



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week IV

18th July 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 17th July - 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Massimo Labadini

Sun 18th July Mass 9.30am – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Margaret Lehnert RIP

Mon 19th July 9.30 am – *St John Plessington*

Tues 20th 9.30am – *St Apollinaris*

Grace Williams

Weds 21st July 9.30am – St Lawrence of Brindisi

Hilda Evans

Thurs 22nd July 9.30am – *St Mary Magdalene*

Fr Nicholas Kern (ord 1990)

Fri 23rd July 9.30 am – *St Bridget*

Sat 24th July - 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Terry O'Toole (Special B'day)

Sun 25th July Mass 9.30am – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kevin Prendergast

(Special B'day)

Confessions every Saturday 11-11.40am or on request

If you wish a Mass for your intentions please contact Fr Emeka or the parish office

LATEST COVID GUIDANCE FROM BISHOP MARK

From 19th July it is recommended we continue to provide sanitiser at entrances and exits to our churches; good ventilation, encourage the wearing of face coverings and maintain general cleaning to a good standard. Great care has been taken to ensure people feel safe in our churches. Decisions will need to be made locally regarding capacity and social distancing.

Some suggestions are offered for the many and varied situations of our churches with the aim of building local confidence. Stewarding will no longer be required. Congregational singing is permitted from 19th July; however, it is recommended this be phased in gradually and face coverings continue to be worn by members of the congregation whilst singing until infection levels reduce. Holy Communion will continue under one kind with no administration of the Chalice. Holy Communion is still recommended on the hand though all who wish to receive on the tongue may do so with special care being taken. It is no longer necessary to have a one-way system or other restrictions on movement within our churches.

Churches can be open for private prayer without stewarding though QR codes should remain in place. As long as NHS Test, Track and Trace is in operation churches are asked to continue using the available means for people to sign in.

It is recommended that Holy Water Stoops should not be refilled at this point though Holy Water is available to the Faithful.

Servers, Cantors, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can be fully deployed as needed. The Offertory Collection can be resumed with baskets and pouches; however, online and contactless giving is encouraged if possible.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

We again wish to congratulate all the Children of the parish at this wonderful time. The last 8 children are receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in their lives, this week, **The Mass of Holy Communion will begin at 10.30 am after the 9.30 am Mass. Kindly remember to say a prayer for them.....**

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, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.

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

FR DENNIS KEATING RIP

Please Pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Dennis who died in the Countess after a long battle with throat cancer. May he rest in peace

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR SEAFARERS:

. There will be a special collection in support of the Apostleship of the Sea after Masses this weekend



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

This week we have been asked for more furniture items; a wardrobe, settee, and chest of drawers. If anyone knows of the availability of such items then please let me know. Visting continues and when the restrictions ease next week may allow perhaps more "in doors" visits. It is likely for the foreseeable future that our fortnightly SVP conference will still be online as will the District and Central Council meetings.

We were fortunate to receive a grant from the National Office towards our Holiday Home costs and we have also grateful to have received two sizable donations from a parishioner and the Chester Catenians. The kindness of these donors together with the goodwill and warmth of this Parish enables us to continue our work. Keep safe and well this week. God bless. Steve

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY:

The Holy Father has designated Sunday 25th July to be a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, at which we are all invited to celebrate and give thanks for the role and contribution of grandparents and older people to their families and our parishes The liturgy of the Mass will focus on grandparents and the elderly; • Children of the parish are encouraged to attend Mass together with their grandparents; • All are encouraged to make a visit to the elderly living alone in the community.

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



What a privilege it is to be part of St Clare's school community- this week as flown as we have been so busy celebrating our pupils in so many ways.....Last Sunday Kemelia, Richard, Olly and Adam received the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time last Sunday. They enjoyed a special day with lots of celebration. We have eight children receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend. They have been very patient waiting for their time to come!

This week our Year Five and Six pupils performed Joseph! The

shows took place outside in the school grounds and the children performed with great confidence and joy! The staff have worked incredibly hard during what has been an exceptionally difficult time and the children now have great memories!



Our pupils had more sporting success to celebrate this week. Year Three and Four won the athletics competition in the Cheshire and Warrington School Finals, whilst our Year Three and Four Gymnastic team came fourth and our Year Five and Six team won! In the Chester Schools

Sports Awards, St Clare's won the award for Promoting Physical Health and Wellbeing and Mr Wright won an award for his commitment to encouraging sport.

