

St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week III

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Year A 23rdApril 2023

April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit

MASSES & SERVICES **INTENTIONS** Sat 22nd Apr Rosary 5.40pm SCHOOL HALL Vigil Mass 6.00pm Imy & Paddy O'Connor Sun 23rd Apr Mass 9.30 am - Third Sunday of Easter **Geoff Prendergast** SCHOOL HALL Mon 24th Apr -St George Private Mass Mary Whiteside Tues 25th Apr -St Mark Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pm Josephine Penlington PARISH ROOM Weds 26th Apr – Ferial Exposition 8.45am PARISH ROOM Mass 9.30am Stella Brown (SB) Thurs 27th Apr-Ferial Rosary 9.10am PARISH ROOM Mass 9.30am Mary Barber Fri 28th Apr -Ferial PARISH ROOM Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am Mark Maher FRIDAY ABSTINENCE Sat Apr 29th-St Catherine of Sienna DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EUROPE Barbara Williams RIP (kc) Rosary 5.40 pm SCHOOL HALL Vigil Mass 6.00 pm Sun Apr 30th-Fourth Sunday after Easter Mass 9.30am Syd Jones SCHOOL HALL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Saturday 10.30-11.30 am and on request Confessions:

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP?

We still have a need to add to the team of Eucharistic Ministers. Please contact either Father Emeka on the Parish contacts or Steve Bonsall on 07838089298; <u>stevebonsall@outlook.com</u>

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

This week it is Mike and Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home and next week Steve and Rosemary for St Clare's SVP Conference. **Please join us especially if you are new to the parish or just 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

Edward Aspinall and Jacqueline Whiteley.

May they rest in peace

OUR SICK ELDERLY AND HOUSE BOUND

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

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

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CLEANING UPDATE

The decoration work in church has been completed and the cleaning of the organ and the fixing of the pipes have also been completed. The focus has shifted to the laying of carpets, servicing the heaters and the sound system. A new set of hymn books, Lectionary and Missal will be ordered next week. Once again, thank you for your patience and understanding.

THE CORNONATION OF KING CHARLES III

Saturday 6th May The Catholic community in England and Wales are invited to keep a triduum of prayer for the King from Wednesday 3rd May to Friday 5th May in whatever form each community considers best. On Sunday 7th May, the day after the coronation, a prayer of intercession for the King will be included in the Universal Prayer at Sunday Masses.

WHEN WILL THE WAR END?

The best, the surest and the most effective way of establishing **PEACE** on the face of the earth is through the great power of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. *Pope John Paul II*

"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering. *Pope Benedict XVI*

Here in St Clare's parish, there is a Holy Hour for **PEACE** every Saturday Morning 10.30-11.30am and **this coming Saturday is a day of Special Prayer for Europe**

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

The next Sunday Lunch will be on the second Sunday in May 14th at the Shrewsbury Arms, Mickle Trafford at 1230. Contact Catherine for details on 01244 678825 or <u>catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk</u>

SVP CONFERENCE

We have a retiring collection this weekend. Please support our work which helps those within our Parish. A family are looking for bunk beds which seem in short supply. Your SVP conference members visit those in need locally to talk arrange weeks at the holiday home and talk to those homeless in the city centre. These activities occur on an ongoing basis. We have also been given a small amount of money for "gas and electricity" so if you know of anyone struggling in this regard please get in touch. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

St Clare's Catholic Primary School

We have had a fantastic start to the term this week. On Friday every class participated





in a drumming workshop. They played different rhythms on different types of drums. The enjoyment on the faces of the children was wonderful to see.

Year Four went to the Chester Catholic High School for an exciting Science lesson on States of Matter. They are looking forward to visiting the High School again for another lesson in a couple of weeks.

