



Saint Clare of Assisi



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The Holy Family (Year A) — 28th Dec 2025 & 2nd Sunday of Christmas (Year A) — 4th Jan 2026

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

Readings

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Ps 128(127):1-2. 3. 4-5. R1a
Colossians 3:12-21
Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

for The Holy Family

Masses & Services

	<i>St John, Ap, Ev</i>	
Sat	5.30pm	Rosary
27	5.30pm	Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: Martin Kilduff
	<i>The Holy Family</i>	
Sun	9.00am	Rosary
28	9.00am	Confession
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon	<i>St Thomas Becket, B, M</i>	
29	Note	No Mass
Tue	<i>6th day within the octave of Christmas</i>	
30	7.00pm	Mass: Peter Cooke, Cecilia Davies
Wed	<i>7th day within the octave of Christmas</i>	
31	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Thu	<i>Mary, the Holy Mother of God</i>	
1	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
	<i>Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, B, D</i>	
Fri	Note	Day of abstinence from meat
2	9.00am	Rosary
	9.30am	Mass: Lyn Priestly
	<i>Saturday of the Christmas Season</i>	
Sat	5.30pm	Confession
3	5.30pm	Rosary
	6.00pm	Mass: Olive Conde
	<i>2nd Sunday of Christmas</i>	
Sun	9.00am	Rosary
4	9.00am	Confession
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon	<i>Monday of the Christmas Season</i>	
5	Note	No Mass
Tue	<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	
6	7.00pm	Mass: People of the Parish
Wed	<i>Wednesday after Epiphany</i>	
7	9.30am	Mass: Michael Prendergast

Readings

Sirach 24:1-2, 8-12
Ps 147: 12-13. 14-15. 19-20. R12a
Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18
John 1:1-18

for 2nd Sunday of Christmas

Masses & Services

Thu	<i>Thursday after Epiphany</i>	
8	Note	No Mass
	<i>Friday after Epiphany</i>	
Fri	Note	Day of abstinence from meat
9	9.00am	Rosary
	9.30am	Mass: Isobel Prendergast
	<i>Saturday after Epiphany</i>	
Sat	4.30pm	Adoration
10	5.30pm	Rosary
	5.30pm	Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: Murphy Family, Andy and Anna
	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	
Sun	9.00am	Confession
11	9.00am	Rosary
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish

Please keep in your prayers those who have passed away

Sarah Russell, Pauline Cain, Zygmunt Weselak, Peter Drake and Kathleen Timmins.

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 wonderful as a priest to be able to offer the Mass this Christmas. I hope that you all celebrate the 12 days with joy. This Sunday, Paul and Pascal will be playing, and next week it will be Ann and the choir. Many thanks to all who help out in the church. We work together *Ad maiorem Dei gloriam!*

Just a note as we enter the New Year: the Mass makes present the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. There is no greater prayer, because the Mass is the perfect offering of the Son of God to God the Father. A priest may apply each Mass he celebrates for a particular intention; the usual offering is around 10 pounds to support the church and keep things running. Intentions can be accepted or rejected, and there is also an option to amalgamate several intentions.

St Clare's SVP

Happy New Year!!! Thank you for your support of our conference throughout the year :-)

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass

This week it's Mike and Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home. Next week it's Jenny and Reta with proceeds to the gardening fund.

Sunday Music — 28th Dec (The Holy Family)

Gathering Hymn: O little town of Bethlehem — 127

Penitential Rite: Kyrie eleison — 519

Gloria: New Celtic Liturgy — 529

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128

Antiphon: Blessed are all who fear the Lord and walk in His way.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia x 8

Verse: Let the peace of Christ reign in your heart; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Alleluia x 8

Reflection: Gabriel's Message — 113

Holy, holy: New Celtic — 553

Eucharistic Acclamation: New Celtic — 554c: Save us . . .

Great Amen: New Celtic — 555

Lamb of God: New Celtic — 591

Communion: In the bleak midwinter — 144

Final Carol: Joy to the Lord — 156

Tea and Coffee after Wednesday 9.30 Mass

Volunteers needed to serve tea and coffee after Wed 9.30 Mass. please speak to Father Patrick

Foodbank Donations

Thanks for all your donations through the year. Please keep these coming and put them in the store next to the Chapel of the Sacred Heart.

Sunday Music — 4th Jan (2nd Sun After Nativity)

Gathering: In the land there is a hunger — 976

Gloria: Mass of Saint Paul

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 147

Antiphon: The word became flesh and lived among us.

Gospel Acclamation: Jubilee Alleluia — 541

Reflection: Child in the manger — 141

Holy, holy: Mass of Saint Paul

Eucharistic Acclamation: Mass of St.Paul — We proclaim . . .

Great Amen: (St.Louis Jesuits)

Amen! Alleluia! For ever and ever, for ever, alleluia, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God: Mass of Hope — 592

Post-Communion Hymn: Be still for the presence of the Lord — 720

Final Hymn: Songs of Thankfulness and praise — 172 verses 1,4 and 5

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