

# St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week III 12th December 2021 3rd Sunday of Advent

December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception

# **FUTHER UPDATES FROM THE BISHOP'S CONFERENCE**

—HM Government has made the wearing of face covering mandatory in Places of Worship from Friday 10th December 2021, unless a person is exempt.

—It is strongly recommended that congregational signing within church buildings continues with applied face coverings.

—NHS Covid passes will not apply to churches or acts of worship, social gatherings linked to churches will need to comply with the new requirements but only when 500 people or more are involved.

# ST CLARE'S MASSES & SERVICES

Sat 11th Dec 5.40 pm Rosary

**6pm Vigil Mass** Marion McMurray

Sun 12th Dec 9am Exposition

9.30am Mass –3rd Sunday of Advent Edwin Corcoran

Mon 13th Dec private Mass-St Lucy Rosemary Prendergast RIP

**Tues 14th Dec** private Mass-*St John of the Cross* Ken Risam

Weds 15th Dec 9am Exposition

9.30am Mass – Ferial David Brown (SB) 6pm St Clare's Catholic Primary School Carol Concert

**Thurs 15th Dec** private Mass-*Ferial*Colin Nichols

Fri 17th Dec private Mass-*Ferial*John Wallace

Sat 11th Dec 5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass Peter Cooke

Sun 12th Dec 9am Exposition

9.30am Mass –4th Sunday of Advent Francis Thomas

& Pat & Tessa Creighton

INTENTIONS

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

\*\* Penitential service and confession for Christmas: Tuesday 21st Dec. at 6.30pm\*\*

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## **CHRISTMAS MASSES & SERVICES**

Wed 15th Dec 6pm (in church) St Clare's Catholic Primary School Carol Concert
Sadly because of Covid entrance must be by ticket only from the school office on

01244 445266 and tickets will be reserved for you. These are limited to two per family. The School are asking all adults attending to show a Covid pass or lateral flow negative outcome.

Mass times

Christmas Eve Fri 24th Dec 4pm children's Mass

**8pm Christmas Eve Mass** 

**Christmas Day Sat 25th Dec 9.30am Mass** 

Boxing Day Sun 26th Dec 9.30am Mass-Holy Family

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,

#### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Anna Barry, Ann Fenney, Anthony Broaden Peter Parker, Ann O'Grady

#### **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:**

There will be a collection for Christmas flowers next weekend.

# PLEASE CAN YOU HELP- JUST 1hr EVERY 4 WEEKS?

Two more people required to join the church cleaning rota. If we get 2 teams working then the commitment would be just 1 hour every 4 weeks. Contact Mary Axon 682646

## ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

Tighter Covid restrictions and fear of the virus have meant that our District meeting due next Monday will now be held electronically. Unfortunately, the virus refuses to go away. The National office has contacted all conferences to ask for help in raising funds towards their "Hardship Fund" which has distributed £150,000 in the last 18 months to conferences around England and Wales. They wish to raise funds to replenish this fund and have started a "Christmas Kindness Appeal". Money donated will attract an equally matched donation £1 for £1 with where possible gift aid on top. I can pass a donation link if you contact me on <a href="mailto:stevebonsall@outlook.com">stevebonsall@outlook.com</a>. Keep safe and as well as possible. God bless. Steve

# St Clare's Catholic Primary School

BORO

Our theme for this second week of Advent was LOVE. Children reflected on how they can show their love in so many different ways. A group of Year Six pupils from St Clare's contributed to the Diocesan liturgy, which will be used for all school staff, by challenging everyone to think about what we, as individuals, can do to show we care about

#### others

This week, as you can imagine, there has been buckets of excitement! Our Key Stage One classes have got Christmas elves which have been causing havoc in school: scribbling in books; hanging from the lights; drawing smiley faces on pupils' bananas and generally making a mess! Also, Stanley the snowman keeps hiding in places around school, waiting for pupils to find him and claim their reward! He can't hide for long!

On Wednesday a lovely team of health workers administered the flu vaccination to AmaSing music sessions, where they sang and danced to Christmas music.

'Beauty and the Beast' in the Floral Pavilion, New Brighton, was the chosen panto for the whole school to enjoy this year. On Friday everyone arrived at school early, feeling very festive, and set off to watch the performance. Everyone had a wonderful time and joined in with the audience participation!

many of our pupils. Children were very sensible and appreciated the stickers they received for being brave! In the afternoon pupils were treated to 'Rock with Rudolf' Next week Key Stage One are performing 'The Little Big Nativity', then on Wednesday pupils in Key Stage Two are leading a Carol Service in church, starting at six o'clock. We have had to make this a ticket only event and have reserved a small number of tickets for parishioners. If you would like to join the school community for this event please pop into or call the school office on 01244 445266 and tickets will be reserved for you. These are limited to two per family. Places for September 2022



Visits to school are encouraged for families with school aged pupils (September 2022) so we can share what happens in St Clare's and parents/carers can make an informed choice about schools. Appointments can be booked through contacting the school office on 01244 445266