

7<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Wisdom 9:13-18b  
 Ps 90(89):3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 R/I  
 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
<b>Saturday 6th</b>	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Rosary, Litany, & Confessions 5.30pm <b>Mass 6pm</b>	Thanksgiving McCarthy family
<b>Sunday 7th</b> 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Rosary & Litany 9am Confessions 9–9.30am <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Monday 8th</b> Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>No Mass</i>	
<b>Tuesday 9th</b>	Mass 7.00pm	Tony Leach R.I.P.
<b>Wednesday 10th</b>	Rosary & Litany 9am <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Toby Armstead R.I.P.
<b>Thursday 11th</b>	Adoration 5.30pm <b>Mass 6.30pm</b>	Joanne Prendergast
<b>Friday 12th</b>	Day of abstinence from meat <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	Toby Armstead R.I.P.
<b>Saturday 13th</b> St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor	Adoration 4.30pm–5.30pm Rosary, Litany, & Confessions 5.30pm <b>Mass 6pm</b>	Anne Fisher birthday
<b>Sunday 14th</b> The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Rosary & Litany 9am Confessions 9–9.30am <b>Mass 9.30am</b>	People of the parish

## Message from Fr Patrick

Greetings all, hope that the Summer has been a good time. Here at the Parish it was sad to bid farewell to Pat Farrelly, he attended Mass every Saturday evening right up to his final illness. This Summer has also brought significant changes for Catholics here in Chester with Fr Paul moving on as Dean and from St Werburg's. As a Parish we wish Fr Paul well in his new appointment. It will be great to welcome back all the pupils from St Clare's school, there will be the start of year Mass on

the 10th of September at 9:30. We look forward as well to welcoming Bishop Mark for the pastoral visitation on the 26th of September at School and Sunday the 28th here at the Parish, when he will celebrate Mass for the community. All are welcome. A word of thanks to George Craggs our senior altar server who is coordinating and editing this newsletter each week. Wishing you all good in the weeks ahead.

Fr Patrick

# Announcements

## St Clare's SVP Conference

We have been advised of a couple of beneficiaries needing a visit and are setting up the same. One from National Office and another through Social Prescribing. Whilst a small team we will help where we can. 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 Jenny and Reta with proceeds to the Church garden fund and next week its Sue with proceeds to CAFOD.

## 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

## Calling all Catholic Secondary Heads and Senior Secondary School Leaders

Participation in Doctoral Research about Women Senior Leaders in RC Secondary Schools. Contact Noreen O'Neill at University of Chester [2226670@chester.ac.uk](mailto:2226670@chester.ac.uk)

## RNLI Fundraising

Chester RNLI Fundraising is holding a fish and chip supper, with the Port Sunlight Sea Dogs Shanty Band, from 7pm–10.30pm on Friday 17th October at St Mary's Creative Space, CH1 2DW. Bring your own drink. Tickets £20 from Eventbrite or Frances Hughes.

## Please join for Singing Practice

Sing a new song to the Lord. There will be a Singing Practice in the Choir Loft this Thursday, September 11th, at 7.00 pm. If God has blessed you with a voice, then please come along and join us.

## 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.*

## Special Prayer Requests

There is a box at the back of Church for people to place special prayer requests (some may be read out at Mass).

## 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/>

## 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

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