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**Psalter Week III      1st May 2022      May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary**

### MASSES & SERVICES

Sat 30th Apr 10.30-11.30am Exposition –Holy hour for peace

5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 1st May 9.00 am Exposition

9.30 am Mass –*Third Sunday of Easter*

### **DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR HUMAN WORK**

Mon 2nd May private Mass –Athanasius

Tues 3rd May 7pm Mass & St Anthony devotions

-Ss Philip & James

Wed 4th May 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass –*The English Martyrs*

Thur 5th May 9.30am Mass-*Ferial*

Fri 6th May 9.30am Mass –*Ferial*

### **FRIDAY ABSTINENCE**

Sat 7th May 10.30-11.30am Exposition –Holy hour for peace

5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 8th May 9.00 am Exposition

9.30 am Mass –*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

### **DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER THROUGHOUT THE WORLD FOR VOCATIONS**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** : Saturday 11-11.40am and on request.

### COFFEE & TEA AFTER MASS

Tea and Coffee will be served in the parish room after Mass.

**Please join us especially if you are new to the parish or visiting.**

### OUR LADY'S MONTH OF MAY

This month is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Rosary is prayed at 5.40pm before the vigil Mass each week. If you are unfamiliar and unsure of this prayer, the Catenian Association have left **free** adult Rosaries and 'How to Pray the Rosary' cards at the back of the church, together with small children's Rosaries if you perhaps want to pray the Rosary as a family. ***Please only take a free Rosary if you do not own one yourself***

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

Now that all Covid restrictions have been eased, it is wonderful that once again we can return to Lourdes. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from 29 July - 4 August by air and 28 July - 5 August overland. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation and full pilgrimage programme. Further details and booking forms are available to download from the Pilgrimage Website [www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk](http://www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk) or from the Pilgrimage Office, Curial Offices, 2 Park Rd South, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 4 UX.

### 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.

## ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

Kenneth Kelly, Annie Hare, Patrick O'Connor, Mike Garwood, George Cain, Catherine McGarry and William Spellman.

## OUR SICK ELDERLY AND HOUSEBOUND

**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, Catherine Maher, Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt. **Please remember to pray for them each day as they carry their cross**

## MISSIO THANKSGIVING MASS - Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7pm

A Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Mark Davies, to thank God for all those who are praying and supporting the Red Boxes and the work of Missio, will be celebrated at St Michael and All Angels Church, New Hey Road, Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. All are welcome including Missio Secretaries, Benefactors, Red Box holders and anyone interested in the mission of the Church.

## FOODBANK

Whilst we take any foodbank donations to the warehouse monthly, storage is available in the lobby lockup so do bring any items in weekly if that's convenient. Donations can be taken to the warehouse more often if necessary.

## SUNDAY LUNCH

The next Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 12.30 the Golden Lion Rossett. LL12 0HN. Please book with Catherine on 01244 678825. Details on the website [www.stclaressvp.com](http://www.stclaressvp.com)



## ST CLARE'S SVP

We have request for a wardrobe and chest of drawers for a family so if anyone knows of such please let us know. Thank you all for your support with our retiring collection. Your help allows us to help others. On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May the Holiday Home committee is having a "Fundraising" meeting to discuss how we can raise further money to allow replacement of the Holiday Home in the Autumn of 2023. We need around £40000 for a reasonable replacement and we are looking to raise £5000 above our normal annual fundraising> Any ideas welcome. We have a Theatre night on Wed 8<sup>th</sup> June at The Gladstone Theatre, Port Sunlight. "The Vicar of Dibley" is being put on so a fun evening is expected. Tickets available soon. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless Steve.

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



The greatest classroom is the one with the sky as its roof! Our pupils in Reception love the great outdoors and appreciate the joy of nature.

This week a group of children walked to Westminster Park for a tri- golf event. They all had fun and represented school with pride. Parents and pupils enjoyed a Rock Concert in the school hall! Pupils who enjoy music lessons from Rock Steady performed a range of pieces with great enthusiasm. Our Year Four pupils are becoming more and more confident with their times tables. This week they have attended a breakfast Maths Booster club.

Huge congratulations to Harry who was baptised last Sunday and to Maisie and Tianna who will receive the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Pupils in Key Stage One enjoyed a tennis road show- they have all been invited to Glan Aber tennis club for a open weekend. Our pupils in Year Three are very excited as they are going on their first school residential trip next Thursday. Pupils will be spending two days and one night in Delamere Forest.

Date for your diaries..... St Clare's are holding a Summer Fayre on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July and we would love the parish to be involved. We will also be celebrating our Golden Anniversary at this event. It would be super to make it a parish community event.

