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Psalter Week II

29th August 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

LET ME BE A DOER OF THE WORD, NOT A FORGETFUL HEARER

In today's Gospel the distinction between the way of life of the Pharisees and the deeper meaning given by Jesus is clearly stated. We can become very shallow if we only fulfil the 'obligations' of society and pay no attention to where our heart is. God tells us that we are important, that we are loved by Him, and helps us to live that deeper life and so appreciate the gifts below the surface

Jesus often impresses upon us the need to act upon his word. It is not enough to honour him with our lips. One can argue with words, but deeds speak for themselves. The Word is planted deep in me, and I pray in the words of the Apostle James, "let me be a doer of the word, and not a forgetful hearer".

God sees the heart and its fluctuations. He judges us on the love of our lives and our efforts to love. In the evening of life God will see not just what we did, but the heart of goodness by which we lived.—*Sacred Space*

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 28th Aug- 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Joanna Prendergast

Sun 29th Aug 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass -22nd Sunday in Ordinary time

Peter Charles Byrne

Mon 30th Aug Private Mass— *Ss Margaret Clitherow, Margaet Ward & Anne Line*

Tues 31st Aug Private Mass —*St Aiden & Lindisfarne Saints*

Special Intention

Weds 1st Sept 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass—Ferial

Lila & Johnny Bradburne

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Thurs 2nd Sept Private Mass—Ferial

Fri 3rd Sept Private Mass— *St Gregory the Great*

Sat 4th Sept 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

David Brown

Sun 29th Aug 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass -23rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Our Parish Family

There is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass on Weds and Sunday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION every Saturday 11-11.40am or on request

MARCH FOR LIFE

The march for Life will take place on Saturday 4th September 2021. A number of indoor events for children, teens and adults will take place from 10am until 1pm in The Emmanuel Centre, 9-23 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 3DW. The March to Parliament Square, will start outside The Emmanuel Centre at 1.30pm. There will be a number of Pro-Life speakers at Parliament Square, including Bishop John Keenan who will travel all the way from Scotland to attend this very important event. For more details see: www.MarchForLife.co.uk

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 cross ,

RECEPTIONIST VACANCY

Diocese is seeking to employ a full time Receptionist at the Curial Office in Birkenhead. The successful candidate will provide the highest standards of reception to employees and to a wide variety of visitors, contractors and personnel to the Curial Office. For more information, please see our website:

<http://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies>

Please send CV to Pauline McCulloch recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org Closing date Friday 17 September 2021.

ROSARY CORNER

"The Immaculate alone has from God the promise of victory over Satan. She seeks souls that will consecrate themselves entirely to her, that will become in her hands forceful instruments for the defeat of Satan and the spread of God's kingdom."

– St. Maximilian Kolbe

CONFIRMATION ANNOUNCEMENT AND MEETING

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.

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).

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE



Guests continue to go to the Holiday Home with a Lache family going this weekend as part of the St Clare's SVP Conference contingent. We have helped 7 families this year with a possible 8th if one of the allocated to other parishes is released.

As previously mentioned, finance is a constant problem and the generosity of St Clare's Parishioners has always been noted. Our next fundraising adventure is the Sponsored Walk on October 3rd. Details of the walk for those who may wish to attend or to sponsor is on the St Clare's Church website and SVP conference members undertaking the walk will make themselves known during September. Please show your usual kindness. From small acorns great oak trees grow. Keep safe and well this week. God bless Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

We hope all our families have had a wonderful summer holiday and are very much looking forward to welcoming all our pupils back to school next Thursday 2nd September. Pupils can arrive between 8:50am and 9:05am, whilst the school day will end for all pupils at 3:30pm.

