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Psalter Week II 5th June 2022 June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

AN INVITATION FROM THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND & WALES

A beautiful hallmark of the Catholic faith is the profound desire to participate in the Holy Mass and share in the Eucharist. It enables us to worship Almighty God, to support each other on our journey of faith, and to be a visible sign of faith in the world. This hallmark is supported and strengthened by the precept that our fundamental Christian duty is to worship God by participating in the celebration of Mass. Attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is the greatest of all privileges, sometimes referred to as "the Sunday Obligation."

Since the Covid pandemic, the Sunday Obligation has been impeded. We thank God that this situation has now changed. We therefore believe that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply.

When the freedom of any Catholic to attend Mass in person is impeded for a serious reason, such as ill health, care for the sick or legitimate fear, this is not a breach of the Sunday Obligation. "Virtual viewing" of Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation. It may, however, be a source of continual spiritual comfort to those who cannot attend Mass in person, for example those who are elderly and sick, for whom the obligation does not apply.

We glory in being a Eucharistic people for whom attendance at Mass is essential. Looking forward to the forthcoming feast of Pentecost, we now invite all Catholics who have not yet done so to return to attending Mass in person.

MASSES & SERVICES

Sat 4th June FIRST SATURDAY

10-30-11.30 am Exposition –Holy Hour for Peace

5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 5th June 9.30 am Mass –PENTECOST SUNDAY

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Mon 6th June private Mass– *Mary Mother of the Church*

Tues 7th June 7pm Mass & St Anthony devotions –*Ferial*

Wed 8th June 9.00 am Exposition

9.30am Mass –*Ferial*

Thur 9th June 9.30am Mass

-OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

Fri 10th June 9.30am Mass– *Ferial*

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE

Sat 11th June 10-30-11.30 am Exposition –Holy Hour for Peace

5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass

Sun 12th June 9.30 am Mass –*MOST HOLY TRINITY*

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

INTENTIONS

Special intention (SB)
Cecilia Murphy RIP

Ellie Green
Kerry Prendergast

Roger Williams (SB)
Gloria Smith RIP

Eileen Prendergast RIP

Claire Murphy RIP (SB)
Trudy Axon

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

We congratulate Her Majesty the Queen on her Platinum Jubilee , and thank her for her 70 years of long and devoted service

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

Hughes James, Kemp Janet Ann, Lane Mary, Houlihan Thomas, Mугan Joseph, Mooney Mary, Banks Michael, Walker Catherine Cain Thomas, Povey Mary, Bromwich Charles.

OUR SICK ELDERLY AND HOUSE BOUND

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.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS

This week Pat and Mary will provide the tea and coffee after Sunday mass and next week will be the School PTA.

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

HELPERS URGENTLY WANTED FOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Chester Across Group are again off to Lourdes by Jumbulance, which is a Jumbo-Ambulance. It has seven beds, an accessible toilet and kitchen, hence we can take sick or disabled pilgrims with a wide range of ailments. We have our quota of VIPs - as we call them - but three helpers are needed - a nurse, other able bodied helpers (age 16 plus) or even a Doctor.

We leave on Thu 14th and return on Sat 23rd July. Cost is £950 but financial help is available. (Nurses and young people pay half.)

For further information, please contact Tony Murphy on 07881-656-974 (he is on holiday abroad until 13th June) or email tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk.

<http://www.across.org.uk>

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

Two vacancies have arisen within the Diocese of Shrewsbury. PA to the Director of Schools and Team member for the Shrewsbury Youth Mission team. Details for both posts can be found on the Diocesan website:

www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/about-us/curia/vacancies

Closing date Friday 24 June. Applications should be sent to Pauline McCulloch via email recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org.

ROSARY CORNER

"No normal mind yet has been overcome by worries or fears who was faithful to the Rosary. You will be surprised how you can climb out of your worries bead by bead up to the very throne of the Heart of Love itself" –*Venerable Fulton J Sheen*

HELP PLEASE

We are still seeking someone who can help with the newsletter. Please contact Kevin : 07881 204432

SUNDAY LUNCH

The next Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 12th June 1230 at the Chester Fields Pub and Restaurant. Please contact Catherine for the menu which must be pre-ordered on 01244 678825



ST CLARE'S SVP

27kg of food was taken to the foodbank warehouse this week. Do keep the foodbank donations coming. We were asked by the local District Nurse if we could offer a week at the holiday home for 2 deserving families. One will go on 18th June and the other may get a week in the Autumn. We continue to be asked for household items but must temper our ability to help with the resources at hand. Thank you all for the help you give us. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

School reopens on Tuesday 7th June.

