



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week III

7th March 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March is dedicated to St Joseph

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 6th 4 pm 'Drive in' vigil Mass

Sun 7th 9.30am *Third Sunday of Lent*

Mon 8th 9,30am Private Mass *St John of God*

Tues 9th 9,30am Private Mass *St Francis of Rome*

Wed 10th 9.30am *Ferial*

Thurs 11th 9,30am Private Mass *Ferial*

Fri 12th 9.30am Private Mass *Ferial*

7pm Stations of the Cross

Sat 13th 4 pm 'Drive in' vigil Mass

Sun 14th 9.30am *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Please ask Fr Emeka if you wish a Mass to be said or phone the parish office

Edwin Corcoran

Angela Crean

Colin Silcock RIP

Tessa & Pat Creighton

Nigel Clayton

Catherine Prendergast

Lorenzo Mansutti

Anthony Curzon

Eileen Prendergast RIP

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11-11.40am or on request

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION MARCH

Sacrament of Reconciliation: That we may

experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God

WAY OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

The way of the cross will be **livestreamed from St.**

Clare's every Friday during Lent at 7.00pm. Anyone can volunteer to lead with Fr. Emeka.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CELEBRATION

This year, the Celebrations for Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum will be in the presence of Christ's faithful. This differs from the situation faced last year when acts of public worship were suspended because of the covid-19 pandemic.

POPE FRANCIS

The Holy Father is on a 4-day apostolic visit to Iraq. The Holy Father has described this journey as a pilgrimage of penitence to implore forgiveness and the healing of the Lord after years of war; and as a pilgrimage of peace seeking fraternity. I ask you to pray that this journey will be fruitful and especially for the safety of the Pope and of the faithful who take part in the pilgrimage. Bishop Mark.

ANTHONY WILLIAM HAYCOCK RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anthony William Haycock who died recently. A funeral service will take place on Wednesday 17th March at St. Clare's, at 1pm.

Our sick, elderly, housebound and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. New names are in Bold Type.

Nigel Clayton, Veronica Creaney, W. Downes, Mary Frain, Michelle Gentile, Gwyn Harris, Lorna Jarvis, Judy Kearney, Ann Leach, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Kevin McCarthy, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Mark Wilson.
Please remember to pray for them each day as they carry their cross ,

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

"THANK YOU to everyone who has made their CAFOD FAST day donation or has used the online or text options . Don't worry however if you have forgotten or not been able to do so yet, there is still plenty of time to give your support. Do click on the following link to see just one example of where CAFOD could use your contributions to help bring water closer to a community in the mountainous regions of Ethiopia."

<https://projects.cafod.org.uk/walkforwater/index.html>



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

This week we are between conference meetings and I came across "The Well of Hope" on the SVP website. In it, there were some audio reflections featuring "A True Friend", "Sparks in the night sky", "The Donkey", "Lighting up the world with a smile" and "I'm supposed to be in School Today".

This talking newspaper was started 40 years ago in Hull by a group of local SVP members and they initially sent out 500 cassette tapes monthly to the visually impaired. It's now CDs. The reflections include, readings, poems and hymns and cater for the spiritual and emotional life of the listeners. Just one of the ongoing aspects of the SVP Nationwide.

Keep safe and well this week. God bless. Steve

ROSARY CORNER

"Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can! Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying, it is what is essential. Prayer shakes the heart of God, it obtains necessary graces! – St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Thursday was World Book Day, so we used this as an opportunity to read! Staff recorded themselves reading some of their favourite books so that children could sit back and enjoy! Pupils enjoyed a wide range of book based activities including workshops with an author. The day was a great



success with children and staff dressing up as favourite book characters at school and at home. Staff joined in with the fun as well – dressing up



as favourite book characters.

This week we have been busy preparing for pupils to return to school on Monday- we are so excited to be welcoming all our wonderful pupils back and we have got lots of exciting curriculum planning ready for everyone to enjoy.

Our weekly school newsletters where you can see more about school life are available of the school website: <http://www.stclares.cheshire.sch.uk/page/newsletters-2020->