

17<sup>th</sup> August 2025  
 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10  
 Ps 40(39):2. 3. 4. 18. R14b  
 Hebrews 12:1-4  
 Luke 12:49-53

# Saint Clare of Assisi

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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August is dedicated to  
 The Immaculate Heart  
 of Mary

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Date	Masses, Feasts and Devotions	Intentions
Saturday 16th	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Confessions 5.30pm–6pm Rosary 5.35pm <b>Mass 6pm</b>	Kevin Langan RIP
Sunday 17th	Confessions and Rosary 9–9.30am <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	People of the Parish
Monday 18th	-	-
Tuesday 19th	Mass 7.00pm	Peter Charles Byrne RIP
Wednesday 20th	<b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Martin Gardnier RIP
Thursday 21st	<b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Private Intention
Friday 22nd	Day of abstinence from meat <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Private Intention
Saturday 23rd	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Confessions 5.30pm–6pm <b>Mass 6pm</b>	Eileen Wyatt RIP
Sunday 24th	Confessions 9–9.30am Rosary & Litanies 9.05am <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	People of the Parish

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# Announcements

## St Clare's SVP Conference

September is the SVP Month and leading up to that there is a National Raffle with a top prize of £5,000. Details on the SVP notice board. £1 tickets available from any SVP member. Let us know if there is anyone who needs our help? 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 9.30 Mass

This week its Catherine and Elaine with proceeds to St Clare's SVP and next weeks its Mike and Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home.

## Foodbank Donations

Thanks to all who donate. 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 when the trolley fills. Regards Steve

## Eucharistic Minister

We need help with taking the Eucharist to the housebound. The present small team needs support and we would, be grateful for more help. Please speak to either Father Patrick or Steve Bonsall.

## Stewards

We are reaching out to invite new stewards to come forward and assist with welcoming people to our Church.

## St Clare's Feastday

St Clare's Feast Day which falls on August 11th will be celebrated in the parish on Sunday August 17th this year as is usual, in either parish grounds or parish room, depending on the weather. The event will commence at 10.30am, after the 9.30 Mass and help with this event would be greatly appreciated? List for food donations is at the back of Church.

## Sponsored Walk

Father and sons, Jim, Andy and Alex Riddell, will be taking part in the Chester Business Club's sponsored walk on Sunday 21st September to raise funds for Parkinson's UK, Chester Branch. They are walking on behalf of their wife/ Mum, Pat Riddell, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2019 and is Acting Chair of the Chester Branch of Parkinson's UK. Please consider sponsoring the Riddell boys – your contributions will be greatly appreciated and put to very good use for the benefit of people with Parkinson's. You can sponsor them on the Branch's JustGiving page here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/parkinsonschester>

Alternatively see Pat who has a sponsor form. Thank you 🍀

For more information see our website

<https://chesterparkinsons.org.uk/>

## Altar Servers

We're looking for more Altar Servers. Anyone that's completed their First Holy Communion is eligible. If you're interested, please contact Mike 07808 476299, or [mike.darby@appliedsoftware.co.uk](mailto:mike.darby@appliedsoftware.co.uk).

## Please Pray for the Sick, Elderly, and Housebound

Including Rosemary Roberts, Judy Kearney, Veronica Creaney, Geoffrey Prendergast, Cynthia Lloyd, Alan Challinor, Jenny Jarvis, Margaret Russell, Rob Davies and Andrea Burns.

## Anniversaries Occurring Around This Time

Ann Evans, Sydney Jones, John Piggott, Catherine Mills, Geoffrey Fozard, John Callaghan, Ruth McDowell, Evelyn Harrison, Rosalind Rowlands

## May They Rest in Peace