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Psalter Week I

2nd May 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

MAY DEVOTION

POPE FRANCIS'S CALL FOR THE ROSARY IN THE MARIAN MONTH OF MAY

Pope Francis specifically calls for the praying of the Rosary across the world during the month of May. In the Holy Father's vision this worldwide chain of prayer will proceed from the Marian shrines of the world. Our own national shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham has been given a pre-eminent place following the Vatican on the first day of May.

The initiative will involve in a special way all the Sanctuaries of the world, so that they become promoters to the faithful, families and communities of the recitation of the Rosary to invoke an end of the pandemic. Some thirty representative shrines across the world will guide the Marian prayer, which will broadcast live on the official channels of the Holy See at 18.00 (Rome time) every day. Pope Francis will initiate this prayer on May 1st and bring it to a conclusion on May 31st."

Link to follow the livestream events: <https://www.churchservices.tv/walsingham>

From Bishop Mark.

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

From today the drive-in Mass time goes back to 6pm

INTENTIONS

Sat 1st May 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Leslie Davies (SB)

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR HUMAN WORK

Oliver Morgan

Sun 2nd May Mass 9.30am -Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sophy Varghese

Mon 3rd May 9.30am private Mass -Ss Philip & James

Tues 4th May 9.30am private Mass—the English Martyrs

Phelo & family

Weds 5th May 9.30am public Mass –Ferial

David Brown (SB)

Thurs 6th May 9.30am -private Mass –Ferial

Fri 7th May 9.30am -private Mass –Ferial

Sat 8th May 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Oliver Morgan

Sun 9th May Mass 9.30am—Sixth Sunday of Easter

St Clare's parishioners

If you wish for a Mass for your intentions please contact

Fr Emeka or the parish office

Confessions every Saturday 11-11.40am or on request

FIRST FORGIVENESS AND HOLY COMMUNION

This year's first communion in our parish will be held towards the end of the school year. The candidates will be in three groups and will receive their first communion on any of the following Sundays, 27th June, 4th July, and 11th July at 10.30am. The programme has been worked out and the preparation for children in St. Clare's primary is taking place in school. We appeal to parents whose children are not in St. Clare's school to contact Fr. Emeka or ring the parish office. Those who started preparation classes last year are asked to get in touch.



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, Lorna Jarvis, Judy Kearney, Ann Leach, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Kevin McCarthy, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Kryisia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Mark Wilson.

Please remember to pray for them each day as they carry their cross ,

APF/MISSIO RED BOXES.

It is time to empty the Red Boxes again so please bring your box to church as soon as possible or alternately ring Tony Austin on 678467 if you would like them to be collected.

In 2020 our parish raised over £1650 through the Red Boxes and Direct Debits which is again a remarkable total given the problems posed by the pandemic and the size of our Parish. Many thanks indeed to all our parishioners who continue to contribute so generously.”



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

Once again thank you all for your amazing generosity to our funds, which help in our work with those in need. We have been able to send our Spring contribution to the Holiday Home funds and will be able to support our twin conference of St Joseph's Lady's Conference in Kelara. Our prayers go out to those in India suffering with the virus and the SVP Nationally is helping with funds.

We are also able to assist where necessary here in Chester. We have several weeks available at the Holiday home over the Summer and Autumn. Our Primary School may have a family in need of a holiday however if there are others of which you know please contact me on 01244671817 or bonsallsteve2@gmail.com Keep safe this week. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



This week we watched the CAFOD national assembly: **'Eyes of the World'** and have signed up to be part of the campaign. The children found the

animation very powerful and thought provoking. They have created their own eyes which will be shared with the government as Britain hosts world leaders for the United Nations' climate change talks – COP26 in the Autumn. At this event important decisions that will shape the future of our global family will be made. Children also used this opportunity to reflect on the messages in Laudato Si - Pope Francis' encyclical.



Tennis coaching from Glan Aber Tennis Club has restarted so pupils in Years Three and Four are enjoying learning a new skill.

We have a vacancy for a midday assistant- applications are available from the school office.

Our fortnightly school newsletters where you can see more about school life are available on the school website: <http://www.stclares.cheshire.sch.uk/page/newsletters-2020-2021/80865>