

Sunday 22nd September 2024

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter week I
Year: B

Wisdom 2:12,17-20
Psalm 53(54):3-6,8
James 3:16-4:3,
Mark 9:30-37



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday; 9:30am to 12 noon

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

MASSES AND SERVICES

Saturday 21 st Sept	<i>Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist - Feast</i> Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm Vigil Mass 6pm
Sunday 22 nd Sept	25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Confessions: 9am – 9.25am Mass 9.30am
Monday 23 rd Sept	<i>Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest</i> No Mass
Tuesday 24 th Sept	<i>Our Lady of Walsingham - Feast</i> St Anthony's Devotions & Mass 7pm
Wednesday 25 th Sept	Adoration: 8.30am – 9.30am Mass 9.30am
Thursday 26 th Sept	<i>Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs</i> Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am
Friday 27 th Sept	<i>Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest</i> Mass 9.30am
Saturday 28 th Sept	<i>St Wenceslaus, Ss Lawrence Ruiz and his Companions, Martyrs</i> Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm Vigil Mass 6pm
Sunday 29 th Sept	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels.</i> Confessions: 9am – 9.25am Mass 9.30am

INTENTIONS

Barbara Hyde RIP (KC)

People of the Parish

Mary Gardiner RIP

John Davies RIP (KC)

Clare Williams RIP

St Clare's SVP

Margaret Russell

People of the Parish

THE SICK, ELDERLY, HOUSE BOUND and those in care homes are important members of our parish community: Judy Kearney, Rosemary Roberts, Eileen Wyatt, Veronica Creaney, Peter Lloyd, Geoffrey Prendergast, Cynthia Lloyd, Alan Challinor, Jenny Jarvis, Margaret Russell & Michael Darby

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING ABOUT THIS TIME: Winifred Bell, Lou McBride, Margaret Bate, Robert Seaton, Catherine Penlington, Mary Sullivan, Marlene Hall, Ellen McAteer, Beatrice Randles, George Shone & Peter Hines.

FOODBANK DONATIONS: 30kg of food went to the warehouse this week. Thanks to all who contributed. Please keep donations coming. Regards, Steve.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY 9.30am MASS: This week it's Mike & Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home and next week it's Steve & Rosemary with proceeds to the Homeless.

NEW CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP: Volunteers needed as soon as possible, please see Fr Patrick if you can help.

SINGING PRACTICE: Apologies, the Newsletter "Editor" gave you incorrect information last week. Due to an unexpected clashing of dates, the next Singing Practice will be on Wednesday, October 2nd at 7.30 pm and future dates will appear on the Newsletter.

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE: Fundraising for our Holiday Home starts this weekend with sponsorship of those taking part in the Sponsored Walk on Sunday 13th Oct. Six families from St Clare's parish have used the HH this year and 31 from around the District. Please support us if you can. God bless, Steve

REFUGEE ASSIST: Thanks to all who have donated to date, but no more donations at present until the distribution organisation is agreed.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: *For the Cry of the Earth:* We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE: This weekend, September 21st/22nd, next weekend, 28th/29th and the first two weeks of October, 5th/6th and 12th/13th, the annual Mass attendance count will take place. That is the number of people attending Mass are noted and the total figure is used for the Parish Pastoral Statistics form.

GARDENING AT ST CLARE'S: Looking good - well done Jenny and team. If you wish to get involved, please email jenny.szczyglowska@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT PARKINSON'S? Chester Branch of Parkinson's UK are holding an Awareness Event at St Columba's church hall on Sat 2nd November – leaflets on the table at the back of Church.

ST CLARE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: It has been lovely to welcome our reception children into school full time this week. They have all settled in well and are enjoying exploring the Early Years Foundation Stage provision. They are fast becoming a part of our St Clare's family. Next week, the children will complete a sponsored walk raising money towards our new sensory room.

THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Exams Officer Vacancy at The Catholic High School: Permanent Role over 41.2 weeks a year (Term Time) paid over 12 months. 37 hours a week 8am to 4pm (3.30 pm Friday). To include INSET days and exam results days. For more information, please email kilcoynea@christofidelis.org.uk

ROSARIES: As October approaches we are likely to get a tidal wave of requests from schools for our free Rosaries. If you could be available to help then please email me: kevprend@gmail.com Thank you, Kevin

SEASON OF CREATION: This is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. It started on 1st September and finishes on the feast of St Francis, 4th October. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share. When we work together with Creation, the first fruits of hope can emerge.

SINGING FOR PEACE: Please come and support this Ecumenical Christian Aid Service at St Mary's Church, Handbridge, Sunday 6th October, 4.00 pm. Retiring Collection for Christian Aid.

Prayer For Peace: O Prince of peace, once more we hear the guns of war. Once again, 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 family, so that all may break bread together in the secure embrace of peace. Amen.

DURING ORDINARY TIME: September to the Feast of Christ the King, we are asked to pray for these intentions: Students & Teachers, The Spread of the Gospel, The Harvest, The Fruits of Human Work & the Reverent Use of Creation. Justice & Peace in the World, All victims of War, Young People, Prisoners & their Families.

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