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Psalter Week IV The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 14th August 2022

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Today's solemnity supersedes the liturgy of the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. It proclaims that the Virgin Mary had been taken up, body and soul, into heaven. The belief is ancient, dating back to the apostles themselves. What was clear from the beginning was that there were no relics of Mary to be venerated, and that an empty tomb stood on the edge of Jerusalem near the site of her death. The Assumption completes God's work in her since it was not fitting that the flesh that had given life to God himself should ever undergo corruption. The Assumption is God's crowning of His work as Mary ends her earthly life and enters eternity. The feast turns our eyes in that direction, where we will follow when our earthly life is over –'Catholic Culture'

MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 13th Aug	10-30-11.30 am Exposition –Holy Hour for Peace 5.40pm Rosary 6pm Vigil Mass	John McCann
Sun 14th Aug	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 9.30am Mass	Bob Green (anniv)
Mon 15th Aug	Private Mass– <i>Ferial</i>	
Tues 16th Aug	7pm St Anthony devotions and Mass–<i>Ferial</i>	Gladys Joinson
Wed 17th Aug	8.45 am Exposition 9.30am Mass–<i>Ferial</i>	Ann Leach
Thur 18th Aug	9.10am Rosary 9.30am am Mass–<i>Ferial</i>	Hilda Evans
Fri 19th Aug	8.45am Exposition 9.30am Mass–<i>Ferial</i> FRIDAY ABSTINENCE	Peter Charles Byrne
Sat 20th Aug	10-30-11.30 am Exposition –Holy Hour for Peace 5.40pm Rosary 6pm Vigil Mass	John McCann
Sun 21st Aug	9.30am Mass–<i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Dot Bell

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 10.30-11.40am and on request

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

This week it is provided by the SVP and next week by Steve and Rosemary
Please come and enjoy a cuppa and chat. You are very welcome.

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

May Barlow, Gladys Joinson, Robert Green, Lesley Joinson, Eileen Griffiths, Sean Farrell, David Roberts, Hilda Evans, Peter Charles Byrne, Paul Starmer, Elsie Kelly and Cecil Stinson.

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.

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



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE www.stclaressvp.com

We delivered a bed and bunk beds. We currently have a family at the holiday home, We are actively fundraising for the replacement of the holiday home . We ask for prayers for a family who were unable to go due to very sad circumstances. God bless Steve

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

The Sunday lunch for elderly parishioners is recommencing on Sunday 4th September 2022. we will meet at the Alyn Riverside pub Station Road Rossett LL12 0HE at 12.30 noon. Anyone interested please contact Veronica or Catherine on 01244 678825 All are welcome

URGENT HELPERS REQUIRED

for pilgrimage to Lourdes with the Across charity. *Overland by Jumbulance from Chester Thu 8th—Sat 17th Sept Must have GB Passport and be COVID vaccinated* Further details from **Tony Murphy** 07881-656-974 or email tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk www.across.org.uk

'I've always wanted to go to Lourdes'

VISITING THE HOLY LAND?

The Bishops of England and Wales have produced a document to help visitors to the Holy Land better understand the complexities and challenges of life for the people who live there. Cardinal Nichols has written. "I welcome these guidelines for all pilgrimages to the Holy Land. The complexities and vulnerabilities which people face in the land where Jesus lived need to be understood and our heartfelt support for Christian communities need to be well judged and generously delivered. "These reflections can definitely help us in this important process."

HOUSING REFUGEES

[RESET UK](#) offer a [matching service](#) and work closely with [Caritas Shrewsbury](#) on Community Sponsorship and on Ukraine The Government is also working with a number of [recognised providers](#) across the board for the Homes for Ukraine scheme. These are: [Refugees at Home](#), [Citizens UK](#) and [World Jewish Relief](#)

THE PILGRIMAGE OF THE RELICS OF SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES

The relics will be with us at the Cathedral from 1.00pm on Tuesday 13th September until 9.00am on Wednesday 14th September, when the relics will travel to Saint Werburgh's, Chester until 4.00pm that same afternoon.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UKRAINE - 14th September

A Day of prayer has been proposed across Europe on Wednesday 14th September, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It is, of course, the day Saint Bernadette's relics are arriving in Shrewsbury. We will aim to have a dedicated hour of prayer in the Cathedral that day for the suffering of the people of the Ukraine. I would also invite you to a consider remembrance in the Mass and/or a dedicated hour of Eucharistic Adoration for the Ukraine on that day.