Sunday 6th October 2024

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter week III Year: B

Genesis 2: 18-24; Psalm 127; Hebrews 2: 9-11;

Mark 10: 2-16 (or Mark 10: 2-12)



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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 SERVICES		<u>INTENTIONS</u>
Saturday 5 th Oct	Saint Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska, Virgin	
	Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm	
	Vigil Mass 6pm	Barbara Hyde RIP (KC)
Sunday 6 th Oct	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Confessions: 9am – 9.25am	
	Mass 9.30am	Roger Jones
Monday 7 th Oct	Day of Prayer and Fasting for peace	
	Our Lady of the Rosary - Memorial	
	No Mass	
Tuesday 8 th Oct	St Anthony's Devotions &	
	Mass 7pm	Craig Brewer RIP
Wednesday 9 th Oct	St John Henry Newman, Priest - Feast	
	Adoration: 8.30am – 9.30am	
	Mass 9.30am	Edward Craggs RIP (KC)
Thursday 10 th Oct	Rosary 9.10am	
	Mass 9.30am	Geoff Prendergast
Friday 11 th Oct	Saint John XXIII, Pope	
	Rosary 9.10am	
	Mass 9.30am	Gabriella Mansutti
Saturday 12 th Oct	Saint Wilfrid, Bishop and Missionary	
	Confessions: 5.30pm – 5.55pm	
	Vigil Mass 6pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 13 th Oct	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Day of Special Prayer for prisoners and their dependents	
	Prisons Week 13-19 October	
	Confessions: 9am – 9.25am	
	Mass 9.30am	Pat and Tessa Creighton RIP

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 and Eugene Murphy.

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURING ABOUT THIS TIME: Leonard Sutton, Patrick Gilmartin, Frances Chadwick, Mrs Cookson, Tom Walsh, Ethel McHugh, Terry Finnegan, Adam Wynne and Mary Williams.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: Please return your CAFOD envelopes, they can be put into the Offertory collection bags.

TEA AND COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY 9.30am MASS: This week it's Pat and Mary with proceeds to Parkinsons UK and next week its Sue with proceeds to CAFOD.

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

<u>DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR PEACE</u>: Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting on 7th October, the one-year anniversary of the outbreak of the Israel-Hamas war. "In this dramatic hour of our history," the Pope said, "while the winds of war and the fires of violence continue to devastate entire peoples and nations, the Christian community is reminded of its call to put itself at the service of humanity. Let us walk together, let us listen to the Lord. And let us be led by the breeze of the Spirit."

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, has affirmed Pope Francis' call for a day of prayer for peace. "In response to the developing situation, Pope Francis has called for a day of fasting and prayer" the Cardinal has written "I ask everyone to participate in a day of prayer and fasting for peace in the world."

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

ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE: We have a single parent beneficiary needing a dropleaf dining table. Please contact us if you know of one available. Please support our sponsored walk fundraising initiative. The walk is next week on Sunday 13th Oct around Neston. Sponsorship forms are on the Church lobby table and this fundraising event is important to our continued work with the Holiday Home. Please support us if you can. Thank you for your help. God bless, Steve. Please support our sponsored walk fundraising initiative. The walk is on Sunday 13th Oct around Neston. Sponsorship forms are on the Church lobby table and this fundraising event is important to our continued work with the Holiday Home. Please support us if you can. Thank you for your help. God bless, Steve.

REFUGEE ASSIST: Clothes of any kind and pots and pans needed. Thanks for past donations and your help now.

<u>THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER</u>: 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.

<u>ANNUAL MASS ATTENDANCE</u>: The annual Mass attendance count takes place on the last 2 weekends in September and the first two weeks of October, $5^{th}/6^{th}$ and $12^{th}/13^{th}$.

ST CLARE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: Our Year Four pupils had a wonderful time on residential at Tattenhall, they did pond dipping, den building and enjoyed marshmallows around a campfire. Thank you to all parishioners who were able to join us for the Harvest Mass, we were thrilled with the generosity of our school community and how much food they donated. We are praying the rosary each day in October, which is a joy to do with the children.

<u>THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL</u>: **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 kilcoynea@christofidelis.org.uk

ROSARIES: As we are in October, the month of the Rosary, we get many requests from schools for our free Rosaries. If you are available to help then please email me: kevprend@gmail.com Thank you, Kevin.

<u>SPONSORED WALK FOR CANCER RESEARCH:</u> Daphne Jones and her dog, Lizzie, are doing a sponsored walk of 62 miles during the month of October (2 miles per day) to raise money for cancer research, as so many of her family and friends have been affected by cancer, including her late husband Roger. If anyone would like to sponsor Daphne, she has a giving page: https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/daphnes-giving-page-55. Any amount, no matter how small, would be very much appreciated. Let's try to conquer this cruel disease. There is a sponsor form at the back of Church for those who don't wish to sponsor online. Daphne and her family have been Parishioners of St Clare's for many years and we wish her and of course, Lizzie, the best of luck with this challenge.

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If you wish to make a donation to St Clare's: Bank Sort Code: 30-15-52 Acct number: 54579560

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