

St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week II

27thSeptember 2020

Year of The Word

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Pity

TWENTYSIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS Matt21:28-32

It is hard to admit, but too often we are like the first son in this Sunday's Gospel We confess as Christians that we want to follow the will of God, and yet every time we sin, we do the opposite. How many times each day do we turn away from our Heavenly Father?

May we, in humility, recognize how often we imitate the first son whose promises are not matched by his actions. Then, may we rejoice that our Father in heaven calls us in love to return to Him daily like the second son, that He may forgive us, restore us and draw us closer to living the faithfulness we seek. Each evening, it is a worthy spiritual practice to think through the times when we have sinned against God,-Arlington Catholic Herald

BISHOP MARK PASTORAL LETTER

A pastoral letter from Bishop Mark will be read at all Masses this weekend. In it having entrusted all the communities the diocese to the care of St Joseph, we are invited to celebrate a year of prayer dedicated to Saint Joseph from October until the beginning of Advent next year.

WEEKLY MASSES

Sat 26th 6.00pm, Drive in vigil Mass

Sun 27th 9.30 am Mass

Mon 28th Private Mass St Wenceslaus

Tues 29th Private MassSs Michael Gabriel & Raphael Janette Curzon Intention

Wed 30th 9.30 am Mass St Jerome

Thurs 1sth Private Mass St Theresa of Child Jesus

Fri 2nd Private Mass Guardian Angels Sat 3rd 6.00pm, Drive in vigil Mass

Sun 4th 9.30 am Mass

INTENTIONS

Jan Rosier/ Anthony Curzon

Kamaya Aaron Efe

Sr. Mary Damian

Josephine Stamper Intentions

Win Littler

Anthony Curzon RIP

Fr. Peter Moloney SVD

Roger Jones

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

If you wish for a Mass to be offered contact Fr. Emeka or the parish office

CONFESSIONS

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

RED BOXES

Tony Austin asks that anyone whose Red Box needs emptying will bring it into St. Clare's or alternately he is happy to collect and return it at your house if you would care to ring him on 678467.

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.

THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, CHESTER VIRTUAL OPEN WEEK:

This last week saw The Catholic High School's first Virtual Open Week. Videos were uploaded daily to give an insight to the unique school for future students and their families. The videos can be seen on the school website https://www.christofidelis.org.uk/Virtual-Open-Evening-2020/. Please spread the word to any families with children currently in Year 5 and 6.

CAFOD

SVP

"Pope Francis has called for the period from 1 September - 4 October to be a season of prayer for Creation, with this in mind members of the Chester CAFOD Support Group are pleased to invite you to join them at St Theresa's Church, Blacon on Sunday 4 Oct(The Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) at 3pm for a Novena of Prayer to Saint Francis, to pray " for a world under threat", comprising nine brief reflections based on his "Canticle of the Sun"

Due to restrictions re social distancing etc numbers allowed in church are limited so please contact Sue Bownas on 01244 679270 if you plan to join us, if you wish to pray the Novena at home, details can be found on :

-https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/Novena-to-St-Francis "

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

This week there are a couple of issues. Funding of the Holiday Home is central to our thoughts and contact with other conferences shows that they are asking parishioners to donate to the "Just Giving Page" set up for this purpose https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/chesterellesmereportholidayhome

The sponsored walk or other event won't take place because of covid restrictions.

Our spiritual reading this week focused on Stability In this uncertain world gaining peace of mind is difficult. Meditation was suggested and perhaps taking time out is one way in which we can find that peace of mind. Stay safe a well this week. God bless Steve

ROSARY CORNER

The Rosary is a long chain that links heaven and earth - St Therese of Lisieux

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Children in Reception (Australia), had great fun this week making gingerbread. They loved reading the gingerbread story and making their own puppet characters so they could act the story out! When their gingerbread man escaped, they were very helpful and made posters to assist with finding him! All our new children have settled into school so well- they are a super addition to our school community.

Pupils in North America (Year Three), have been looking at family trees and then had great fun creating their own in very

artistic ways!

**St Clares Catholic Primary School

Earlier this year, when school was closed we asked for contributions towards a 'Social History' book. Mrs Whitten has worked hard to compile all the pieces of work and photographs submitted and our book is available for

families to order with a minimum contribution of £2.00. We are hoping that our pupils will be able to hand this book down for generations as a record of what we did when our lovely school had to close to most pupils.