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Psalter Week IV THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 12th Nov 2023

November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory

OUR PARISH PRAYER (Please pray this prayer each day for our 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 11th Nov St Martin of Tours

Exposition 10.30-11.30am -Holy Hour for Peace

Rosary 5.40pm

 Vigil Mass 6.00pm
 Anthony Curzon (RIP)

Sun 12th Nov THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Remembrance Sunday)

Mass 9.30am Nigel Clayton (RIP)

Day of Special Prayer for Victims of War

Mon 13th Nov -Ferial

Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am Holy Souls

Tues 14th Nov -Ferial

St Anthony Devotions & Mass 7pm For all the sick

Weds 15th Nov -Ferial

Exposition 8.45-9.30 am

Mass 9.30am Agnes Latham (SB)

Thurs 16th Nov -Ferial

-Ferial Rosary 9.10am

Mass 9.30am St Clare's Parish

Fri 17th Nov -Ferial

Rosary 9.10 am

Mass 9.30am Kerry Prendergast RIP

FRIDAY ABSTINENCE Sat 18th Nov -Ferial

Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace

Rosary 5.40pm

Vigil Mass 6.00pm Lila & Johnny Bradburne

Sun 19th Nov THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass 9.30am Joe Littler

World Day of Special Prayer for the Poor

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

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURING ABOUT THIS TIME

Mary McBride, Annie Trimble, Agnes Malone, Mrs Hamer, Edward Mooney, Annina Florio, Florence Walsh, Elizabeth Nicholas and Edith Walsh. **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, Veronica Creaney, Mike Darby. W. Downes, Jenny Guest, Lorna Jarvis, Mary, Judy Kearney, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Sarah Russell If anyone is in need of a visit / Holy Communion, please let Fr Bernard know 01244 671015

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

This week tea and coffee will be provided by Rosemary and Steve with proceeds to the School PTA and next week by Catherine and Elaine with proceeds to St Clare's SVP.

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

CAFOD

Thank you for your Family Fast Day donations during October. Copies of the World Gifts brochure are on tables at the back of the church.

DURING NOVEMBER

November Dead List: Envelopes for the names of your deceased parents, relatives, friends and all you wish to pray for, are at the back of the church. Please place them in the basket at the foot of the altar. If you wish to make an offering, that too may be placed in the envelope.

Remembrance Sunday: Today is Remembrance Sunday and at the end of Mass we will observe a minutes silence for all those from our Parish and beyond who have died in War and Conflict. May they Rest in Peace.

Blessing of Graves at Blacon Cemetery: Sunday 19th November 2.00-4.00pm Blessing of Graves at Overleigh Cemetery: Sunday 26th November 2.00-4.00pm

LOUDfenceSafeguarding 14th November

LOUDfence is a pro healing and reconciliation movement founded by Antonia Sobocki in the UK. in 2020. Its a community activity of solidarity and support with abuse victims and survivors, to empower parishioners and enable them to be part of the solution by giving them an avenue to express their feelings. To safeguard is to live out the values of the Gospel in their most literal sense. A Diocesan Mass supporting the movement will be celebrated this coming Tuesday at 6.45pm at Holy Apostles and Martyrs Church, Wallasey. All most welcome.

THE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

A copy of the minutes of the most recent meeting are on the church noticeboard. The next Parish Council will be held on Tues 21st November. If you have anything you would like discussed at that meeting please have a word with one of the council members (details at the back of church) or send an email to contact@stclares.co.uk

SVP CONFERENCE

The Holiday Home will be closed for the winter this Saturday 11th Nov however we will still promote the SVP and the holiday home at the CHS Christmas Fair on 19th Dec with a stall at the fair and a raffle to be drawn at the Carol Service. All welcome. Donations for the Sponsored Walk are still come in and St Clare's raised around £600 for the running and replacement costs. Thank you all for this splendid amount. Please keep foodbank donations coming in. Details of the work of St Clare's SVP can be found on our website https://stclaressvp.co.uk. God bless. Steve

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

The Christmas Lunch at the Stamford Bridge, Tarvin Road, Chester CH3 7HN on Sunday 3rd Dec. Places are limited so for information contact Catherine on 01244 678825 or catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk

USED POPPIES

Please put any 'unwanted' poppies in the box at the back of the church, as the floe=wer arrangers will use them for remembrance decoration next year

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards and calendars are now on sale in the repository.....please take a look after the

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH

In preparation for the CHS Christmas Fair on 19th of December, we are currently collecting books for one of the stalls. If you have any book in good condition that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the school reception for the attention of Ana. Thank you.



St Clare's Catholic Primary School



We have had anti-bullying workshops in school this week. A theatre company performed to the children in Years One to Four, whilst pupils in Years Five and Six took part in a thought-provoking workshop. All our pupils in Years One and Two went to a multi-skills sports festival at Northgate Arena at the start of the week, they participated with enthusiasm and respect. The whole school took part in a 'Big Write' about Remembrance Day. Across the school, the children wrote prayers, poems and fact sheets about Remembrance Day in

preparation for Armistice Day.

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