



Saint Clare of Assisi



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4th Sunday of Easter (Year A) — 26th Apr 2026

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Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1
1 Peter 2:20b-25
John 10:1-10

The month of April is dedicated to The Holy Spirit

Masses & Services

	<i>St Mark, Ev</i>	
Sat	4.30pm	Adoration
25	5.30pm	Rosary & Confession
	6.00pm	Mass: Christine Fachney RIP
Sun	<i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	
26	9.00am	Confession & Rosary
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish
Mon	<i>Monday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i>	
27	Note	No Mass
Tue	<i>Tuesday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i>	
28	6.30pm	Confession
	7.00pm	Mass: Pat and Tessa Creighton RIP
Wed	<i>St Catherine of Siena, V, D</i>	
29	9.00am	Rosary & Confession & Adoration
	9.30am	Mass: Patricia Bayliss RIP
Thu	<i>Thursday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i>	
30	5.30pm	Adoration
	6.30pm	Mass: Private Intention
Fri	<i>Friday of the 4th week of Eastertide</i>	
1	Note	Day of abstinence from meat
	9.00am	Rosary
	9.30am	Mass: Charlotte Jackson
	10.00am	Adoration
Sat	<i>St Athanasius, B, D</i>	
2	4.30pm	Adoration
	5.30pm	Confession & Rosary
	6.00pm	Mass: Paddy & Imy O'Connor RIP 50th Anniversary
Sun	<i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	
3	9.00am	Rosary & Confession
	9.30am	Mass: People of the Parish

Pray for the Departed on their Anniversaries

Whiteley Jacqueline, Kelly Kenneth Victor, Hare Annie,
Alan Challinor

Pray for the Sick, Elderly, and Housebound

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

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

Quote of the Week

"Christ is a light unto our ways, and a lanthorn unto our paths. He is our Shepherd, and the sheep know His voice. If we are His sheep, we shall hear it, recognise it, and obey it." – Doctor of the Church, St John Henry Newman (*Sermon 16*)

(Lanthorn is the old spelling for Lantern)

Baptism this Sunday

This Sunday, little James will be baptised at 11:00 o'clock. Special congratulations to Scott and Siobhan, as well as to his brother George.

A warm word of welcome to all family and friends, as you join together to support and pray for this wonderful family on this special celebration.

St Clare's Catholic Children's Group

We are meeting this Sunday (26 April) after Mass in the sacristy (about 10 minutes). We will be pondering and feeding our spirit with the Scripture, and we will include a craft relevant to the Scripture with Janine, next week with Janka. Children of any age are welcome.

Jeremiah (Old Testament Prophet) 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."

St Clare's SVP Conference

Two more St. Clare's parish families booked with the Holiday Home this week. We now have eight families booked, and fifteen families from the district. The Holiday Home is a welcome option for those who would otherwise not get a holiday.

Visiting continues with those in need, and they are benefiting from kind words and attention. If there is anyone in need, please let us know.

God bless.
Steve (SVP volunteer)

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass

This week its Mike and Veronica with proceeds to the Holiday Home and next week its Reta and Jenny with proceeds to the Church gardening group.

Tea & Coffee after Wednesday 9.30 Mass

Volunteers are sought to help with tea and coffee after Wed Mass, particularly the 3rd and 4th weeks of the month. Please see Father Patrick for details.

Foodbank Donations

Please continue to bring items in and place 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

St Clare's School Climbing Frame

We are trying to raise £20,000 to purchase a new climbing frame for the School playground. Our target this year is £10,000. If you would like to help, then donations can be made at our just giving page <https://gofund.me/5aac10635>. Every little helps. Thank you. St Clare's School PTA.

St Clare's Primary School

We have had a wonderful first week back after the Easter holidays. The children heard in the Gospel of the Road to Emmaus and reflected on how Jesus is always with us. This week, we have had a swimming pool installed on our playground. It will take a week to fill and heat, so it will be ready for swimming lessons following the May Bank Holiday.

We are looking forward to some of our pupils receiving the Sacrament of First Forgiveness on Tuesday this week.

Please keep these children in your prayers,
Mrs Lucy Ward, Headteacher.
<https://www.stclares.cheshire.sch.uk/contact>

How to lead groups in reflective prayer

Join us for a short online formation course building the skills and confidence needed to hold and guide groups of those who wish to deepen their relationship with Jesus, in conversation with others, through reflectively praying with gospel texts.

Time: **Tuesday evenings, 6.30 p.m.–8.30 p.m.**
Dates: **April 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26, June 9**
www.jesuitinstitute.org/events

Job Vacancies

Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team Programme Coordinator and Youth Mission Team Member. Closing date Friday 29 April 2026.
<https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

With Gratitude

Heartfelt gratitude for the stunning flowers that adorned our Church over Easter, they truly looked amazing and added so much beauty to the Church. Thank you to all who contributed to the flower especially to Kath, Esme and Meryl for their hard work.

I would like to extend my thanks to our talented organists, Bob and Joseph. The music they provided over Easter was truly uplifting and helped to create a wonderful atmosphere of prayer, thanks to all in the music group. Thank you as well to Reta for your musical contribution.

Thanks as well to our altar servers for their dedication to serving over Easter and Eastertide thank you George, Mike, Max and David.

Servite Domino in laetitia!
Fr Patrick

Sunday Music

(Readings at page 285 in blue book)
268 Alleluia Alleluia give thanks to the risen Lord
1002 Gloria (Belmont)
Offertory **803** Love is His word, love is His way
Holy **1014** (Mass Christ Saviour)
We proclaim **1015** and Lamb **1019**
Prayerful organ voluntary during communion
Final Blessing
Regina Caeli **368**
286 This joyful Eastertide

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