



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week II

1st August 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 31st - 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass	Theresa Hart
Sun 1st Aug 9.00 am Exposition	
Mass 9.30am –18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Callum Davies
Mon 2nd Aug Private Mass –	
Tues 3rd Aug Private Mass –St Oswald	Ursula Breslin
19th anniversary of Fr Emeka's ordination	
Weds 4th Aug 9 am Exposition	Mary & Peter Cummings
Mass 9.30am– St John Vianney	
Thurs 5th Aug Private Mass-Dedication Basilica St Mary Major	Private Intention
Fri 6th Aug Private Mass—The Transfiguration of the Lord	Pope Paul VI
Sat 7th Aug- 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass	Helen & Lorenzo (Anniv)
Sun 8th Aug 9.00 am Exposition	Eileen Green
Mass 9.30am –19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	

There is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass on Wednesday and Sunday
Confessions every Saturday 11-11.40am or on request

OUR SAFETY IN CHURCH

As announced last week, we are not out of the woods yet, and this is not a time to let down our guards but to be extra vigilant and take more individual responsibility for our overall safety. The experts deployed by the bishops of England and Wales have earned our trust by their efficiency thus far, and, I think, it is only wise that we continue to journey with them in their current guidelines. This is not about doing less but doing more.

Let us take note of the following from Our Safety Team Meeting

Track & trace - will still be required, as per instructions from the Diocese

Saturday Drive-in Mass – No change

Stewarding/cleaning – reduce stewards to 2, acting as “welcomers” to encourage sanitising and mask wearing and to do a clean of the tops of pews, ie “touch points”, no longer to clean seats and kneelers. Thorough fortnightly clean will continue.

Distancing – centre aisle to be opened, so no “one way” system on entry and exit, but every other aisle still to be ribboned off to facilitate distancing in the pews. The Church will still be ventilated by open doors

Communion – to return to the normal time during Mass. Father will ask the left hand side (as he looks at it) to come up the centre aisle first, row by row from the front, supervised by the 2 stewards, returning to their seats via the side aisle, then the other side of the Church.

Offertory – No change, box to be left at the exit

Votive candles – to be returned to side Altars

Singing – can commence but with mask wearing

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – will commence this Sunday from 9am

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, Geoff Prendergast, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.

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

SUNDAY OBLIGATION: 'SUNDAY – IT IS OUR DAY!' The Bishops of England and Wales are hoping that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil the most important Church precept of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021.

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE



We are still looking for a wardrobe and chest of drawers for 2 different families so if anyone knows of a house clearance that may let us have these items please let me know. We are into the holiday season and the second of our St Clare's School families is now at the Holiday Home. 15 of the 20 weeks available this year have been booked and we hope that a couple of the outstanding weeks will be booked over the summer. All school holiday weeks are booked. We are still using taxis for those families without transport owing to covid transmission fears but hope to recover the cost from SVP National Office funds. Thanks for all your support. Keep safe and well this week. God bless. Steve

PARISH HELPERS

As we emerge from Lockdown we are hoping to encourage a few new/ additional volunteers to help with the various Parish duties. If you would want to become a Reader at Mass, give some of your time to cleaning the Church, please kindly let us know. Ring the parish office or send an email to st.clareschester@sky.com

ST. CLARE'S FEAST DAY

The Feast day of our parish patron is on Wednesday 11th August. There will be Mass at 9.30 am, and weather permitting, it would be followed by coffee outdoors. We encourage all to join our parish family and celebrate. All are welcome.

SHREWSBURY YOUTH MISSION TEAM CLUB ONLINE

SYMT are excited to announce a week of fun, activities, games and prayer 16th-20th August for young people in Years 5-7
emilyyouth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org to request a book form. All our welcome to join us.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING:

Confirmation teenage candidates and their parents are invited to the Confirmation program information meeting on **Tuesday 14th September**, 7pm start, in St. Columba's church. All are welcome to attend, but to ensure sufficient resources are available, please email your interest in being Confirmed to stcolumbatheresaconfirmation@hotmail.co.uk by early September. **Adult Confirmation candidates will be invited to meet Father and team members in August.** For further information please email, or phone Denise Lusk (01244 379742).

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

The next Chester parishes Sacrament of Confirmation celebration will be on Wednesday 23rd February 2022 at St. Columba's. To be Confirmed in February, you must already be at High School now, however there is no upper age limit. If you wish to be Confirmed, want information, or have any questions, please email: stcolumbatheresaconfirmation@hotmail.co.uk or contact Denise Lusk on 01244 379742.

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

