Louie Jones, Joanne Robinson, Angela Manning, Roger Johnson, Eileen Robertson, Mark Wilson, Cath Robinson, Jean Gibson, Barbara Lightfoot, Jennifer Dowds, Pam Smith, John James Smith, Vicky Goldie, Brian Tarte, Pauline Skinner, Paige Sophia Afellat, Gladys Jump, Joanne Kerr, Jeff Manson, Irene Jeynes, Margaret Mousley, HM The King and HRH The Princess of Wales.

Recently Departed: Ken Carver, Andy Smith, Lois Waters & Alan.

Anniversary of Death: Joan Bell, Frederick Owens, Nell Hagar, Ellen Lane, Marjorie Garside, Mim Jones, Rusty Graves, George Gregson, Elizabeth Parry, Noel Alexander, Barbara Martin, Dorris Morris, Lucy Wynne, Marie Mumford, Helen Corner & John Stow.