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Psalter Week I 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 21st August 2022

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

MASSES & SERVICES INTENTIONS

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-21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Dot Bell

Mon 22nd Aug Private Mass–Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tues 23rdAug 7pm St Anthony devotions and Mass-Ferial Mary & David Benson

Wed 24th Aug 8.45 am Exposition

9.30am Mass—St Bartholomew Christine Andrews

Thur 25th Aug 9.10am Rosary

9.30am am Mass-St Thomas of Hereford Sally Calum

Fri 26th Aug 8.45am Exposition

9.30am Mass-Ferial Thanksgiving

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE

Sat 27th Aug 10-30-11.30 am Exposition –Holy Hour for Peace

5.40pm Rosary

6pm Vigil Mass Private intention (PH)

Sun 28th Aug 9.30am Mass -22nd Sunday in Ordinary time Peter Charles Byrne

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 10.30-11.40am and on request

PLEASE NOTE: We have more time now for Exposition and Rosary before our Masses.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Jesus doesn't answer the question put to Him in this Sunday's Gospel. It profits us nothing to speculate on how many will be saved. What we need to know is what He tells us today—how to enter into salvation and how urgent it is to strive now, before the Master closes the door. —Scott Hahn

To gain eternal life is to participate to the fullest degree possible in the very life of God. It is to walk the path of love, surrendering to grace and allowing this grace to flow through you to the wider world. Is this an easy task? No. —Bishop Robert Barron

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

Tea and Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass. This

week its Steve and Rosemary for the SVP and next week the SVP holiday home.

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

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 OCCURING ABOUT THIS TIME

Dorothy Penlington, John Hughes, M Farrimond, June

Atherton, Sylvia West and Felice Sapio

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.

SVP

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE www.stclaressvp.com

It's been a holiday home week again with a visit to Telacre to resolve some maintenance issues. The HH age along with the constant usage means these issues arise. It does provide a welcome break for those who otherwise cannot get away. We continue to explore ways of fundraising to achieve replacement, and a CWAC/ Spacehive workshop to provideways some idea of how to access CWAC grant funds. We are on course to replace in the autumn of 2023 provided we gather the funds.

A number of beneficiaries have asked for prayers as they are going through difficult times. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

The Sunday lunch for elderly parishioners is rercommencing 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

ARRANGEMENTS FOR 14TH SEPTEMBER – ST BERNADETTE:

The Booking System is starting to go live at St Werburgh's!. Go to the St Werburgh Home Page on our website and click the button "St Bernadette Relics – 14th September". Eight lines down you'll find the link to the National Website. Click that and you'll find a wealth of information. For Booking purposes, click "Registration" on the menu bar at the top of the page. Find the Map Pin for Shrewsbury Diocese (hiding behind Liverpool - cheek!) and that will bring up the two venues, our Cathedral and St Werburgh's. At the moment – Saturday morning, 30th July – only the afternoon visits are bookable. The morning is exclusively for our schools, but we hope the Bookings for Mass (12.15 pm) will be bookable soon as well. Watch this space, everyone!

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

HOUSING REFUGEES

RESET UK offer a matching service and work closely with Caritas Shrewsbury on Community Sponsorship and on UkraineThe 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**

ROSARY CORNER

"Mary has recommended the Rosary at Lourdes and Fatima because of it's exceptional value for us and our times." -St Padre Pio

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For Small Businesses: We pray for small and medium size businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisismay they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities