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**Psalter Week II                      10th April 2022                      Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**April is dedicated to The Holy Spirit**

### **MASSES & SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK:**

**SAT 9th Apr 5.40pm Rosary  
6pm Vigil Mass**

**Sun 10th Apr PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD  
9.30am Mass**

**Mon 11th Apr private Mass -Monday of Holy Week**

**Tues 12th Apr 7pm Mass & St Anthony devotions**

*-Tuesday of Holy Week*

**Weds 13th Apr 9.30am Mass -Wednesday of Holy Week**

**April 14th MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**7.00 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**8pm Adoration and watching until midnight**

**April 15th GOOD FRIDAY:**

**3.00 pm. The Celebration of the Lord's Passion**

**DAY OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

**April 16th HOLY SATURDAY:**

**8.30 p.m. Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter**

**April 17th EASTER SUNDAY:**

**9.30 am Mass**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION : Mon 11th, 6.30pm, Tue 12th, 6.30pm and on request.**

### **INTENTIONS**

David Brown (SB)

Lilian Maguire

Nicholas France (recovery)

Ursula Breslin

Ann Leach

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Kevin McCarthy

### **HOLY WEEK LITURGIES**

We appeal to anyone interested to sign up for the washing of feet during the Mass of the Lord's supper on Holy Thursday. After Mass, the opportunity to keep watch, adore and pray with the Lord will start from after Mass until 12 midnight. Please endeavour to sign up. Please note Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence

### **EASTER VIGIL**

Remember to keep all who will be baptised and received into the Church during Easter vigil in your prayer, especially Mike Wilson who will be received into the faith here in St. Clare's.

### **SYNOD UPDATE: DIOCESAN LISTENING PHASE**

The office of the bishop has released a final synthesis of contributions from around the Diocese and the required Episcopal Discernment from bishop Mark. The final document contains an 8-page synthesis of written contributions; a 2-page episcopal discernment. The synodal pathway now moves to the national and continental levels, as has been mapped out, in preparation for the International Synod of Bishops in October 2023. Copies are available in the porch.

### **PRAYER FOR UKRAINE**

O Prince of peace, once more we hear the guns of war. Once more we see the faces of frightened children. We pray for the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace. We pray for the people of Russia, that they may demand peace. We pray for our country, that we may be a positive part of peace-making in the world. O Prince of Peace, lead us from this dark time to a deeper understanding of the global human family, so that all may break bread together in the secure embrace of peace. Amen.

**Our sick, elderly, housebound and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. New names are in Bold Type.**

Maureen Brady Nigel Clayton, Veronica Creaney, W. Downes, Sheila Farrelly, Mary Frain, Michelle Gentile, Jenny Guest, Lorna Jarvis, Mary Jenkins Judy Kearney, Peter Lloyd, , Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.

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

### **ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME**

James Penlington, Wilfred Kavanagh, Tom Foxall, Mildred Gibbons, Jean Elliot, Kathleen Bratherton, Mabel Spereall and Fr. Eric Jones OFM Cap.

### **COFFEE & TEA AFTER MASS**

After the 9.30am Mass this Sunday there will be refreshments in the Parish Room on behalf of the SVP - **please join us especially if you are new to the parish or visiting.**

### **EASTER FLOWERS**

There will be retiring collection after Masses this weekend for Easter flowers. Many thanks to those who gave generously last Sunday.

### **CAFOD LENT APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone at St Clare for your gift of £1317 to our Lent appeal, which we received recently. Your parish's prayers and collective Family Fast Day donation is so appreciated.

### **THANK YOU**

Grateful thanks to all who signed up for the spring cleaning of the Church last week Saturday. That was a job well done.

### **LOURDES BY JUMBULANCE- Chester ACROSS GROUP**

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> to Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July leave from St Columba's Overland by a Jumbulance – literally a Jumbo Ambulance. It has seven beds, spacious/reclining seats, an accessible toilet and a kitchen, so we can care for several sick and disabled people. Staying four star Meditteranne , which has adapted bedrooms, hospital beds and accessible showers.

There are vacancies for a doctor, nurses, helpers and sick and disabled people. The cost is £950. Nurses and younger helpers pay half. we have funds raised to provide financial help where necessary. For further information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 or email [tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk), [www.across.org.uk](http://www.across.org.uk)

### **CARITAS SHREWSBURY – THE GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL**

The Director of Caritas, Ben Gilchrist writes: "Caritas Diocese of Shrewsbury are requesting help in promotion the Good Shepherd Appeal this Lent <https://www.caritasshrewsbury.org.uk/getinvolved/good-shepherd-collection/> This appeal has special importance as we seek to respond as a Diocese to the growing refugee crisis.

### **REGULAR GIVING TO THE PARISH**

For those parishioners who have used planned giving envelopes during 2021/22, new boxes of envelopes to be used from Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April are now available in the porch. If you wish to set up a Standing Order in favour of the Parish, or have not used planned giving envelopes before and would like to do so, please contact Mike Russell (07883 199628).



### **ST CLARE'S SVP**

Our DBS status was checked at our Monday meeting at which also we agreed that the next Sunday Lunch would be on May 8<sup>th</sup> the second Sunday. Details later. Compliance training during the week ensures that Data Protection, Insurance and Health and Safety aspects of our work all currently comply.

Covid 19 intervened to change those welcoming our first St Clare's family this year to the Holiday Home. It hasn't gone away I'm afraid. If you would like to host the Sunday Tea & Coffee please contact me as I've taken over the rota! Keep safe and as well as possible. God bless Steve.

## **St Clare's Catholic Primary School**

Pupils and staff of St Clare's wish all our parishioners a Happy and Holy Easter. School opens for pupils on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

