



Saint Clare of Assisi



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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) — 12th Oct 2025

If you wish to make a donation — Sort Code: 30-15-52, Account Number: 54579560

Readings

2 Kings 5:14-17
Ps 98(97):1. 2-3b. 3c-4. R1a
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19

Masses & Services

	4.30pm	Adoration
Sat	5.35pm	Rosary & Litany
11	5.35pm	Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: Patrick Farrelly
	<i>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
Sun	9.00am	Confession
12	9.05am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon	<i>Note</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
13		
Tue	7.00pm	Mass: Bethan
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Wed	<i>St Teresa of Ávila, V, D</i>	
15	9.05am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: David Ormerod RIP
Thu	4.30pm	Adoration
16	6.05pm	Rosary & Litany
	6.30pm	Mass: Private Intention
	<i>St Ignatius of Antioch, B, M</i>	
Fri	<i>Note</i>	Day of abstinence from meat
17	9.05am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: Kerry Prendergast
	<i>St Luke, Ev</i>	
Sat	4.30pm	Adoration
18	5.35pm	Rosary & Litany
	5.35pm	Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: George Craggs Birthday
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Sun	9.00am	Confession
19	9.05am	Rosary & Litany
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish

Anniversaries for the Month of October

Winifred Littler, Fr Lawrence Burke, Henry Kearney, Catherine Cliffe, Gladys Campebell, Joey Fennah, Kathleen Haddock, Leonard Sutton, Patrick Gilmartin, Frances Chadwick, Mrs Cookson, Tom Walsh, Ethel

McHugh, Terry Finnegan, Adam Wynne, Mary Williams, John Andrews, Michael Grehan, Nell Kilshaw, Teresa Byrne, Mary Sykes, Peter Walsh, Dermot Quirk, Junr Newell, Richard Griffith, Ron Chaloner, Tommy Dowd, Mary Gentile, Michael Burgess, Elizabeth Weston, George Artell, Mary Williams, Mary McCarthy, Mary Rowlands, Wilhelmina Callaghan, Dorothy Bell

May They Rest In Peace

Please Pray for the Sick, Elderly, and House-bound

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

If anyone is in need of a visit or Holy Communion, please let Fr Patrick know.

Message from Fr Patrick

It was great to have the entire school community at Mass last Wednesday, to hear about your reflections on prayer, the beautiful singing, as well as the altar servers and readers. Many thanks to all who prepared, praised Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, and gave thanks for the harvest.

These weeks in October present us with a good opportunity to give thanks for the beauty of creation and the wonders of God's gifts to us. It also reminds us to reach out to those who hunger and thirst in our world, and to advocate for those who do not have an equal share of the earth's resources.

I was struck by something I heard on the radio: when we see a beautiful landscape or something wondrous in our natural world, we can say, "My Father made this."

This Sunday, the gospel message is about thanksgiving: Our Lord healed the lepers, but only one returned to give thanks. May we always be people who have the "attitude of gratitude."

Fr Patrick Breeze

St Clare's SVP Conference — Raffle Results & Holiday Home Sponsored Walk

The winning numbers of the raffle you generously entered in August/September are posted on the SVP noticeboard in the lobby entrance.

SVP members are holding a sponsored walk this Sunday, starting in the church car park at 2:30 p.m. Sponsorship can be made using the URL below or the QR code displayed on the noticeboards in the lobby.

The Holiday Home helps those in our parish who are less well off to enjoy a holiday, sometimes for the first time. Please help using the QR code or the URL <https://stclares.co.uk/s/svp-holiday-home-2025>.

Thanks, Steve

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass

This week Reta and friends will provide tea and coffee, with proceeds to the Church gardening fund, and next week it's Catherine and Elaine, with proceeds to St Clare's SVP.

Foodbank Donations

Thank you to everyone who donates. A total of 38 kg of food you provided and 134 kg from the Harvest Festival, provided by the schoolchildren and parents, were taken to the warehouse this week. Please continue to bring items 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 is full.

Regards, Steve

World Mission Sunday Collection

Please note that this collection will be held next week-end.

Pilgrimage of Hope Replaces Cancelled Day – Oct 18, Shrewsbury

The planned Day of Reflection for the Lourdes Hospital-ity has had to be cancelled. We will instead, undertake a 'Pilgrimage of Hope', on the same day (Sat 18 Oct) at Shrewsbury Cathedral. This will take place mid-morning until mid-afternoon, approximately (exact times to be finalised). Lunch can be purchased at the Cathedral or bring your own. Please contact Siobhan at hospitality@dioceseofshrewsbury.org for more information

Foundation Governor Positions Open

The Catholic High School is looking for two foundation governors to start straight away. You do not have to be a parent of a child in the school, but you must be a practicing Catholic.

Visit www.educationshrewsbury.org/governance.

You would need the signature of your parish priest to confirm you are a practicing Catholic, and safeguarding checks would be required if successful.

Kitchen Vacancies at Catholic High School

The Catholic High School has a couple of vacancies in the school kitchen. Visit <https://www.christofidelis.org.uk/vacancies> for more details, or contact Mr Kilcoyne, School Business Manager, on 01244 952 788 for an informal discussion.

Free Rosaries

If you or your children do not already own a rosary, there are free rosaries at the back of the church, compliments of the Catenian Rosary group. There are also "How to Pray the Rosary" cards, which contain all the prayers and mysteries. There are also cards with Our Blessed Lady's promise to St. Dominic, and 31 quotes by saints and popes on the value of praying the rosary—one for each day of the average month.

Please endeavour to pray the rosary during this special month of October dedicated to the Holy Rosary, and ideally join with parishioners to pray it before every Mass except Tuesday morning.

Help Wanted: Wednesday Coffee Mornings

We're looking for volunteers to set up, serve, and clean up each Wednesday. If you'd like to help, please let Fr. Patrick know. Catholics and non-Catholics are welcome!

Parish Secretary

A vacancy for a Parish Secretary at St Clare's Parish, Downsfield Road, Chester, CH4 8HH. 4 hours per week at £14 per hour.

For further details, please see the Diocesan Website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>.

CV and covering letter should be sent to Pauline McCulloch at recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org. Closing date: Friday 17 October 2025.

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