



Saint Clare of Assisi



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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) — 5th July 2026

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

Readings

Zechariah 9:9-10

Ps 145(144):1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13c-14, R cf. 1

Romans 8:9, 11-13

Matthew 11:25-30

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Masses & Services

Sun 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 9.00am Confession & Rosary
9.30am Mass: People of the Parish

Mon Ferial

6 Note No Mass

Tue Ferial

7 6.30pm Confession
7.00pm Mass: Kathleen Kelly 101st Birthday Celebrations

Wed Ferial

8 9.00am Confession & Rosary
9.30am Mass: Sarah Russell RIP

Thu Ferial

9 Note No Mass

Fri Ferial

10 Note Day of abstinence from meat
9.00am Rosary
9.30am Mass: Fr Gerard Intentions

Sat St Benedict, Ab, Co-Patron of Europe

11 5.30pm Confession & Rosary
6.00pm Mass: Fr Neill Rob & Family Intentions

Sun 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

12 9.00am Confession & Rosary
9.30am Mass: People of the Parish

Pray for the Sick, Elderly, and Housebound

Including: Nina Clayton, Joanne Grainger, 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.

Pray for the Departed on their Anniversaries

William Heffernan, James Davies, Vincent Franks, Anthony Gentile, Samuel Arthur Williams, Ann Evans, Sydney Jones, John Edward Piggott, Catherine Mills, John Michael Callaghan, Ruth Phyllis McDowell

Quote

"He is not past, He is present now."

St John Henry Newman (1801-1890) on the presence of Christ in the Mass that we are called to each Sunday.

Gregorian Chant

It is wonderful to hear all the singing, both from the school and when we praise God together at Mass every Sunday. At Mass, Gregorian Chant has a privileged place, as taught by the Second Vatican Council (SC 116), and it is wonderful to be incorporating music into our repertoire that is fundamentally Catholic. This is the chant that would have been sung by Saint Francis and Saint Clare, as well as countless other faithful over the centuries. Pope Benedict XVI was one of the most prominent modern champions of Gregorian chant, describing it as the "supreme model of sacred music."

Much of this music can be found free at <https://gregorian-chant-hymns.com>.

Please do get in touch if you are interested in learning more.

Apostleship of the Sea

Please note that this collection will be held next weekend.

St Clare's SVP Conference

Please keep the inkjet cartridges coming. They provide a small, but useful, addition to the Holiday Home funds.

One large family was taken to the Holiday Home on Saturday by kind parishioners, and next week, on their return, another large family will go for a week. The Holiday Home is the only way these large families have a chance to get away. Please keep those in need in your prayers. God bless, Steve.

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9.30 Mass

This week it's Reta, with proceeds to the church gardening group, and next week the proceeds go to CAFOD.

Tea & Coffee after Wednesday 9.30 Mass

Volunteers are sought to help with the tea and coffee after Wednesday Mass, particularly in the third and fourth 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 fills.

Regards, Steve.

St Clare's School Fundraising

The PTA is fundraising to provide equipment for the school. Details on how to donate are available at the SVP table in the Church lobby. A £1 donation is all that's needed. We especially need more backers for the project, not just higher amounts. Please help.

Music Night

This event is close at hand. The last tickets are on sale this weekend. The Ladies Choir, "A Handbag of Harmonies," will entertain us with music for those of us in our older years. Come along and enjoy. Tickets are available now from SVP members. Steve.

New Dawn Evening

Join us for the New Dawn Evening at All Saints Catholic Church, Redclyffe Road, Manchester M41 7LG, on Thursday 9 July 2026.

Everyone is welcome. Parking is available on site.

St Clare's Catholic Children's Group

We are meeting this Sunday, 5 July, after Mass in the sacristy for about 10 minutes or so. We will be pondering the Scripture, and feeding our spirit, as well as including a craft relevant to the Scripture with Janka. The following week will be Samantha. Children of any age are welcome.

Faith, Fun, and Friendship

Children's Rosary Group

Our July meetings are Tuesday 7 and 14 at 6:25 p.m. The Children's Rosary helps children grow in holiness and become leaders in their faith. This is done through prayer groups where the children lead the Rosary. Children of any age are welcome to join us.

"The Rosary is a spiritual sword made by God." (Father Donald H. Calloway, MIC, the Marians' vice provincial and vocations director.)

Sea Sunday Volunteer Needed

Stella Maris, formerly Apostleship of the Sea, is seeking one volunteer from the parish for Sea Sunday on 11 and 12 July. The volunteer will read out the appeal, which Stella Maris will provide, at the end of Masses that weekend.

If you can help, please contact roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org.

We Believe Festival

The We Believe Festival of Catholic Life takes place at St Mary's College, Oscott, from 24 to 27 July 2026.

There is content for every age. Book a place here: <https://www.webeliefefestival.com/>.

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality

Shrewsbury Lourdes Hospitality will be holding a pre-departure Mass and meeting on Saturday 11 July at St Columba's Church, Plas Newton Lane, Chester CH2 1SA. We will join the Youth Section at 12 noon for Mass, followed by a meeting at 1:30 p.m. Please bring a packed lunch. All members of the Hospitality are welcome.

Sunday Music

Entrance Antiphon
807 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
501 Kyrie from Missa Orbis Factor
529 Glory to God (Celtic Liturgy)
1003 Gospel Acclamation (Belmont)
795 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
553 Holy, Holy, Holy (Celtic)
554a We Proclaim (Celtic)
555 Amen (Celtic)
591 Lamb of God (Celtic)
Communion Antiphon
728 O God Beyond All Praising (tune of this is Jupiter/I Vow to Thee My Country)

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Email newsletter@stclares.co.uk to request to be added to the list. We will send this newsletter weekly, and occasionally some mid-week updates. To include a news item, please send it there by Wednesday.

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