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Psalter Week IV TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 17th Sept 2023

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Pity

OUR PARISH PRAYER (To be prayed each day please for St Clare's Parish)

Abba, Father, we thank you for all the gifts and graces you have poured out on our parish family. Through the intercession of our Patron St Clare, our compass and guide, grant us the grace to keep our eyes fixed on Christ your Son, the spotless Mirror, and reflect His strength, His humility, His poverty, and His love in all we do and say. Then united in that vision, and empowered by Your Spirit may we work together for the coming of Your Kingdom, until the day when you finally call us home. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord . Amen

MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 16th Sept	Ss Cornelius & Cyprian Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace Rosary 5.40pm Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Dermot Quirk
Sun 17th Sept	TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass 9.30am	Intentions of St Clare's Parish
Mon 18th Sept	-Ferial Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am	
Tues 19th Sept	-Ferial Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pm	Mgr. Peter O'Neill RIP
Wed 20th Sept	-Ss Andrew Kim TaegOn & Companions NOTE: Mass 9.30am IN THE SCHOOL (all welcome)	Philip & Vina Whitlock
Thurs 21st Sept	–ST MATTHEW Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am	Intentions of St Clare's School
Fri 22nd Sept	-Ferial NOTE: Exposition 8.45am Mass 9.30am FRIDAY ABSTINENCE	Mrs Bates
Sat 23rd Sept	–Padre Pio (St Pius of Pietrelcina) Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace Rosary 5.40pm Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Mick Wingfield
Sun 24th Sept	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass 9.30am DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE HARVEST SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION– Saturday 10.30-11.30am and on request	Lucy Norton (SB)

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 9.30 am MASS (in the Parish Room)

This week tea and coffee will be provided by Catherine and Elaine with the proceeds to the St Clare's SVP. Next week it will be Mike & Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home.

A FEW HRS SHORT TERM HELP URGENTLY NEEDED FOR OUR LADY

As October the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary approaches the 'Catenian Rosary Group' have received requests from about 80 schools for our free Rosaries and 'How to Pray the Rosary' cards from all over the country, with requests still coming in. We have the Rosaries and cards as well as boxes, but we urgently plead for a few parishioner helpers to pack them ready for dispatch. Any afternoons to almost to suit volunteers. Contact Kevin or phone 07881 204432

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME

Sheila Shepard, Albert Capper, George Farrell, Sheila Fisher, Sybil Powell and Michael Mee.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

THE SICK ELDERLY AND HOUSE BOUND

and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. 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, Sarah Russell
If anyone is in need of a visit / Holy Communion, please let Fr Bernard know
01244 671015



PAUSE FOR HOPE - 17th SEPTEMBER

This Ecumenical service takes place at St Columba's this Sunday 17th. 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>

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The diocesan Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) will resume this month, with both an online course or daytime classes in Wythenshawe. Details are at: www.educationshrewsbury.org/formation-development/ccrs or enquiries to ccrs@dioceseofshrewsbury.org



SVP CONFERENCE

Thanks to Father Bernard for joining us this week at our meeting. Visiting continues with many of the homeless seen. The proceeds (£382) collected at the Coffee Morning (thanks for all your support) will go to the Share Shop on Pepper Street in town. They are set up to directly help the homeless so the money will go to the right place. We are also in touch with another outlet that helps the homeless with meals during the week. Sadly, owing to faulty toilets they are not able to help with meals at their base. Not wishing to give up they do take food out to the homeless this week. God bless. Steve

SHREWSBURY LOURDES HOSPITALITY

The Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be the AGM, on Saturday 30th September at 2p of the m at St Chad's, Cheadle, Stockport SK8 2AF. Please register your attendance, send apologies or items for the agenda to secretary@teamshrewsbury.co.uk or text/call 07451 249267. Agenda items should be submitted seven days before the meeting. Please pass on these details to any hospitality members who may be interested in attending. Please note nominations are now being accepted for the new Vice-President/Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. If you would like any further information about these roles, please get in touch.

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

The next Sunday Lunch will be at the Golden Lion at Rossett. Please contact Catherine on 01244 678825 or catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk to book places.

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH

The Catholic High School, Chester, Open Evening. Thursday 21st September 6-8pm. Everyone welcome! No need to book an appointment, just come along, we would love to see you.



St Clare's Catholic Primary School

It has been a super week of adventure at St Clare's. Our Year four children have visited Tattenhall residential centre for two nights and participated in a range of activities including: den building, archery, orienteering, pond dipping and zip lining.



We have celebrated Roald Dahl day this week by reading and exploring his best works.

We would like to formally invite you all to our Start of Year Mass in the school hall at 9.30am on Wednesday 20th September 2023.