



St Clare of Assisi Catholic Church

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Psalter Week II

30th August 2020

Year of The Word

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BISHOP MARK WRITES:

REOPENING OF PARISH PREMISES TO HIRERS/THIRD PARTIES.

I have been advised that we should undertake this re-opening by a phased approach starting with parishes' long-standing contractual hirers, subject to current Government guidelines from 1st September.

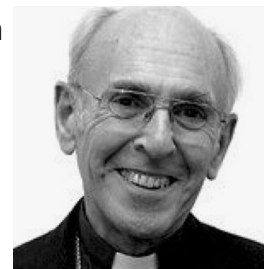
Before any group will be allowed to use parish premises, the parish buildings have to be prepared and the management of the parish halls/premises must undertake an appropriate risk assessment to ensure they are Covid-19 Secure, similar to the preparation undertaken to reopen our churches. In addition, all third-party users or hirers will be expected to provide the hall management with their written Covid-19 Secure arrangements.

We shall inform parishioners and the general public once we get through with the required process for reopening our Parish Room.

REMEMBERING BISHOP BRIAN NOBLE

Bishop Brian was ordained Bishop at Saint Anthony's, Wythenshawe on 30th August 1995. I had discussed with Bishop Brian plans for a Diocesan Mass of Thanksgiving for his Episcopal Silver Jubilee which would have taken place on Bank Holiday Monday at Saint Michael and All Angels, Woodchurch.

I write principally today to ask you to remember Bishop Brian at Mass on Sunday 30th August, The anniversary will be an opportunity for us to pray for him and give thanks to God for all the years of his life and service of the Diocese. May he rest now in peace.



WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday 15th Aug 6.00pm, Drive in Mass giving the opportunity for the sick or elderly or anyone else to stay in their car if they so wish.

Sunday 16th Aug 9.30 am

Wednesday 19th Aug 9.30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 11.00 am - 11.40 am, or call the parish to book at any **time**.

BAPTISMS

If you want to have your child baptised please contact Fr. Emeka or call the parish office to book. Those booked before the lockdown kindly get in touch with the parish office. Note that there will not be more than 30 in attendance.

Our sick, elderly, housebound and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. New names are in Bold Type. Please remember to pray for them each day as they carry their cross ,

Dot Bell, Veronica Creaney, W. Downes, Mary Frain, Michelle Gentile, Katie Gray, Gwyn Harris, Lorna Jarvis, Judy Kearney, Ann Leach, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Kevin McCarthy, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Mark Wilson.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Bishop Brain Noble RIP

Monday: Joan Wilkinson

Tuesday: Kevin McCarthy

Wednesday: The Shea Family

Thursday: Paul and Joan Pelington

Friday: Joanne Prendergast

Saturday: Kim Wilson

If you wish for a Mass to be offered contact Fr. Emeka or the parish office



ST CLARE'S SVP CONFERENCE

This week we have been asked for a child's bed whilst we have been offered a carpet. Unfortunately, the SVP district does not have any storage facilities and provision of such would be too costly. The SVP furniture store in Ellesmere Port closed several years ago being superseded by charity shops (Closed due to Covid). Conference members do use their spare space such as garages for storage and I have 2 carpets in mine. The president of Birkenhead district has her garage and spare bedroom full of items hoping for good homes. The local foodbank continues in its "Covid" operation providing food boxes. Government and council help must be good as there a relatively few people needing food help. Keep safe and well. God bless. Steve

YEAR OF THE WORD

The novelty of biblical revelation consists in the fact that God becomes known through the dialogue which he desires to have with us ...the unseen God "from the fullness of his love, addresses men and women as his friends, and lives among them, in order to invite and receive them into his own company".-Pope Benedict *"Verbum Domini"* 6

THE REALITY OF ABORTION BY FORMER PROVIDER

Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood clinic director turned pro-life activist, described one occasion when, assisting with an ultrasound-guided abortion at a Planned Parenthood clinic, the "barbarity" of abortion was made clear to her: "Nothing prepared me for what I saw on the screen: an unborn baby fighting back, desperate to move away from the suction. The last thing I saw was a spine twirling around in the mother's womb before succumbing to the force of the suction." - *SPUC News*

ROSARY CORNER

Mary has recommended the Rosary at Lourdes and Fatima because of it's exceptional value for us and our times. - *St. Pio of Pietrelcina*



St Clare's Catholic Primary School

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all our lovely pupils back next Wednesday 2nd September. Staff have worked hard to ensure safety measures are in place. We will be contacting all families through Parent Mail to share details. A special welcome to all our new families who are joining the community of St Clare's for the first time.



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