

St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week II 4th July 2021 YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

WITH GOD THERE IS NO FORCIBLE ENTRY

In this Sundays Gospel St Mark tells us that Jesus "could do no good deed of power there". Isn't it extraordinary to think that there are situations where we can "tie God's hands". Holman Hunt's famous painting in St Paul's Cathedral, London has Jesus the Good Shepherd knocking on a door without a latch. He explained that the door of our heart can only be opened from the inside. With God there is no forcible entry. The decision to admit Him into our hearts is ours—Sacred Space

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

Sat 3rd July 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Sun 4th July Mass 9.30am 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mon 5th July 9.30am private Mass-*St Anthony Mary Zaccaria* Tues 6th July 9.30am private Mass *St Maria Goretti*

Weds 7th July 9.30am public Mass -Ferial

Thurs 8th July 9.30am private Mass- Ferial

Fri 9th July 9.30am private Mass-St Augustine Zhao Rong & Comp.

Sat 10th July -6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Sun 11th July Mass 9.30am –15th Sunday in Ordinary Time DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR SEAFARERS

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021

We wish to congratulate all the Children of the parish who are receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in their lives, in three groups starting last Sunday followed by a group this Sunday $4^{\rm th}$ and then on Sunday $11^{\rm th}$ July .

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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:

The long awaited, next Chester parishes Sacrament of Confirmation celebration will be on **Wednesday 23**rd **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 <u>stcolumbatheresaconfirmation@hotmail.co.uk</u> or contact Denise Lusk on 01244 379742. If you wish to join the adult preparation group, please also introduce yourself to Father William.

THE SOUND SYSYEM IN THE CHURCH

The sound system in Church is undergoing a check and a possible upgrade by an engineer. It will be on test this weekend and we gently appeal to you to help with your feedback to enable the engineer give us the best.

INTENTIONS

Don Waring
Catherine Barrett
Ann Hassell RIP
Lila & Johnny Bradburn
Joseph Russell
Jim Singleton

, Margaret Lehnert RIP Geoff Prendergast 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,

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the soul of Hilary 'Ann' Hassell who died recently RIP

THE GOLDEN THREAD

Please take your free copy of the Crusader magazine in porch as you leave

ST JOHN PLESSINGTON

Celebration of the Feast of St John Plessington, Martyred 1679 in Chester hanged, drawn and quartered Monday 19th July 7:30pm, St Werburgh's Church. Chester Catenians warmly invite their fellow parishioners in Chester to Mass celebrated by Fr Neill Robb with the sermon given by Fr Paul Shaw. The Mass will be preceded by short memorial service at 7:00 pm (led by Fr Niell Robb) in the public garden near the monument (150 yds from St Paul's Boughton) After Mass you are invited to join us for Fellowship and a drink - Covid regulations permitting - at St Werburgh's Parish Centre, Brook Street

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

Remembering the Good? This was the subject of the spiritual reading at our conference meeting this week. St Clare's Conference has much to be grateful for and is surrounded by good. The good in our lives is many-faceted and is a storehouse of positives. Accentuate the positive and reject the negative as the saying goes. One positive is the people who comprise the SVP conference and it's always a joy to be part of the meetings. You will remember from last week that we have said goodbye to a couple of friends and are open now to welcoming new friends. If you feel you would like to be part of a great group of good then get in touch. We would love to hear from you. Keep safe and well this week. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

Last Sunday Paisley, Reuben, Harvey, Isabella, Harmonie, Alyssa, Alfie, Bjorn and Grace celebrated their First Holy Communion. It was a wonderful occasion and the children responded reflectively and spiritually. This weekend we are celebrating with another group of pupils.

This week we held our 'Union through Emotion' project based on the Olympics. Work was exhibited around the school grounds for two days and the project ended with a wonderful sports day on Thursday. All pupils enjoyed a wide range of field events, before they participated in track events.

Our sports day also had an opening ceremony which was a collection of dances

based on the different class continents in school. Parents and carers were able to join pupils to watch this event simultaneously. Maximilian Kolbe won the overall event and have the honour of having green ribbons on our sports day trophy! All children went home with an Olympic medal!

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



