



Saint Clare of Assisi



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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) — 30th August 2026

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

Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Ps 63(62):2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9. R2b

Romans 12:1-2

Matthew 16:21-27

August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Masses & Services

Sat *The Beheading of St John the Baptist***29** 4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Chris & Helen Brown Wedding Celebration and Florence Cordelia Humphries RIPSun *22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time***30** 9.00am Confession & Rosary**9.30am Mass: People of the Parish**Mon *Ferial***31** Note No MassTue *Ferial***1** 6.00pm Adoration

6.30pm Confession

7.00pm Mass: Angela Walshe RIPWed *Ferial***2** 9.00am Adoration & Confession & Rosary**9.30am Mass: Geoff Prendergast Birthday**Thu *St Gregory the Great, Pp, D***3** 5.30pm Adoration**6.30pm Mass: Judy Kearny RIP**Fri *Ferial***4** Note Day of abstinence from meat

9.00am Rosary

9.30am Mass: Callum Davies Birthday

10.00am Adoration

Sat *Ferial***5** 4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Dave & Kathy Craggs Wedding AnniversarySun *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time***6** 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, and Tricia Cannon.

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

Pray for the Departed on their Anniversaries

Laurence Franks, William Price, Alice Jones, Catherine Redmond, Jane Sinclair, Hadrian Vincenti, Edita Barrans

Message from Fr Patrick

It was great to have the baptism of siblings Arlo and Eleanor last Saturday. Congratulations to all the family.

Great as well to welcome school back after their summer break. Mass with all the school community in attendance will be on Wednesday, 9 September, at 9:30 a.m.

Our usual Welcome Wednesdays—coffee and tea after Mass—resumes in September. If you would like to help out, please let me know.

Importantly, as we start September, a word of encouragement to help out with the campaign to stop the 'end of life' bill being approved in Parliament. The debate is on 11 September.

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill in the parish at this time.

Fr Patrick

25th Anniversary of Fr Martin's Ordination

Everyone is welcome to join Mass on Sunday, 6 September, at 1:00 p.m. at Our Lady and the Apostles Church, Shaw Heath, Stockport, SK3 8BQ. There will be a reception buffet at the back of the church following the celebration.

There is a card at the back of St Clare's. All are welcome to sign it and add their messages for Fr Martin Onuoha.

St Clare's SVP Conference

Thank you to those who have already bought SVP National Raffle tickets. Many are still available. Tickets are £1 each. The first prize is £5,000, with many other prizes.

Please keep those in need in your prayers, and let us know of anyone who needs help.

God bless, Steve

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9:30 AM Mass

This week, Mike and Veronica will serve tea and coffee after the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass, with proceeds to the Holiday Home funds. Next week, the Church Gardening Group will be on duty.

ProFamily Coming to Chester

ProFamily supports families through talks and local groups that bring couples and parents together in a practical way. These gatherings help families share ideas and encouragement as they face the challenges of modern life.

If you are interested in the upcoming talks, please join the WhatsApp group using the QR code on the flyer on the notice board at the back of the church. The first two events will be on 12 September, 2026, and 28 November, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The talks are free. If you have any questions, speak to Conor and Francesca, pick up a flyer, and visit theprofamlyfoundation.com.

Community Volunteer Car Scheme: Drivers Needed

Many charities need volunteer drivers, and transport is often the biggest challenge. If you have a car and some time to spare, you may be interested in supporting the car scheme at <https://www.changing-lives-together.org.uk/>. For more information, please email Sarah Jolliffe at Sarah.Jolliffe@changing-lives-together.org.uk.

Pat Riddell, Chair of Chester Parkinson's UK
Thank you.

Jesus Heals Prayer Evening

Come and experience the healing love of Christ at Jesus Heals Liverpool on Friday, 25 September, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St Teresa of the Child Jesus Church, Sedge-moor Road, Liverpool.

The evening will include Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, inspiring preaching, and prayers for healing, led by Fr Frankie Mulgrew. Admission is free.

Contact Your MP on Assisted Suicide

Please contact your MP to oppose assisted suicide.

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill returns to the House of Commons for its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026.

The Bishops' Conference is urging Catholics to ask their MP to oppose the Bill. Even if you have contacted your MP previously, please consider doing so again. The charity Right to Life UK also provides a simple online facility to contact your MP by entering your postcode.

Visit cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide or righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote.

Aphra Brandreth is the Conservative MP for Chester

South and Eddisbury. Email: aphra.brandreth.mp@parliament.uk

Choir Singers Needed

Would you like to help worship our Lord and give Him glory through music? Our choir would love to welcome some new voices. You do not need an amazing voice or any choir experience, just a love of singing and a desire to serve the Lord.

If you are interested, please give Fr Patrick your number, and we will add you to the WhatsApp group.

Come and join us!

St Clare's Catholic Children's Group

We are meeting next Sunday, 6 September, after Mass in the sacristy for about 10 minutes. We will be pondering Scripture and feeding our spirit, as well as including craft related to the Scripture, with Janka. The following week, we will meet with Charlotte. Children of any age are welcome.

Children's Rosary Group

Our September meetings will be on Tuesday, 1 September, and Tuesday, 8 September. The Children's Rosary helps children grow in holiness and become leaders in their faith. This happens through prayer groups where the children lead the Rosary.

Fish and Chip Supper

Fish and Chip Supper with Fiddlestone Shanty Band Friday 16 October, 7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., at St Columba's Church Hall. Tickets are £20, in aid of the RNLI. Tickets are available on Eventbrite or by emailing frances.douglas2@btinternet.com. Thank you.

Sunday Music

970 Be Thou My Vision
1002 Gloria
Offertory 609 – In Bread We Bring You, Lord
1005 Holy, Holy (Belmont)
1011 Lamb (Belmont)
360 As I Kneel Before You

Sign up for Our Email List

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 midday Wednesday.

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