

# St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week I 18th October 2020 Year of The Word

October is dedicated to Holy Rosary

TWENTYNINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (WORLD MISSION SUNDAY)

## **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Please note that as from next week 24th October the **Saturday** evening drive in **Mass will move to 4pm** until further notice

Father Emeka would like to know if there was any interest in an additional Sunday drive in Mass at 3pm? Please pass your thoughts to Father as above or Pat Riddell on: patriddell31@aol.com,N.B collection for Mission Sunday is next week

# WEEKLY MASSES

Sat 17th 6.00pm, Drive in vigil Mass

Sun 18th 9.30 am Mass

Mon 19th Private Mass St Peter of Alcantara

Tues 20th Private Mass Ferial

Wed 21st 9.30 am Mass Ferial

Thurs 22nd Private Mass *St John Paul II* Fri 23rd Private Mass *St John Capestrano* 

Sat 24th 4.00pm, Drive in vigil Mass

Sun 25th 9.30 am Mass

The drive in Masses are an opportunity for the sick or elderly or anyone else to stay in their car if they so wish.

## **INTENTIONS**

**Derek & Theresa Stanley** 

Adam Jude

Eamonn Private Intention

Our Parish Family
Our Parish Family

John Murphy

John Thompson RIP

## **CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays 11.00 am - 11.40 am, or call the parish to book at any time.

## HAVING TROUBLE PRAYING?

These thought provoking words by St Teresa of Avila appeared in last weeks Wednesday prayer sent out by email .Contact Pat Riddell to get on the list: patriddell31@aol.com

"Over a period of several years, I was more occupied in wishing my hour of prayer were over, and in listening whenever the clock struck, than in thinking of things that were good. Again and again I would rather have done any severe penance that might have been give me than practise recollection as a preliminary to prayer. Whenever I entered the oratory I used to feel so depressed that I had to summon up all my courage to make myself pray at all".

## "A TIME FOR CAUTION AND VIGILANCE

Bishop Mark writes: "In the past week we have seen most areas of our Diocese move into the two highest tiers of public health restrictions. These measures have not as yet involved any new requirements for places of worship; however, they do naturally invite us to increased caution and vigilance in our implementation of the Covid safety measures developed and refined over these past three month. I hope all the measures you have so effectively put in place since the summer will enable us to keep our churches open as among the safest places in society."

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, Michelle Gentile, Katie Gray, Gwyn Harris, Lorna Jarvis, Judy Kearney, Ann Leach, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Kevin McCarthy, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Mark Wilson.

#### **MASS BOOK**

For those who follow the Sunday Mass at home via livestream, we have the old Sunday Missal books for the Readings. If anyone would like to have the books to follow the readings please let us know and we will arrange to get them to you. We will of course make sure they are very clean!

**NOVEMBER DEAD LIST** Envelopes are available at the entrance of the Church or ask a steward

#### PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS

Pope Francis has written in his Apostolic Letter "Admirable Signum" (1st December 2019) "the beautiful tradition of preparing the Nativity scene in the days before Christmas, ... It is my hope that this custom will never be lost and that, wherever it has fallen into disuse, it can be discovered and revived We might think of those who are self-isolating; encourage cribs in family homes; set up of cribs outside churches"

#### PLEASE REMEMBER

Bishop Mark has asked for a year of prayer to entrust the Diocese to Saint Joseph and the recovery of all the communities of from these testing times

# ROSARY CORNER

How beautiful is the family that recites the Rosary every evening!~St. John Paul II

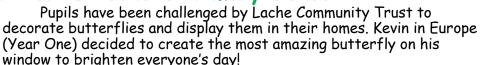


#### ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

Our conference zoom meeting the other Monday had a spiritual reading entitled "Its Just the Way I am". In essence it concerns individual responsibility and our freedom which requires that responsibility. We cannot avoid that by blaming others or making excuses for the influence of forces beyond our control. At this very trying time when our freedom of movement is being curtailed, we still need to accept the responsibility of the freedom we have.

Our SVP work continues and thanks to those who have donated to the just giving page. We are fortunate to have so many generous friends. Keep safe and as well as possible. Steve.

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School



This week we have held Parents' Evening via Zoom. Each evening this week parents have been able to meet with class teachers to celebrate progress and discuss next steps. We felt it was important to spend time catching up with parents.

On Tuesday we had a visit from the wonderful AmaSing team. Pupils in Key Stage Two had composition workshops and together composed a fantastic song about improving and taking care of our planet, very much

the theme of Laudato Si by Pope Francis.

We love awe and wonder moments and are privileged to share so many with pupils. This week the excitement was in Africa (Year Four), when the children discovered how to make a bulb light, was tangible!



