

31st August 2025
 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wisdom 9:13-18b
 Ps 90(89):3-4. 5-6. 12-13. 14, 17 R
 Philemon 9b-10, 12-17
 Luke 14:25-33

Saint Clare of Assisi

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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September is
 dedicated to Our Lady
 of Sorrows

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Date	Masses, Feasts and Devotions	Intentions
Saturday 30th Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, and Margaret Ward, Martyrs	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Rosary & Litany 5.30pm Confessions 5.30pm–6pm Mass 6pm	Peter Charles Byrn RIP
Sunday 31st 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Rosary & Litany 9am Confessions 9–9.30am Mass 9.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 1st St Thomas of Hereford, Bishop	<i>No Mass</i>	
Tuesday 2nd	Mass 7.00pm	Deceased of the Cunha Alves De Sena Family
Wednesday 3rd St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor	Rosary & Litany 9am Mass 9.30am	Kathy and Dave Craggs
Thursday 4th St Cuthbert, Bishop	Rosary & Litany 9am Mass 9.30am	Deceased Members of the Rodrigues Family Jorde Paganotto
Friday 5th	Day of abstinence from meat Mass 9.30am	Joan Wilkinson
Saturday 6th	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Rosary & Litany 5.30pm Confessions 5.30pm–6pm Mass 6pm	Thanksgiving McCarthy family
Sunday 7th 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Rosary & Litany 9am Confessions 9–9.30am Mass 9.30am	People of the Parish

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 If you wish to donate to St Clare's: Bank sort code 30 15 52
 Acct 54579560 or see Mike Russell for a standing order.

Announcements

St Clare's SVP Conference

Thanks to those who leave the ink cartridges. 40 or so sent off recently. 2 local families enjoying holidays at the Holiday Home. One last week and another this week. Raffle tickets still available. £1 each with £5000 prize. 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 it's Catherine and Elaine with proceeds to St Clare's SVP and next week it's Jenny and Rita with proceeds to the Church garden fund.

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

Details of Parish room rental

It was decided at last Parish Council meeting that the rental of the Parish room should be increased from the present £10 to £12 per hour.

Sponsored Walk

Jim, Andy and Alex Riddell will walk in the Chester Business Club sponsored walk on Sunday 21 September to raise funds for Parkinson's UK. Please consider sponsoring them — donations will directly support people with Parkinson's. Sponsor via the JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/parkinsonschester> or see sponsor form at back of Church.

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

Children's rosary group

Our next meeting is Tuesday 2nd September at 6.25 pm. Children of any age are welcome to join us. The Children's Rosary helps children to grow in holiness and become leaders in their faith. This is done through prayer groups where the children lead the Rosary. The Rosary Is Our Spiritual Weapon of Mass Destruction Against Satan.

Strengthening Family Life – Invitation to Online Sessions

A new charity, The ProFamily Foundation, is being launched to strengthen families amid the pressures of modern life. Its mission is to support marriage, equip parents, and build local hubs of friendship and formation.

All are warmly invited to join a 30-minute online presentation in September to hear more about this initiative and how you can get involved. Please see the flyer for more details.

St Clare's Catholic children's group

Our next meeting is Sunday 7th September after mass. 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.

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.

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