



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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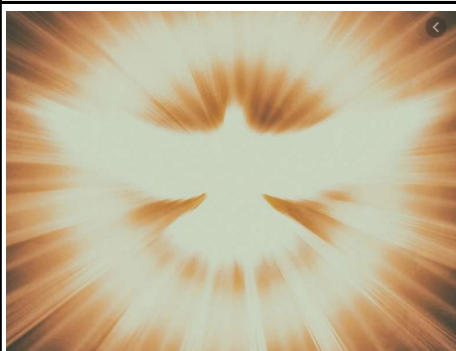
Psalter Week I 31st May 2020

PENTECOST

Year of The Word

JUNE IS DEDICATED TO 'THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS'

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Consider the action of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer and of the Church: How beautiful is the thought that the Holy Spirit lives within us! Saint Paul reminds the Corinthian community of this fact when he asks, "*Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?*" (1 Cor 3:16) It is the Holy Spirit who develops our intimacy with God. "*God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts crying, 'Abba! (Father!)*" (Gal 4:6). "*God's love has been poured into our hearts by the*

Holy Spirit Who has been given to us" (Rom 5:5). "*No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit*" (1 Cor 12:3). Moreover, we know that it is the Holy Spirit Who teaches us to pray (Rom 8:26). By the power of the Spirit, we also know the Lord Jesus through his Church. Pentecost Sunday is the birthday of the Church. It is the Holy Spirit who enlivens, enlightens, guides, and sanctifies the Church. *Vatican News*

PENTECOST NATIONAL ROSARY RALLY England Scotland & Wales

St Clare's Parish Rosary will take place by 'Zoom' meeting as usual but at 2pm not 6pm because for the Pentecost National Rosary relay Rally, as 2 pm -3 pm has been allocated to Shrewsbury Diocese

Pope Francis has urged all Catholics to pray the Rosary in their homes during the month of May, especially when the pandemic is making us aware of the value of our family and home life and making it possible for us to pray together in lockdown at home.

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham have responded to the Holy Father's call by inviting us to join this national 'relay rally', where every diocese is given a one-hour slot. The Faithful of that diocese are asked to pray the Rosary at home. Between 9am and 9pm the Faithful of every diocese will have offered their rosaries and the combined prayers offered to Heaven as a gift of faith, hope and trust in God, beseeching healing for our nation. Join us tomorrow through this link: Meeting ID: 889 7483 4532 Password: 922085 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88974834532>

YEAR OF THE WORD

....in order to keep the Gospel forever whole and alive within the Church, the Apostles left bishops as their successors, "handing over" to them "the authority to teach in their own place." (3) This sacred tradition, therefore, and Sacred Scripture of both the Old and New Testaments are like a mirror in which the pilgrim Church on earth looks at God, from whom she has received everything, until she is brought finally to see Him as He is, face to face (see 1 John 3:2) *Dei Verbum 7*

Our sick, elderly, housebound and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. New names are in Bold Type. Please remember to pray for them each day as they carry their cross ,

Dot Bell, Veronica Creaney, W. Downes, Mary Frain, David Gardiner, Michelle Gentile, Katie Gray, Gwyn Harris, Lorna Jarvis, Judy Kearney, Ann Leach, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Kevin McCarthy, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: John's recovery

Monday: Kieron Prendergast

Tuesday: Parishioners

Wednesday: Paul Prendergast

If you wish for a Mass to be offered contact Fr. Emeka with the intention attached.

Thursday: Health workers

Friday: For the sick

Saturday: Jude Prendergast

PRAYERS PLEASE

For John on ventilator with Covid 19

HELP PLEASE

The Parish council were told we are only reaching 63 families with our mails . Please if anyone is aware of anyone else who would welcome email and will provide their details. please give your email to:

patriddell31@aol.com

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS JUNE

Evangelisation:

That all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the heart of Jesus

PARISH COUNCIL ITEMS

Preparing for the reopening of Churches:-There will be a 2 stage opening of churches ie stage 1 is opening for private prayer and stage 2 is opening for Masses etc; each Church has to nominate a Covid 19 Safety Lead and stewards facilitating the opening. Such volunteers will be provided with training in public health requirements. **Volunteers will be needed to fulfil the various roles.** Given the Church will have to have stewards available each time it opens, this will largely dictate when and how long the Church can open. Thoughts at this stage that it would open perhaps on a Sunday for private prayer – the most common non-working day- this would then lead into the opening of Churches for Masses;

The Diamond Jubilee preparations:-only potentially viable event this year is the Jubilee Mass on the 8th December to be attended by Bishop Mark.

Help needed Anyone with good IT skills to help out on website contact Fr Emeka or George

***** Full minutes of the meeting to be sent to all through email.

ROSARY CORNER

"Those who say the Rosary frequently and fervently will gradually grow in grace and holiness and will enjoy the special protection of Our Lady and the abiding friendship of God." -Bishop Hugh Boyle

ST CLARE'S SVP



Our conference meeting this week had a spiritual reading entitled "Just for the Love of it". The SVP is a caring service in many ways as Jesus cared, but he also spent time for prayer. Both caring and prayer have a deeper reason than service and that is love. We pray because we love and we care because we love, and the more we care the deeper our love grows. It's not practical but necessary.

At this time of lockdown, we often cannot physically be with those we care for but we can still love them and that's what we do and we show that in the contact we make however tenuous. Take care all this week and develop your love. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

The school has been closed this week for mid term

