

St Clare's Catholic Church

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19th November 2017



Update on... **Parish Syria Project**

Last week we had an update from Caroline Hull, ACN's NW manager, who has been speaking to her contact Sr Annie in Aleppo (pictured). Caroline writes, "Sr Annie told me that, on the whole, it is much safer in Aleppo now. That said, three bombs fell on Western Aleppo on Monday, but apparently no one was hurt; Sister Annie said it was impossible to know who had dropped them.



The biggest problem is the non-existent economy. There are very, very few jobs. She says that people constantly ask her to help them find work so that they don't have to live off charity. They still rely very heavily on our help and would be lost without our benefactors.

Sarkis and Annie (pictured) are still in Aleppo and managing to live from day to day. Rosie (the older sister of Fouad, the 13-year-old boy who was killed by a bomb and whose funeral Rosie had to organise last year) is back at school and doing well.



Finally, Sister Annie wanted me to let everyone at St Clare's know that she is praying for you all and that your help means everything to her and to Christians all over Syria. Things are improving, but there is still a very great need and the mercy shown by the parishioners of St Clare's and ACN benefactors throughout the world is a lifeline for her people. She sends her warmest wishes and thanks to you all."

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MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass Book Page 155

Office: Psalter week 1; Sundays: Year A; Weekdays: Year I, Week 33

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday 18 th	6pm (vigil)	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 19 th	9:30am		Shirley Gilleade RIP
	6pm		June Giannandrea (sick)
Monday	9:15am		Joe Hampson RIP
	5:15pm		<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	7pm	The Presentation of Our Lady	Holy Souls
Wednesday	9:15am	St Cecilia	Theresa Meek RIP
Thursday	9:15am		Margaret & Michael Holleran RIP
Friday	12noon	Sts Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions	Mavis Rogerson RIP
Saturday 25 th Nov	10am	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	Intentions of Joyce Clayton
	6pm (vigil)		Bill Hargreaves RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 26 th	9:30am		Special Intention
	6pm		People of the Parish

LATELY DEAD: Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon (for vocations).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 11am-12noon, and on request.

ROSARY: Mysteries of Light prayed after 9:15am Mass, and before 12noon Mass on Fridays. These prayers are offered for the protection of life at all stages.

ANGELUS: said at 12noon on Fridays, at the start of Mass.

ANNIVERSARIES: Vera Edwards, Bridget Warburton, Shirley Gilleade, Marie Turner, Frank Hall, Jim Whelan, Anthony Ainsworth, Harold Singleton, Patricia Morris, Michael McCombe, Margaret Fowler, Mary Bond, Peter Butler, Kath Bernie.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER: that Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS: This Tuesday at 7pm, the annual Mass for our loved ones who have died in the last 12 months. We remember especially those whose funerals have taken place at St Clare's during this time.

DEANERY MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY: This Tuesday at 10am at St Anthony's. All are welcome and are encouraged to come and pray for clergy who have died.

NARTHEX PLOTS: Please return all sponsor forms and payment by the end of this weekend. If you haven't got a form but want to sponsor a plot, email us or call us with your contact details by Sunday night. Plots cost £50 each. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Taking place Sunday 3rd December at 10:30am. Please return raffle tickets and payment to the presbytery. More tickets available on request. **Contributions towards prizes** are very welcome – please see the list in the chapel. Also, school are collecting sweets, toys, books and bottles.

FOOD BANK collection this weekend (18th/19th). **Children's toys** are also welcome, as these are distributed by the Food Bank at Christmas.

ST CLARE'S ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER: Don't forget to 'like' or 'follow' us: Facebook: St Clare's Catholic Church Fulwood; Twitter: @StClareFulwood

NEW READERS AND MINISTERS: Meeting for those who have been asked to become Eucharistic Ministers, next Saturday at 2pm in the parish hall; similar gathering for new Readers on Saturday 2nd December at 2pm.

MUSIC PRACTICES for Advent and Christmas – in church this Wednesday at 6:30pm, then 29th November and 13th December. All parishioners welcome!

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SYRIA: On sale after all Masses this weekend. In aid of parish Syria project with ACN. Thank you for your support.

ADVENT TALKS: a chance to discover more about the Gospel accounts of the birth of Jesus. 5th and 12th December at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall.

EMBRACE: Great one-day event for young people in Liverpool. Next Saturday; transport may be available. More details: Fr Andrew/see flyers.

OLSE LADIES' GROUP: Next meeting is this Thursday at 8pm: a presentation by David Forshaw on "The work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution".

CHRISTMAS FARMERS' MARKET WITH FAIRTRADE: 25th November 9:30am-1pm at Fulwood Methodist Church. All welcome.

CAFOD – WORLD GIFTS: Catalogues are available in the chapel.

PRESTON ORPHEUS CHOIR: Saturday 9th December at St Michael and All Angels C of E church. Festive music. Adults £10; under 18s £5; call 01772 735197.

LAST WEEK: Attended: 555; Collection: £1,111.66. Thank you.

Events this week (one off/occasional events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sat/Sun	At Mass	Food Bank Collection	House porch
Sunday	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	4:30pm	Young adults' group	Chapel
	7pm	Anointed Youth Group (yrs 7-9)	Parish Hall
Mon-Fri	9am	Pre-school	Parish Hall
	3:20pm	After-school club	Parish Hall
Monday	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	Journey in Faith	Chapel
	7:30pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	10am	Mass for Deceased Clergy	St Anthony's
	7pm	Mass for Deceased Parishioners	Church
	7:30pm	Prayer Group	Chapel
Wednesday	6pm	Seekers (yrs 4-6)	Parish Hall
	6:30pm	Advent/Christmas Music Practice	Church
	7:30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word/Penitential	Chapel
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Saturday	2pm	New Eucharistic Ministers' Meeting	Parish Hall
Sunday	9:30am	Children's Liturgy	At Mass
	10:30am	First Confession prep (6)	Parish Hall
	11am	First Confession: Parents' Session	Chapel
	4:30pm	Young adults' group	Chapel
	7pm	Anointed Youth Group (yrs 7-9)	Parish Hall

Advance Diary Dates

28th November: Parish Council, 7:30pm

4th December: School Advent Service, 7pm

Further ahead and further afield...

PIANO RECITAL: with Fr Manny Gribben at the Catholic Chaplaincy, Lancaster University, this Wednesday at 7pm. Free parking; collection for ACN.

CAFOD MEMORIAL MASS: Next Saturday (25th) at Sts Mary and Michael, Garstang at 6pm. All are welcome to come and join in this time of prayer.

YOUTH ADVENT RETREAT, 8-10 December: Weekend retreat at Castlerigg, for young people in year 9 and above. Cost £65.