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Psalter Week IV TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 15th Oct 2023

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong nor path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, for ever and ever. Amen
Our Lady of Unfailing Help...Pray for us

MASSES & SERVICES

INTENTIONS

Sat 14th Oct	<i>-Ferial</i> Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace Rosary 5.40pm Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Mike Fisher
Sun 15th Oct	TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <u>NOTE:</u> Exposition 8.45-9.15am Mass 9.30am DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER FOR WORLD MISSIONS	Kerry Prendergast RIP
Mon 16th Oct	<i>-Ferial</i> Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am	Shiela Harrington RIP
Tues 17th Oct	<i>-St Ignatius of Antioch</i> Mass & St Anthony Devotions-7pm	Toby Armstead
Wed 18th Oct	<i>-ST LUKE</i> Exposition 8.45-9.30am Mass 9.30am	For all the sick (Mass with anointing)
Thurs 19th Oct	<i>-St Peter Alcantara</i> Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am	Helen Mansutti
Fri 20th Oct	<i>-Ferial</i> Rosary 9.10am Mass 9.30am FRIDAY ABSTINENCE	Kerry Prendergast RIP
Sat 21st Oct	<i>-Ferial</i> Exposition 10.30-11.30am –Holy Hour for Peace Rosary 5.40pm Vigil Mass 6.00pm	Bishop Brian Noble (anniv)
Sun 22nd Oct	TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Mass 9.30am	Catherine & Mark Maher (anniv) & Eileen Fish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION– Saturday 10.30-11.30am and on request

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURING ABOUT THIS TIME

Teresa Byrne, Mary Sykes, Peter Walsh, Dermot Quirk and June Newell.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

THE SICK ELDERLY AND HOUSE BOUND

and those in care homes are important members of our parish community. Trisha Cannon, Veronica Creaney, Mike Darby. W. Downes, Jenny Guest, Lorna Jarvis, Mary, Judy Kearney, Peter Lloyd, Rosemary McCabe, Rosemary Roberts, Gwen Spurr, Krysia Wesalak, Eileen Wyatt, Sarah Russell
If anyone is in need of a visit / Holy Communion, please let Fr Bernard know 01244 671015

PLEASE NOTE: DURING OCTOBER

There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **before Sunday 9.30am Mass (8.45-9.15am)** and we pray the Rosary together at 9.00am.

THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met with Fr Bernard during the week for a productive meeting. The next meeting will be held on Tues 21st November. If you have anything you would like discussed at that meeting please have a word with one of the council members (details at the back of church) or send an email to contact@stclares.co.uk

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 9.30 am MASS (in the Parish Room)

This week tea and coffee will be provided by Catherine and Elaine with proceeds to the St Clare's SVP. Veronica will have jam and books for sale with proceeds to the homeless. The following week its Mike and Veronica for the Holiday Home.

Please join us especially if you are new to the parish or just visiting

FAMILY FAST DAY OFFERINGS

When so many are suffering from hunger and want, please remember that your offerings from the recent Family Fast Day may be placed in the offertory bag, any time up to the end of October

HEALING MASS AT ST WERBURGH'S THIS SUNDAY 2.30pm

"Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11) An invitation to pray, meditate and reflect. Stay and chat after Mass - refreshments will be provided by the SVP.

SHREWSBURY DIOCESE CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE

Next Saturday 21st October beginning at 10am, The Shrewsbury Diocese Catechetical Conference - 'A Witness of Faith and a Keeper of the Memory of God' (Directory of Catechesis, 139) will be held at Saint Columba's Church Hall, Chester. This event will be presented by the Dominican Sisters of Saint Joseph and the Mission for Catechesis Team All catechists from Shrewsbury Diocese are warmly invited to attend. Please see the flyers at the back of the church. For further details and to book please follow: [Shrewsbury Diocese Catechetical Conference Tickets, Sat 21 Oct 2023 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shrewsbury-diocese-catechetical-conference-tickets-68548488207)

FREE ROSARIES IN PORCH

If you do not have a Rosary and are perhaps a little unfamiliar with the prayers There are free adult and children's Rosaries in the porch,



SVP CONFERENCE

30 plus Adults and Children took part in our Sponsored Walk last Sunday. A great turnout for a lovely day. Thanks to all the sponsors. The Just giving page is still open.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/Chester-Ellesmere-port-holiday-home-2023-1693911802120>

The SVP teams 3 yearly safeguarding training will be done at the next meeting on Monday. Safeguarding and DBS certification keeps beneficiaries and members safe. Information about St Clare's SVP Conference can be found at <https://stclaressvp.co.uk>. Keep safe and as well as possible this week. God bless. Steve

SUNDAY LUNCH GATHERING

The Sunday Lunch in Nov will be at the White Swan in Great Sutton CH66 3NZ. All places are taken, but for information contact Catherine on 01244 678825 or catherine117hg@hotmail.co.uk

HIGHLIGHT FROM THE HIGH

The CHSC second-hand uniform shop will be open on Monday 16th October between 2pm and 3pm in the school canteen. Uniform items, PE Kits and winter coats are available to buy.



St Clare's Catholic Primary School



Thank you to all the parishioners who donated food or were able to join us for our Harvest Mass celebration on Wednesday. We were able to donate 87kg of food to a local food bank.

Pupils in Year Three enjoyed Father Bernard teaching them about the sacrament of Baptism in church on Thursday. We were given a Candle of Hope, which was lit and shared in our assembly to offer our prayers of hope to those in need.

