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Psalter Week IV SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 23rd July 2023

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

NEW APPOINTMENT

The bishop has appointed Fr. Emeka to the parish of The Divine Saviour in Runcorn starting from the first week of September 2023. He will be replaced by Fr. Bernard Forshaw former parish priest of St. Ann's Rock Ferry and St. John's New Ferry.

MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 22nd July -**ST MARY MAGDALENE**

Rosary 5.40 pm

Vigil Mass 6.00 pmErna and Lawrence Welsh (RIP)

Sun 23rd July -**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass 9.30am..... Philip John and Vina Whitlock (RIP)

Mon 24th July -*Ferial*

Private Mass.....Helen & Lorenzo (wedding anniv)

Tues 25th July -**ST JAMES**

Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pmRosemary Wood Intentions

Weds 26th July -*Ss Joachim & Ann parents of Blessed Virgin Mary*

Exposition 8.45am

Mass 9.30am.....Callum Davies

Thurs 27th July-*Ferial*

Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am..... ..Kevin Prendergast

Fri 28th July -*Ferial*

Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am..... ..Kath & Ray (RIP) Harris-Golden

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE

Wedding Anniversary Remembrance

Sat 29th July-*Ss Mary, Martha and Lazarus*

Exposition 10.30-11.30am -Holy Hour for Peace

Rosary 5.40pm

Vigil Mass 6.00pm.....Hugo Hopkins

Sun 30th July-**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Mass 9.30 am.....Dot Bell

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION- Saturday 10.30-11,30am and on request

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR JULY

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

CATHERINE BROCKLEBANK RIP

A funeral Mass for the late Catherine Brocklebank will be held on Tuesday, August 1st at 1.00pm in Church. Cremation will follow after Mass at the Blacon Crematorium.

PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish council meeting will be held on Monday 24th July at 6.30 pm in the Parish Room.

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

Alfred Hughes, Albert Waters, Etheldreda Arcari, Christina Callaghan and John Patterson. **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, Jenny Guest, Lorna Jarvis, Mary, Judy Kearney, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt.

FEAST OF ST CLARES

The patronal feast of our parish will be held on Sunday 13th of August. The annual barbecue and some West African cuisine especially 'jollof' will follow after Mass.

NEW DAWN IN THE CHURCH:

This 5-day Catholic Conference takes place each year at the Catholic National Shrine & Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham. This year it runs from 31 July to 4 August. It offers an outstanding programme of liturgy, sacraments, prayer, praise, worship, teaching, workshops, fellowship, community and a fully facilitated Family Camp. Please see the flyer in the church porch; full conference details including how to register can be found at: <https://www.newdawn.org.uk/>.

PART-TIME DISTANCE LEARNING FOR BACHELOR OF DIVINITY(BDIV) OR LICENCE IN DIVINITY

Maryvale Institute, Birmingham- Study part-time, by distance learning

The Ecclesiastical BDiv is a five-year part-time, collaborative-learning degree programme in Catholic theology providing a comprehensive exposition and analysis of Christian doctrine based on the study of the sacred Scriptures, the works of the Fathers and Doctors of the Church, and the documents of the Magisterium

The Licence in Divinity: Pathway in Catechetical Sciences is another qualification of the Holy See, distinct from an STL, it is a three-year, part-time, programme aimed at those in leadership positions in catechetics and in other positions of responsibility.

Contact: Admissions tutor, Deacon Dr Harry Schnitker at: researchcentre@maryvale.ac.uk

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

This week its Mike and Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home and next week Steve & Rosemary with proceeds to St Clare's SVP .

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

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

For details of the next Sunday Lunch please contact Catherine on 01244 678825 or catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk



SVP CONFERENCE

Another of our families starts to enjoy a week at the Holiday Home, weather permitting. Proceeds from the Music Night enjoyed by all attending and many from this Parish are not yet known but will be in the order of £800 to £1000. Thanks to all involved. Our next event will be the Sponsored Walk in October. Unfortunately the HH running costs are a constant drain on our resources and when the summer is over we will use more gas, as the HH is gas heated through radiators. Our electricity use is thankfully minimal. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH

Congratulations to all the students who completed the Faith in Action Award. The award recognises the students' active faith lived out through service and reflection. Four students received the Bronze award, and 11 students received the Pin Level. Ashleigh from SYMT went to CHS to give the certificates to the students at the award ceremony. Well done!



St Clare's Catholic Primary School

This week has focused on our wonderful Year Six class as their time at St Clare's Catholic Primary School comes to an end. They have been superstars and loved the different events of the week including the Leavers' Mass, Staff v Y6 rounders, a



fantastic production, a colour run, a party and a Leavers' assembly. On behalf of all the children and staff at St Clare's, I wish you a wonderful summer and we look forward to telling you about our success again in September.

