



# St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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**Psalter Week III**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Year A**

**21st May 2023**

**May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

## MASSES & SERVICES

		<u>INTENTIONS</u>
	Sat 20th May	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Rosary 5.40pm</b> <b>Vigil Mass 6.00pm</b>	Frank Hopkins (SB)
	Sun 21st May – <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> <b>DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS</b>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Mass 9.30 am</b>	Lilian Maguire Our parish family
	Mon 22nd May Private Mass – Tues 23rd May – <i>Ferial</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Mass &amp; St Anthony Devotions-7pm</b>	Kerry Prendergast
	Weds 24th May – <i>OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS</i> <i>Principal Patron of the Diocese</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Exposition 8.45am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Dave Warren (KC)
	Thurs 25th May – <i>St Bede the Venerable</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Rosary 9.10am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Mike & Meryl Fisher (anniv)
	Fri 26th May – <i>St Philip Neri</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Rosary 9.10am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b> <b>FRIDAY ABSTINENCE</b>	Kieron Prendergast
	Sat 27th Ma – <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Rosary 5.40 pm</b> <b>Vigil Mass 6.00 pm</b>	Edward Craggs B'day Thanksgiving (KC)
	Sun 28th-May – <i>PENTECOST SUNDAY</i>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Mass 9.30am</b> <b>DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH</b> Easter time ends today	Jason Anomneze.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 10.30-11.30 am and on request**

**SHREWSBURY DIOCESAN MASS FOR MISSIO**, Saturday, 3rd June, 2023 at 11:30 a.m., at St. Michael & All Angels Church, New Hey Road Woodchurch, Birkenhead CH49 5LE, Bishop Mark Davies celebrant. Refreshments in St. Michael's Primary School (next to the church) following the Mass. Parking available in the church car park, and in the surrounding streets. All Missio supporters (whether by the Red Box or otherwise) are invited. RSVP by 29th May @ 07593 544625 or email [redbox@missio.org.uk](mailto:redbox@missio.org.uk)

**CHURCH UPDATE** The diocesan property has reassured us that the carpet has been ordered and will arrive in less than two weeks to be relayed before the first Holy Communion Mass. The floor of the Church will get another clean-up before the carpet is relayed .

## **TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS**

This week its Catherine & Elaine for the St Clare's SVP and next week Mike and Veronica for the Holiday Home. **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 OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME**

William Hughes, Norman Astle, Cecil Bell, Winifred Rocks, Brian Nicholas, Mary Reeves and Dorothy McHugh. . **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, W. Downes, Sheila Farrelly, Michelle Gentile, Jenny Guest, Lorna Jarvis, Mary, Judy Kearney, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.




## **RED BOXES**

Tony Austin has asked that those holding Missio Red Mission boxes, to bring them in to be emptied

## **DISCERNMENT OF GIFTS & SERVICE FOR LAY PEOPLE**

**Your Role and mission in the Church** Presented by the Dominican sisters of St Joseph at St Columba's Church Hall Saturday 24th June 10am-5pm You are invited to spend a day of reflection , prayer and discernment about your role and mission in the Church All are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch .

## **SVP CONFERENCE**

 We had 2 sets of bunk beds delivered to a beneficiary on 12<sup>th</sup> May. Our 4<sup>th</sup> family is enjoying a holiday at the Holiday Home. At the Holiday Home meeting last Monday we discussed the forthcoming Music Night that we will hold at Chester CHS on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July. We are holding this event in the summer with the hope that it can be outside. We will use the Emmaus Centre at the CHS which has the ability to house an audience outside as well as inside. We also have to make a decision on whether to hold the next Theatre Night in March 24 or June 24. Traditionally we have chosen June but wonder whether March was more acceptable. Please let us know your thoughts. Keep safe and as well as possible this week.

## **SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING**

The next Sunday Lunch will be at the Red Lion Dodleston @ 12.30pm. Contact Catherine for details on 01244 678825 or [catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk)

## **CHESTER CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL 50th ANNIVERSARY MASS**

You are warmly invited to join the CHS celebration Mass on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of June, 11am at Chester Cathedral. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Mallon by email at [mallonk@christofidelis.org.uk](mailto:mallonk@christofidelis.org.uk). There are a limited number of spaces available.

**CATHOLIC YOUNG WRITERS AWARD 2023**—All Catholic students in years 9 through 11 are invited to submit an entry to the Catholic Young Writers Award sponsored by the Catholic Union Charitable Trust. Deadline is July 10th. Email Daniel Chamberlain at [danzambia@hotmail.com](mailto:danzambia@hotmail.com) for details

## **HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH**

The exam season has begun; therefore, we pray for every student in Y11 & Y13 sitting exams over the next month that they may do well and obtain the set of grades they are hoping for. We are very proud of our students who worked so hard for these exams, and to whom the COVID-19 pandemic has had a massive impact on them. Well done everyone!



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

This week we took a group of fantastic footballers to Everton's training ground for a competition. They played their hearts out and showed great perseverance playing against the best players from the North West. Year Six went on a trip to Safety Central on Tuesday. They learnt about making safe choices in the home to avoid fires, how to be safe near trains and canals and how to contact the emergency services if needed.

