

Diary Events This Week:

SUN 3rd Jan: 9.30am: No Children's Liturgy; 1.00pm: Indian Dance Class.
MONDAY: 9.00am: Pre-School Club*; 3.20pm: After-School Club*
6.00pm: No Cubs; 6.45pm: No Scouts; 7.45pm: **TUESDAY:** No Seekers & GFF Youth Groups 7.30pm: No Prayer Group: **WEDNESDAY:** 6.30pm: Irish Dance Class; **THURSDAY:** 6.15pm: Beavers; 7.45pm: Journey in Faith. **FRIDAY:** 6.00pm: Porch Meeting; **SATURDAY:** 9.00am: F&F Meeting & Pilates; 7.30pm; AA Meeting. * *These events each day Mon – Fri.*
Advance Diary: 2016 Jan: 11th > PPC: **16th** > Confirmation (2);

PARISH PETITION BOOK

near Our Lady's statue. For your intentions which will be prayed for at the Sunday Masses and at other times.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

First Saturday - 10.00am Mass.
Blest medals available,

ABORTION RECOVERY HELPLINE Arch can help: 0845 603 8501- Poster

SAFEGUARDING

Parish Safeguarding Officers are Mike Simpson and Brenda Scales

NEW TO THE PARISH? Or if you have changed: email, phone or address? Please complete the *Details Update Form* available in the porch.

CENACOLO COMMUNITY:

Thank you for your support with gifts

PRESTON FOOD BANK Thanks for last collection- **Next: 16/17 Jan**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to help with the youth groups on Tues evening. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week in term time please see Fr. D. or email frdarren@saintclares.co.uk Age range school years 4-6 & 7-11.

FROM THE PTFA

Used Batteries/ Mobile Phones please place in box in porch. Funds to Bosnia

Churches Together News: 1) *Christian Unity Service:* Jan 18th 2016 7.30pm St Clare's; 2) *Pentecost Songs of Praise* May 15th 2016 3pm Christ Church.

St. Clare's School

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ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY 3rd January 2016



Over the next 3 Sundays the theme of the Gospel at Mass will be about Jesus being revealed for who he really is. Today it is through the Magi that he is revealed as the Universal Saviour. Their non-Jewish presence shows that Jesus came for all peoples. Their gifts too, reveal him as King (gold), God (frankincense) and the one who was to die (myrrh).

LEARNING ABOUT THE FAITH

A Catechesis on our **Christian Faith** will be offered by members of the *Neo Catechumenal Community* as part of our participation in the *Year of Mercy*. It will begin on **Jan 11th – Mondays & Thursdays throughout Jan & Feb**

THE PRIESTS wish to thank you most sincerely for your Christmas greetings, gifts and generous offerings, and wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Of old the wise men searched for the Lord.



Today, the wise still do!

ST. CLARE'S 200 CLUB

Those who wish to join this – which is to raise funds for our new porch – will find information and entry forms in the porch.

Priests: Frs. Christopher Loughran & Darren Carden. Deacon: Fred Sanderson.

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MASSES THIS WEEK: 3rd Jan. – Mass Book Page 115

Office: Psalter Week 2; Sunday: Cycle C; Proper of Christmas

THE EIPHANY

6.00pm: Ronald & Mary Airey RIP **Vigil**

7.00pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: People of the Parish

6.00pm: Thanksgiving

Monday after Sunday of Epiphany

9am: Tom Clarkson RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

Tuesday after Sunday of Epiphany

7pm: Patrick McNeela RIP

Wednesday after Sunday of Epiphany

9.30am: Seamus Delargy RIP (School Mass)

7.30pm: Liturgy of the Word with the NeoCatechumenal Community

Thursday after Sunday of Epiphany

7pm: Eddie Hesketh RIP

Friday after Sunday of Epiphany

12 noon: Ronald & Margaret Culshaw RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

Saturday after Sunday of Epiphany

10am: Special Intention (F&DS)

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

6pm: James Canning RIP **Vigil**

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: People of the Parish

6pm: Balasamy & Jacob RIP

LATELY DEAD: Reg Brown.

ANNIVERSARIES: Annie Rawcliffe, Michael Swift, Lois Swarbrick, Jean Hull, Mark Cartmell, Madge Collard. Cesare Innocenzi, Thomas Rutter, Derek Sharpe, Stanley Turpin, Walter Wilson, Baby Niamh, Janusz Cichy.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for January

That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

EXPOSITION:

Sat 10.30am-Noon

Intention: for priestly vocations

CONFESSIONS:

Sat 11-12noon.

Or by appointment

Rosary for Life Challenge-

The Mysteries of Light will be prayed each day after the 9am Masses and before the Friday noon Mass, for this intention

THIS IS THE EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

THANK YOU: to all those who organised and attended our Annual Carol Service, and to those who served refreshments.

WARM WELCOME: To Mrs Anne Charnley who takes up the post as our Headteacher, we wish her many blessings.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: The Parish SVP Society has closed. The work of visiting the sick & housebound, especially in this Year of Mercy, now has to pass to a new group which we hope to form in the New Year. Volunteers most welcome, please see Fr L.

BAPTISM: the next Course will take place on Mondays 4th, 11th & 18th January. For more information please speak to Fr. Darren.`

PRIZE BINGO: Friday 15th Jan 7pm in Parish Hall. Proceeds to the Youth Pilgrimage Fund. Unwanted Christmas gifts: gratefully received.

PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE: Those considering Marriage this year should note that the Preparation Course will begin at the end of March. Please speak to one of the priests

CHURCHES TOGETHER: Next meeting Jan 7th at Christ Church 11.30am.

THE LITTLE SISTERS: have 2 job offers available. See notice in porch.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: The Main Service will be here Mon 18th Jan 7.30pm.

HIRING PARISH HALL: The present parish policy is that this may only be hired by those who regularly worship here and who are registered with the parish.

MEDJUGORJE VISIT: Aug 27th to Sept 3rd

CALENDARS 2016: available in the porch - £4 each.

IF YOU SHOP ON LINE: visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk search for *St Clare's New Porch Fund*. All major retailers will make donations. So far we have raised £121. Please help us to increase this.

MONASTIC WEEKEND: for 18-30 single men & women. From Jan 29th - 31st *'Becoming the Mercy of God'* at the Monastery of Our Lady of Hyning, Carnforth

LAST WEEK: Attended: 315; Collection: £782.75. Thank you.

HOSPITAL INFO DESK: Volunteers needed, see notice in porch.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES: (2016) on sale £3 each.

PARISH MAGAZINE: The latest edition is available in the Church Porch