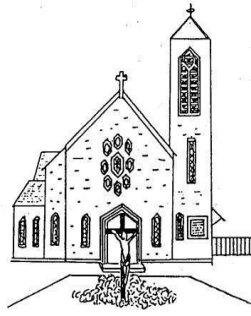


**Sunday**  
**25<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 15: 1-2. 22-29;**  
**Psalm 66;**  
**Apocalypse 21: 10-14.**  
**John 14: 23-29.**

**St. Clare of Assisi**



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***The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary***

**Masses & Devotions**

**Intentions**

Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Adoration 4:30 pm -5:30 pm Confessions 5:30 pm -6 pm <b>Mass 6pm</b>	John Andrews (RIP)
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Confessions 9-9:30 am <b>Mass 9:30am</b>	People of the Parish
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	-	-
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Saint Augustine of Canterbury</b> <b>Mass 7pm</b> (St Anthony devotions)	Natalie's 18 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Blessings
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	Edward Craggs (RIP) KC
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ascension of the Lord</b> <b>Mass 6.30pm</b> (5:30 pm Adoration)	Valerie Whitlock (RIP)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	The Armstead Family
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Adoration 4:30 pm -5:30 pm Confessions 5:30 pm -6 pm <b>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> <b>Mass 6pm</b>	Kathleen Flaherty (RIP)
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Confessions 9-9.30am <b>Mass 9:30am</b> (St Clare's Catholic children's group meeting after mass)	People of the Parish

\*\*\* (Rosary 15 minutes before 9:30 Mass each weekday, except Tuesday & Sunday, and before 6pm Mass on Saturday evening) \*\*\*  
**Please keep Pope Leo XIV in your prayers as he starts his time as successor of St Peter.**

**St Clare's Catholic children's group** - we are moving children's liturgy during mass to St Clare's Catholic children's group after mass (every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday). It will take place in the sacristy (10 mins or so), we will be pondering (and feeding our spirit!) on/(with) the scripture, as well as including craft relevant with the scripture. Children of any age are welcome. Jeremiah 15:16 *I discovered your words and I consumed them. And your word became to me as the gladness and joy of my heart. For your name has been invoked over me, O Lord, the God of hosts.*

**St Clare's SVP Conference:** We are in contact with a family locally needing a double bed and single bed. Funding may be available but if not, please let us know of any leads. Visiting continues with 2 members regularly visiting the Curzon House homeless shelter. Let us know of anyone in need and we will help if we can. Contact can be made via the website <https://stclaressvp.co.uk> or to Steve on 07838089298. Keep safe and as well as possible. God bless.

**Tea & Coffee after Sunday Mass:** This week we have Mike and Veronica hosting, with proceeds going to the Holiday Home. Next week, Jenny and Rita will be raising funds for the Church gardening group.

**Foodbank Donations:** 6kg of food was taken to the warehouse recently. Please continue to bring items in and put them on the trolley in the cupboard next to the Altar of the Sacred Heart. They will be taken to the Warehouse at the month's end. Regards, Steve.

**APF/Mission Red Box Holders:** please bring your boxes into the church to be emptied – Tony Austin

**Supporting the Vocation to Marriage & Family Life:** Join Jane Deegan, the Director of Marriage and Family Life Vocation, for a retreat day on the 7th of June 2025 between 9.30am-4.00pm in the Parish Hall of Holy Angels Church (Wicker Lane, Hale Barnes WA15 0HG). To Register and for More Information please contact: Monika at [monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:monika.golembiewska@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) or Jane at [jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org)

**Marriage Help:** Retrouvaille ([www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)) helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. The next date for the programme is the 20-22nd of June this year. Please make contact for further information (0788 7296983).

**Day of Formation in Liturgical Prayer & Sacred Music:** A day of study, prayer, music and reflection will be led by Fr Guy Nicholls, the Director of the St John Henry Newman Institute of Liturgical Music. The event will occur on Saturday the 28th of June at St Joseph's Eucharistic Shrine (Tatton Street, Stockport, SK1 1EJ). It is a practical day course beginning at 11am and ending with a sung Mass at 5pm. The event focuses on understanding the Liturgy and use of Sacred Music within Mass. The cost is £5 per person (suggested donation payable on the day). Tea/coffee and biscuits provided, but please bring a packed lunch. To book or for more information, please email [stockportshrine@gmail.com](mailto:stockportshrine@gmail.com)

**World Communications Day Collection:** Please note that this collection will be held next weekend.

**Choir:** There will be a Singing Practice this Thursday, 29th May, at 7.00 p.m. after Evening Mass - please come and learn the new Jubilee Hymn.

**Anniversaries occurring around this time:** Mary Reeves, Dorothy McHugh, John Hall, James Cavanagh, Matthew Keogh, and Winifred Mary Crosby.

**Please pray for the sick, elderly and housebound,** including Judy Kearney, Rosemary Roberts, Eileen Wyatt, Veronica Creaney, Geoffrey Prendergast, Cynthia Lloyd, Alan Challinor, Jenny Jarvis, Margaret Russell, Rob Davies and Andrea Burns.

**Parish Secretary:** Yana (Wednesday 8.30 am to 1pm)- [contact@stclares.co.uk](mailto:contact@stclares.co.uk)

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