## Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter week II Year: B

Numbers 11:25-29 Psalm 18 James 5: 1-6 Mark 9: 38-43, 45,47-48



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday; 9:30am to 12 noon

## October is dedicated to The Holy Rosary – Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is 7th October

MASSES AND SERVICE	<u></u>	<b>INTENTIONS</b>
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Ss Wenceslaus, Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs	
	Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm	
	Vigil Mass 6pm	Margaret Russell
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Confessions: 9am – 9.25am	
	Mass 9.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 30 <sup>™</sup> Sept	Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor - Memorial	
	No Mass	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Religious - Memorial	
	St Anthony's Devotions &	
	Mass 7pm	Roger Williams RIP
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	The Holy Guardian Angels - Memorial	
	Adoration: 8.30am – 9.30am	
	Mass 9.30am	Margaret Russell (SB)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Rosary 9.10am	
	Mass 9.30am	Henry Kearney RIP
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Saint Francis of Assisi, Religious - Memorial	
	Mass 9.30am	Win Littler RIP
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Saint Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska, Virgin	
	Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm	
	Vigil Mass 6pm	Barbara Hyde RIP (KC)
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Confessions: 9am – 9.25am	
	Mass 9.30am	Roger Jones

**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 & Andrea Burns.

<u>ANNIVERSARIES OCCURING ABOUT THIS TIME</u>: Brian O'Connor, Mary Booty, Winifred Banks, Winifred Littler, Fr Lawrence Burke OFM Cap. Henry Kearney, Catherine Cliffe, Gladys Campbell, Joey Fennah & Kathleen Haddock

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY 4TH OCTOBER: Collection envelopes are in the back of church this weekend

**TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY 9.30am MASS**: This week it's Steve & Rosemary with proceeds to the Homeless and next week it's Pat and Mary with proceeds to Parkinsons UK.

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

FOODBANK DONATIONS: Thanks to all who contribute. Please keep donations coming.

**AUTHORISED PERSON FOR MARRIAGES IN ST CLARE'S PARISH**: If anyone is interested in taking on this Voluntary role, please speak to Fr Patrick as soon as possible.

**SVP SUNDAY LUNCH GROUP**: will meet again on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at The Alyn On The River, Station Road, Rossett, LL12 OHE at 12.30pm PROMPT. Pre orders are required, so all those wishing to attend please contact Veronica or Catherine, by phone 01244 678825 or email catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk or after Mass on Sunday.

SINGING PRACTICE: this Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30 pm in Church

**<u>ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE</u>**: We have a single parent beneficiary needing a dropleaf dining table. Please contact us if you know of one available. Our sponsored walk fundraising initiative continues this week. Please support us if you can. Thank you for your help. God bless, Steve.

**<u>REFUGEE ASSIST</u>**: 5 bags of donations were taken to the storage unit this week. They need clothes of any kind and pots and pans. Thanks for your help.

**THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER**: For a Shared Mission: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among, priests, religious and lay people.

**ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE**: This weekend, September 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> and the first two weeks of October, 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**ST CLARE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL**: Year Five had a wonderful residential in Menai last week, the sun shone as they did stand up paddleboarding, coasteering and canoeing. We are busy preparing for the Harvest Mass next Friday morning at 9.30am, it would be wonderful if parishioners could join us. We are collecting food in school next week to be able to donate to the local foodbank.

THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Open Afternoon - Meet the Tutors. Monday 14th October, 2-3. All Welcome! Old Wrexham Road, Handbridge, CH4 7HS. No booking needed.

**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 <u>kilcoynea@christofidelis.org.uk</u>

**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: <u>kevprend@gmail.com</u> Thank you, Kevin.

**SEASON OF CREATION**: This is a global ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. It started on 1<sup>st</sup> September and finishes on the feast of St Francis, 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

**THE TRANSITUS**: For nearly 800 years, Franciscans have observed the Transitus - the passing of St. Francis from this life to the next - at sunset on October 3<sup>rd</sup> each year. The Chester community of Capuchin Franciscan friars and the Chester fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order warmly invite you to join us in celebrating the Transitus on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00 p.m. at St. Francis' Church.

**DURING ORDINARY TIME:** Up to the Feast of Christ the King, 24<sup>th</sup> November, we are asked to pray for the following 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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