



Saint Clare of Assisi



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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) — 26th July 2026

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

Readings

1 Kings 3:5-6a, 7-12

Ps 119(118):57, 72. 76-77. 127-128. 129-130. 197a

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Masses & Services

Sat *St James, Ap***25**

4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Kathleen Brennan RIPSun *17th Sunday in Ordinary Time***26**

9.00am Confession & Rosary

9.30am Mass: People of the ParishMon *Ferial***27***Note No Mass*Tue *Ferial***28**

6.00pm Adoration

6.30pm Confession

7.00pm Mass: Carson Family ThanksgivingWed *Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus***29**

9.00am Adoration & Confession & Rosary

9.30am Mass: Marlene Robb RIPThu *Ferial***30***Note Day of special prayer for Europe*

5.30pm Adoration

6.30pm MassFri *St Ignatius Loyola, P***31***Note Day of abstinence from meat*

9.00am Rosary

**9.30am Mass: Francesca & Conor Meehan
Wedding Anniversary**

10.00am Adoration

Sat *St Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori, B, D***1**

4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Margaret O'Sullivan RIPSun *18th Sunday in Ordinary Time***2**

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, 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

Janet Orange, Ann O'Gorman, Andrew Caldwell, Timothy Joseph O'Mahoney, Bernadette Mary Clark, John Ernest Wilkins, Veronica Farrell, Albert Hassell

Quote

"O sacrum convivium! in quo Christus sumitur, recolitur memoria passionis eius, mens impletur gratia, et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur. Alleluia."

O sacred banquet! In which Christ is received, the memory of his Passion is recalled, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

St. Thomas Aquinas

Funeral of Judy Kearney RIP

Judy Kearney's funeral will be on Monday, 3 August, at 11:30 a.m., here in St Clare's.

Funeral of Angela Walshe RIP

Angela's funeral will be on Thursday 6 August. There will be a reception to remember her life at 10:00 a.m. in the Lache Community Centre next door, followed by a Funeral Mass at 12:00 midday here in St Clare's, and interment at Blacon Cemetery. All are welcome to come and remember Angela.

Fr Patrick's Message

A big thank you from Fr Humphrey, Fr Stephen, and myself for the celebrations for the 5-year anniversary. Ad multos!

Jesus4UsAll Testimonies

Two of our parishioners, Charlotte and Janka, are part of a healing ministry called Jesus4UsAll.com. In the new magazine, they share testimonies about Jesus calling them to be His disciples. You can

read about their journey here: <https://jesus4usall.com/magazine-summer-2026-issue-12a/>

St Clare's SVP Conference

The conference is receiving many requests for help due to the cost-of-living crisis. Redundancy, difficulty accessing benefits, and the failure of white goods for large families cause serious problems. Working with our partners, and with some use of the funds you so generously give us, we are able to help in most of these cases. Please keep those in need in your prayers. God bless. Steve.

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9:30 AM Mass

This week it's Mike and Veronica, with proceeds going to the Holiday Home. Next week, proceeds will go to the church gardening group, which is doing such a marvellous job of keeping the gardens blooming.

Divine Retreat Centre, Pantasaph – August 2026

Join us this August for a month of prayer, healing, and spiritual renewal at the Divine Retreat Centre, Pantasaph. All are warmly welcome.

Highlights include the First Saturday Devotion on Saturday 1 August, a Young Adults Retreat from Friday 7 August to Sunday 9 August, a Marian Evening on Saturday 15 August for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and a St Pio & St Vincent Deliverance and Healing Convention on Saturday 22 August.

For further information, and to register for the Young Adults Retreat, visit www.divinepantasaph.org or contact the Retreat Centre.

Flame of Love Conference

The Flame of Love Annual Conference will take place on Friday 18 and Saturday 19 September 2026 at Olton Friary, St Bernard's Road, Solihull, Birmingham, B92 7BL.

Join us for two days of faith, fellowship, and spiritual renewal as we explore the message of the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The conference will feature inspiring talks, praise and worship, workshops, fellowship, and a healing service.

Everyone is warmly welcome. For further information, visit <https://www.flameoflove.org.uk> or email info@flameoflove.org.uk.

Badminton Group

St Columba's Badminton Group meets on Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in St Columba's Hall, and is looking for new members. Mixed group, all ages, all abilities welcome.

New Dawn Evenings

"Come to Me and drink" — John 7:37–38

Join us each month for an uplifting evening of praise and worship, inspiring teaching, the Sacraments, and

personal prayer ministry. It is a time to reconnect with the Lord and with one another, and an opportunity to be renewed, restored, and strengthened in fellowship.

When: Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Where: All Saints Church, Redclyffe Road, Manchester, M41 7LG

Marriage in a Rut?

Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates: 2–4 October 2026. Visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info or call 0788 729 6983.

Quiet Retreats for Adults

During October half term 2026, Castlerigg Manor is running a quiet retreat for individual adults who want to spend a few days of peace, relaxation, and prayer in the Lake District. Each day there will be a talk, Mass, and evening prayer, and then plenty of time to explore the area, pray, or simply relax. Book at castleriggmanor.com/events or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk.

Catholic Holidays in the Lake District

During August and September 2026, Castlerigg Manor is opening its doors to families, groups of friends, or private individuals who are looking for an affordable stay in the Lake District. Breakfast and an evening meal are provided, and Mass is celebrated on site. For more information, visit castleriggmanor.com/stay-with-us or contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk / 017687 72711.

Sunday Music

820 Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God
501 Kyrie XI (Orbis Factor)
1002 Gloria
1003 Gospel Acclamation
Responsorial Psalm: *"O Lord, how I love Your law!"*
970 Be Thou My Vision
1005 Holy, Holy, Holy
1008 Memorial Acclamation 3
1009 Amen
1011 Lamb of God
908 Blest Are the Pure in Heart

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