



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week II TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 3rd Sept 2023

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Pity

FR BERNARD WRITES

It's very good to be here at St Clare's after serving in a number of parishes in the Shrewsbury Diocese since my ordination to the priesthood in 1986. I'm a native of Christ the King parish in Bromborough on the Wirral. I went to Christ the King Primary School and then to St Anselm's College in Birkenhead. Sadly my parents are both now deceased, my brother Damien works at the national shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk. I'm very much looking forward to getting to know you all and your families. United in prayer. Fr. Bernard

MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 2nd Sept	-Ferial	
	Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace	
	Rosary 5.40pm	
	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Philip & Vina Whitlock
Sun 3rd Sept	TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	Mass 9.30am	Dot Bell & Rosemary Wood (birthday)
Mon 4th Sept	-Ferial	
	Rosary 9.10am	
	NOTE: Mass 9.30am	St Clare's Parish
Tues 5th Sept	-Ferial	
	Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pm	Eileen Green
Wed 6th Sept	-Ferial	
	Exposition 8.45am	
	Mass 9.30am	Ursula Breslin
Thurs 7th Sept	-Ferial	
	Rosary 9.10am	
	Mass 9.30am	Holy Souls
Fri 8th Sept	-NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	
	Rosary 9.10am	
	Mass 9.30am	Vocations
	FRIDAY ABSTINENCE	
Sat 9th Sept	-Ferial	
	Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace	
	Rosary 5.40pm	
	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Fr Terry Boylan
Sun 10th Sept	TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	Mass 9.30am	Philip & Vina Whitlock
	DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR EDUCATION	

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

PLEASE NOTE

Fr Bernard will be saying Mass **every Monday at 9.30am** including this week

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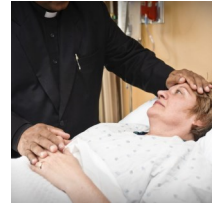
"Many thanks to all who attended on Tuesday evening to say thank you and farewell to Father Emeka. Despite the short notice and holiday season, there was an excellent turnout. Father was very moved and appreciated the heartfelt and sincere messages he received, both from those in attendance and others who couldn't be there."

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

Hadrian Vincenti, Edita Barrans, James McHugh, Fr. Terry Boylan, Winifred McHugh, Michael Franchetti, Eileen Hickman and Fr. Rudolph Keeler OFM Cap. . **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.



TEA & COFFEE AFTER 9.30 am MASS

This week tea and coffee will be provided by Pat and Elaine with proceeds to the Parkinsons UK and next week by Steve and Rosemary for the School PTA.

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

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

The next Sunday Lunch will be at the Raven, Farndon this Sunday 3rd September. Places are all taken but do contact Catherine on 01244 678825 or catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk if you would like to join the group in the future.



ST CLARE'S SVP COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Coffee Morning on Saturday 9th September in the Parish Room between 10.30am and 12.30pm with proceeds to the Chester Homeless. Donations of homemade cakes will be welcome. Please come and bring a friend.



SVP CONFERENCE

We are always willing to visit new beneficiaries if they need our help. Do pass on links if you feel someone would welcome help. We do however, need contact details. Sometimes these contacts come from our National Office and sometimes through social services of one kind or another. Contacts for those who would benefit from time at the Holiday Home have come from the District Nurses, and either our Primary School or the Lache Primary. Never hesitate before contacting us even if in the end nothing comes from the contact. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

FUNERAL OF DEACON TOM COYLE

Deacon Tom's funeral will take place at St Columba's Church on Wednesday 13th September at 12.00 noon and will be celebrated by Bishop Mark Davies. All parishioners are warmly invited to attend both the Requiem Mass and the reception afterwards which will be held in the hall.

PAUSE FOR HOPE - 17th SEPTEMBER 2023

This Ecumenical service takes place at St Columba's on Sunday 17th September at 3pm. St Joseph's Church Choir will be in attendance. All are welcome. No Tickets required. Pause for Hope is an ecumenical service for those affected in any way by cancer; those suffering from cancer, those supporting those living with cancer, and those who have lost loved ones to cancer. It is an opportunity to come together to support and pray for each other. More information is available on the website <http://www.pauseforhope.org.uk>

IDEAS AND SUGGESTIONS

If you have any ideas/suggestions re Parish life, Mass times, links with the primary school and local community, please have a word with Fr Bernard, or send him an email to the parish email address.

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.

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH

Year 7&12 have an induction day on this Wednesday 6th September, and the rest of the school return this Thursday 7th



St Clare's Catholic Primary School

The school reopens for pupils this Tuesday 5th September