



# St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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**Psalter Week I**

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

**Year A**

**4th June 2023**

**June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

## MASSES & SERVICES

## INTENTIONS

	Sat 3rd June– <i>Charles Lwanga &amp; Companions</i>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Rosary 5.40pm</b> <b>Vigil Mass 6.00pm</b>	Michael Brown RIP
	Sun 4th June– <b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Mass 9.30 am</b>	Fr John Gibbons
	Mon 5th June – <b>St Boniface</b>	
	Private Mass	School children
	Tues 6th June – <i>Ferial</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Mass &amp; St Anthony Devotions-7pm</b>	Mike Darby
	Weds 7th June– <i>Ferial</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Exposition 8.45am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Kerry Prendergast
	Thurs 8th June – <i>Ferial</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Rosary 9.10am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	The sick
	Fri 9th June – <i>Ferial</i>	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Rosary 9.10am</b> <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Our parish family
	<b>FRIDAY ABSTINENCE</b>	
	Sat 10th June	
PARISH ROOM	<b>Exposition 10.30-11.30am - Holy Hour for Peace</b>	
SCHOOL HALL	<b>Rosary 5.40 pm</b>	
<b>IN CHURCH</b>	<b>Vigil Mass 6.00 pm</b>	Eileen Prendergast RIP
	Sun 28th-May – <b>THE BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>	
<b>IN CHURCH</b>	<b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Dot Bell .
<b>IN CHURCH</b>	<b>First Holy Communion Mass 11am</b>	
	<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday 10.30-11.30 am and on request</b>	

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

This year's First Holy Communion Mass will be celebrated next Sunday, feast of the Body and Blood of Christ at 11.am, AFTER THE 9.30 Mass. The children are expected to assemble in St. Clare's Primary while their parents and visitors will be seated, before the children process into Church.

## CHURCH UPDATE

The diocesan property has given us a date for the laying of the carpet in Church. The work is expected to take two days, and will come up between the 7th and 8th of June in time for the Mass of First Holy Communion. A new set of hymn books arrived for our use last week while negotiations are also ongoing for the replacement of some other liturgical books and vestments.

## TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

This week its Pat and Mary with proceeds to the Parkinson's Society and next week Steve & Rosemary for the School PTA **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**

Frances Keogh, James Hughes, Janet Kemp, Mary Lane, Thomas Houlihan, Joseph Mugan, Mary Mooney and Michael Banks. **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, Mike Darby, 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.

## **SPECIAL APPEAL**

I appeal for volunteers to join in giving the Church a wipe and a touch before we go back to use it again by the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of June. There'll be bits to take care of here and there, wiping, arranging the prayer and hymn books, organising the sacristy and the choir loft. A few things will be required to be taken to refuse dump Date: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> from 4.30pm to 6.30pm, and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> from 10.am to 12noon.

## **INVITATION TO MASS IN THE COUNTESS HOSPITAL**

Mass is to be celebrated on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 12.15pm In the Countess of Chester Hospital Chapel. This month Fr Jinson Parish Priest of St Francis Church, Chester is joining us. This mass is for all the staff, patients, patient families, volunteers and parishioners of our area. If you are able to attend, we would love to welcome you to Holy Mass once a month in the COCH chapel. May God bless you all, and your families, **Deacon Antony Nuttall**

## **PARISH EMAIL DATABASE**

Since 2020 St Clare's has had an email database, just names and email addresses. For 3 years twice weekly emails have been sent out, our Newsletter and Bidding prayers at the weekend and our Wednesday Prayer reflection midweek. If you wish to be included and would like to receive these documents, please email Pat Riddell [patriddell31@aol.com](mailto:patriddell31@aol.com)

## **PLEASE SPONSOR COAST TO COAST CYCLE**

Using Data from the World Health Organisation it is estimated that 44 million abortions were carried out worldwide last year, meaning abortion is the leading cause of death around the world killing more people than cancer and disease in 2022. To give an idea of scale: it is estimated that 50-56 million died in the 6 years of the Second World War.

Please help the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children by signing the sponsorship form at the back of the hall for Rob Collins coast to coast (Walsingham to Holywell) cycle

## **WELFARE NURSE**

Due to the upcoming retirement of our current RGN/Welfare Officer, the Dioceses is looking to appoint a replacement. The role is for 3 days per week. Salary: £38 - £42K FTE pro rata depending on experience. For further details of the role please see the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> Completed application should be sent to Pauline McCulloch [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) Closing date 30 June 2023.



## **SVP CONFERENCE**

We are still trying to source a single bed and mattress and an electric cooker for a beneficiary. It is hoped that we should hear soon about these items. We have 2 more families booked for the Holiday Home; one at the end of June and another family at the end of July. The family last week were so pleased and wrote a heart-warming thankyou card in appreciation. A gate has been fitted to the ramp leading to the Holiday Home doors so little children can be kept safe. The ramp also is of a slope giving easier access for wheelchair users than the previous Caravan. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

## **SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING**

The next Sunday Lunch will be at the Red Lion Dodleston @ 12 noon. Contact Catherine for details on 01244 678825 or [catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk)

## **RED BOXES**

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

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

You are warmly invited to join the CHS celebration Mass this 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.