



Saint Clare of Assisi



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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) — 25th October 2026

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

Readings

Exodus 22:20-26

Ps 18(17):2-3a. 3b-4. 47, 51ab. R2

1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Matthew 22:34-40

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

Masses & Services

Sat Ferial

24 Note *Clocks go back one hour tonight*

4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Davies Family (KC), Evans Family

Sun 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

25 9.00am Confession & Rosary**9.30am Mass: People of the Parish**Mon *Ss Chad & Cedd, Bishops & Missionaries***26** Note *No Mass*

Tue Ferial

27 6.00pm Adoration

6.30pm Confession

7.00pm Mass: Mike FisherWed *Ss Simon & Jude, Ap***28** 9.00am Adoration & Confession & Rosary**9.30am Mass: Toby Armstead RIP**

Thu Ferial

29 5.30pm Adoration**6.30pm Mass: Ned Cassidy**

Fri Ferial

30 Note *Day of abstinence from meat*

9.00am Rosary

9.30am Mass: Jacob Maher

10.00am Adoration

Sat Ferial

31 4.30pm Adoration

5.30pm Confession & Rosary

6.00pm Mass: Kate Hughes RIPSun *All Ss***1** 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

Mary Rowlands, Wilhemina Callaghan, Dorothy (Dot) Bell, and John Doran.

Message from Fr Patrick

To love God above all is the supreme commandment. As St. Augustine said, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you. *The Confessions* (Book 1, Section 1.5). He also stated that singing is wonderful, as it is like praying twice. Most recently, the Second Vatican Council insisted that Gregorian chant is specially suited to the Roman liturgy and should be given first place in the Liturgy, *SC 116*.

The first hymn this Sunday, *Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race*, was written in 1991 by Ruth C. Duck to the tune of 'Tallis' Canon' by Thomas Tallis (c. 1510–1583). A *New Commandment* for the offertory was originally listed as anonymous; however, research traced it to the early 1970s at the Bryn Goleu Fellowship in Llanfairfechan, North Wales, where it was written by church member and pianist Roy Crabtree (born c. 1930). The final hymn to Our Lady was composed by Fr. Edward Caswall (1814–1878), an English Anglican clergyman who converted to Catholicism in 1847 and later joined the Birmingham Oratory. The musical setting uses the 1905 Welsh tune *Blaenwern*, composed by William Penfro Rowlands (1860–1937). A blessed week to all, Fr. Patrick.

Clocks Go Back This Saturday

Please remember to put your clocks back one hour before going to bed this Saturday, 24 October, 2026.

St Clare's SVP Conference



Thank you for your support of our Sponsored Walk last Sunday. We raised around £1,000 for the running and capital costs of the Holiday Home. Thanks also for your support of the "Half a Cup of Coffee" Club. Membership is rising. Please keep those

in need in your thoughts, and let us know of anyone who needs help. God bless,

Steve

Tea & Coffee after Sunday 9:30 AM Mass

This week, the proceeds will go to the Holiday Home, and next week they will go to parish funds.

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.

A Special Visit from Our Lady of Fatima

On Monday, 26 October 2026, the Centenary Pilgrim Virgin Statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, together with the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco, will visit St Mary's Cathedral Church, Regent Street, Wrexham, LL11 1RB.

Come and honour Our Lady through Holy Mass, the Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Fatima devotions, the Holy Rosary, and the veneration of the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco. There will also be enrolment in the Brown Scapular, a Fatima talk, and a film.

This is a beautiful opportunity to deepen our love for Our Lady and draw closer to her divine Son, Jesus.

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.

CHS Sixth Form Open Evening

Date: Thursday 12 November, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Arrivals from 5:45 p.m.

Year 11 students and their families are warmly invited to our Sixth Form Open Evening. Join us to discover the courses we offer and meet subject teachers. Explore Emmaus, our purpose-built Sixth Form building, and learn more about the application process and key dates. We look forward to welcoming you!

CHS Christmas Fair and Grotto

The High School will once again host its popular Christmas Fair and Grotto on Monday, 14 December, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., in support of the Christo Fidelis Fund. Entry is just £1 per person.

If you would like to run a stall at the fair, tables are available to hire for £10. To reserve a table, please contact Sally Faulkner at faulkners@christofidelis.org.uk.

We are also gratefully accepting donations for our raffle, including unwanted gifts, bottles, chocolates, and other suitable prizes. Donations can be dropped off at the school reception.

Diocesan Vacancies

The Diocese of Shrewsbury is recruiting for two roles:

Parish Cleaner, St Werburgh's, Chester

10 hours per week at £13.45 per hour. Further details: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/careers/parish-cleaner-stwerburgh. Please send a CV and covering letter to Pauline McCulloch. Closing date: 13 November, 2026.

Fundraising and Planned Giving Manager

Full-time position with a competitive salary, commensurate with experience. Further details are available on the diocesan website. Please contact Pauline McCulloch for an application form. Closing date: 27 November, 2026.

Pauline McCulloch:
recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

Sunday Music

Magnificat (mode 7A)
Entrance antiphon
841 Diverse in culture, nation, race
1012 Kyrie eleison
1013 Glory to God
Responsorial psalm
536 Gospel acclamation (Bévenot)
920 A New Commandment
1014 Holy, Holy, Holy
1017 Memorial Acclamation 3
1018 Amen
587 Russian Our Father
1019 Lamb of God
Communion antiphon
328 Holy light on earth's horizon (to tune Blauenwern)

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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 midday Wednesday.

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