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Psalter Week I

17th October 2021

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

SYNOD 2023

Bishop Mark will celebrate a Holy Mass this Sunday at the Cathedral to open the diocesan phase of the synod of bishops to be held in 2023.

PASTORAL LETTER

A Pastoral letter on 'Journeying Together' from bishop Mark will be read at all Masses this weekend. Copies are available in church.

ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

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

INTENTIONS

Sat 16th Oct 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

Mike Fisher

Sun 17th Oct 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass -29th Sunday in Ordinary time

Neil Longridge

Mon 18th Oct private Mass –St Luke

Helen Mansutti

Tues 19 Oct private Mass– St Peter Alcantara

Lila & John Bradburne

Weds 20th Oct 9am Exposition

9.30am Mass –Ferial

Ursula Breslin

Thurs 21st Oct private Mass –Ferial

Shiela Harrington RIP

Fri 22nd Oct private Mass –St John Paul II

T/G Sheila Farrelly

Sat 23rd Oct 6 pm Drive-in Vigil Mass

In thanksgiving

Sun 24th Oct 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass –30th Sunday in Ordinary time

Frank & Rita Whelan

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILLIATION every Saturday 11-11.40am and on request

RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PRISONERS AND THEIR FAMILIES THIS WEEK

1 MILLION CHILDREN PRAYING THE ROSARY THIS MONDAY

We are all invited to join with 1 million children from 131 countries who will be praying the Rosary for peace **this Monday 18th October**. Our own St Clare's children among those taking part

MANY THANKS

Many thanks to Fr. Neill Rob who gladly accepted to cover our 6.00pm Mass, this Saturday 15th October.

A COVID RESTRICTION EASING

From this week the ribbons have been removed from the pews in Church. This will allow greater choice as to which pew you can use as numbers are increasing. Please continue to be as considerate of other people, particularly those who are feeling vulnerable, as you have been throughout these difficulties and allow as much space as possible in choosing where you sit.

The right hand side of the Church (Father's left) will continue to go to Communion first, pew by pew starting at the front, followed by the left hand side, again starting at the front pew. We would also remind you that hand sanitizing and mask wearing are still in operation where possible and the Church doors will remain open for ventilation. Track and trace is via scanning the QR code or signing in at the door.

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, Sheila Farrelly, Mary Frain, Michelle Gentile, Jenny Guest, 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 ,

SINGING AT MASS

Now that we are beginning to surface from Covid 19, **we would like to recruit people to sing with the music group.** If you would like join in, we are holding a meeting after 9.30 Mass on November 7th. The more singers the better!

PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The parish financial statement for the year ended in March is now ready. Copies are available in the porch and on the notice board inside the Church.

CLEANER WANTED

Cleaner wanted for large house in Curzon Park. Hours would be approximately 4 hours every other week but may be more initially. Weekdays only but time could be set to suit applicant. Good rate of pay. Contact John on Mb 07905 982251."



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

Our activities continue. Sponsored walkers are collecting donations so thanks again to donors. The final St Clare's family going to the Holiday Home at the end of October was visited and are looking forward to the break. Although colder hopefully, for them it will be dry at Talacre. The next Sunday Lunch will be **7th November at the Grosvenor Arms, ALFORD. CH3 6HJ.** Anyone who would like to go must contact either Catherine (01244 678825) or Veronica (01244 679217) and if you require a lift one can be arranged.

Talks have begun with the Church web designer with a view to providing space for SVP matters. Watch this and that space for more updates. Keep safe and well this week. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School



During the month of October pupils in Key Stage Two are praying the Rosary as classes. On Monday 18th October they will be participating in a worldwide effort when one million children will aim to pray the Rosary for peace and unit in the world.

Last week pupils in Year Three had a wonderful time learning about the sacrament of Baptism. They visited church to help develop their understanding of symbols and even acted out a Baptism.

This week Mrs Ward and I had the pleasure of visiting lessons across school. We saw some super work and were very impressed with pupils' enthusiasm and motivation to learn. Our superstars in Reception had great fun sharing and sorting all the autumnal items they had collected. They now have a super Autumn display in their classroom!



Pupils in Year Five and Six are learning how to play brass, woodwind and percussion. Every Friday we are serenaded as they practise their new tunes!



This week our School Council met for the first time- there was a lot of excitement as they discussed projects for the school year. One of their first tasks is to complete work linked to the 'Lache MasterPlan'.



Places for September 2022 If you know of a family with school aged children due to start in September 2022. Please encourage them to contact school so we can take them on a tour of the school and share information about everything we do in St Clare's. Appointments can be booked through contacting the school office on 01244 445266