

St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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6th Aug 2023

INTENTIONS

Pat Strong (birthday)

Michelle Moore

Special Intention

Our parish family

Private Intention

For the sick

If you wish to make a donation to St Clare's, Acct number: 54579560-Sort C: 30-15-52

Psalter Week II

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Year A

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

MASSES & SERVICES Sat 5th Aug

Rosary 5.40 pm

Vigil Mass 6.00 pm

Sun 6th Aug -THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Mass 9.30am

Mon 7th Aug- Ferial

Private Mass

Tues 8th Aug-St Dominic

Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pm

Wed 9th Aug -ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS

(Edith Stein) Patron of Europe

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EUROPE

Exposition 8.45am

Mass 9.30am Jessica & Cameron Grimes

Thurs 10th Aug -ST LAWRENCE

Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am

Fri 11th Aug - ST CLARE

Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE

Sat 12th Aug -Ferial

Exposition 10.30-11.30am -Holy Hour for Peace

Rosary 5.40pm

Vigil Mass 6.00pm Catherine Brocklebank (SB)

Sun 13th Aug NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOTE: Mass 10.00 am Pat & Tessa Creighton

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

PLEASE NOTE: PATRONAL FEAST & "PARISH BASH"

Date: Sunday 13th of August 2023. **Mass Time 10.00 am**. Our parish

'bash' starts at 11.15 am after Mass. There will be barbecue and buffet from a variety of West African cuisine. Come and join the celebration. All welcome.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

For World Youth Day: We Pray the world Youth Day

in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS

This week it is Pat and Mary with proceeds to the 'Parkinson's UK'. Next week is the St Clare's Feast Day event so no normal Tea and Coffee. The week after 20th Aug it will be Catherine & Elaine with proceeds to St Clare's SVP. 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

Ann Marie Connolly, Arthur Clayton, Peter Burns,

Albert McHugh, Albert Hallington and Marion Edwards.

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.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING-Areas where help needed

The Parish Council met this week and have identified the following areas where help is needed within the Parish. Please consider offering your services, it will be greatly appreciated:

Newsletter: Kevin Prendergast – help needed, but 'publisher' necessary on computer

IT support: George Craggs, help needed.

Safeguarding: Bernice Whitley Help needed

Health and safety officer – George Szczyglowski

Fire Marshal: volunteer needed Altar Servers: Needed & Trainer

Welcomers: Jackie Sharratt does rota. Help needed **Readers:** Kath McCann does rota. Readers needed

Children's Liturgy: Help needed,

Music: Singers needed, speak to Kate Hughes

Help needed for: Church Cleaning (Mary Axon) Laundry (Esme McCarthy), Brass cleaning,

Christmas decorations

Help needed for: Grass cutting, Flower beds, Annual "clean-up" **General Maintenance:** Handyperson needed for "odd jobs"

Help needed for preparing for: Baptism, First Communion (Jenny Szczyglowska)

Bereavement Group: Help needed for funeral planning and support.

Thank you all.

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

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

SVP CONFERENCE

We collected £50 to go to the Homeless at last week's Tea and Coffee after Sunday 9.30 mass. Thanks to all who attended and for your generosity. Also, to those who brought and bought the jams and marmalade. Very tasty. Our work with the Holiday Home goes on with another local family from Poplar Road booking in for a week in October. We are experiencing a problem with the HH cleaning. It would seem our cleaner is not being attentive so we will need to consider other options, Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

CAFOD IS RECRUITING

"CAFOD is recruiting! Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, by working to overcome poverty and injustice? Could you work for CAFOD within the Diocese of Shrewsbury and the Archdiocese of Birmingham? Are you good at inspiring and working with volunteers? Then you might like to become our Community Participation Coordinator. Use the following link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested: https://cafod.org.uk/work-with-us Closing date 13th August 2023 or contact John Woods via jwoods@cafod.org.uk"

VOTIVE CANDLE STAND

The votive candle stands at the two side alters have been replaced with new sets made with improved technology, one on the Sacred Heart of Jesus' altar, and the other at the Our Lady's altar. Please visit to light a candle.

LACHE COMMUNITY CENTRE SURVEY

CWAC will be refurbishing the Community Centre in the next year or so and are asking Lache residents to complete a survey form which can be found online. Lache Community Centre Survey. CWAC are having drop in sessions in the Library PM on August 22; AM 8th & 12th Sept. AM Community Centre 1st September,