

St Clare's Catholic Church

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st October 2017



“A common purpose and a common mind...”

In today's second reading, St Paul encourages us to be united in heart and soul, remembering that together we make up the one family of God. Our common purpose is growth in faith, hope and love; our common mind is the knowledge of God that we have received from Him. But to be united also means putting others first, as he teaches. There is no unity where there is pride – we need humility!

FOCUS ON... Columban Missionaries

The Society of St Columban is a Catholic organization working in fifteen countries, with a special commitment to Asia and Latin America. Columbans are missionaries who go in the name of the Church to announce, by deed and word, the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our specific objectives are:

- to establish the Church where the gospel has not been preached.
- to help local Churches grow into evangelizing communities open to all peoples.
- to promote dialogue between Christians and those of other religious traditions.
- to facilitate interchange between local Churches, especially those from which we come and those to which we are sent
- to help people become fully human, to help establish a world of peace with justice and care for the integrity of creation in solidarity with the poor.

We strive to identify with Jesus, who said, “He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free and to proclaim the Lord's year of favour” (Lk 4:18).



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MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass Book Page 134

Office: Psalter week 2; Sundays: Year A; Weekdays: Year I, Week 26

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday 30 th	6pm (vigil)	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Edith Noblett RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 1 st October	9:30am		Doris & Jim Mattinson RIP
	6pm		People of the Parish
Monday	9:15am	The Guardian Angels	Joe & Alice Donlan RIP
Tuesday	7pm		Gerry O'Neil RIP
Wednesday	9:15am	St Francis of Assisi	Rory O'Malley RIP
Thursday	9:15am	Dedication of the Cathedral	Jack Burton RIP
Friday	12noon		Sophia Morris RIP
Saturday	10am	Our Lady of the Rosary	Holy Souls
Saturday 7 th	6pm (vigil)	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mary Sinnott RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 8 th	9:30am		Ian & Emma Waddingham
	6pm		People of the Parish

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon.

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: Nora Jones, Cicely Brierly, Sharon Livesey, Maureen Masters, Alice Turner, Mary Ryan, Barbara Knowling, Frank McLaughlin, Clare Smart, Jack McEntee, Hilda Robinson, Molly Chanter, Dorothy Hunnibal, Margaret Whalley.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.



NARTHEX WORK – PARKING: Please leave the spaces nearest the chapel for those who find it harder to walk. Additional parking is available at the weekends on the school playground.

COLUMBAN MISSIONARIES: This weekend we welcome Fr Gerry Markey, who will make an appeal on behalf of the Columban Missionaries. See front page.

CHANGES THIS WEEK: Please note, there will be no hospital Mass on Monday this week, and no First Friday Holy Hour this month.

CONGRATULATIONS to Heidi Thornton, who was baptised here in September.

INDIAN DINNER: A total of £838 was raised at the evening, through ticket sales and donations – a fantastic achievement. Thanks to all who helped in any way. We have now raised over £8300 – enough to support four families for a year.

MESSY CHURCH: Activities, games and Bible stories for children, mums and dads. All ages and denominations welcome. This Saturday (7th) 1:30-3pm in parish hall.

JOURNEY IN FAITH: For anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or exploring the faith. Monday evenings, starting on 23rd October.

LATE FOR MASS? Please don't feel you have to sit in the side chapel. Come in!

CALLED BEYOND: A week of vocations-themed evening events, looking at different ways of living out our faith. Taking place across the parish 15-22 October. A chance to think about what 'vocation' is, and how specific vocations are lived. Everybody has a vocation, a call from God. This week is for you!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION began last weekend for first confession. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

DAY OF RENEWAL: Saturday 14th October. Led by Fr Frankie Mulgrew, a priest of Salford Diocese; theme: "What the Holy Spirit does in the life of a believer".

SPONSOR A SCHOOL TEAM: Do you have a business that would like to sponsor a sports kit at St Clare's school? Call school on 787037.

200 CLUB: September winners: £165 – no. 100 Sr Anne; £99 – no. 45 Teresa Nicklin; £66 – no. 34 Joe and Mary McCambridge. £7636 raised for the narthex.

LADYWELL PILGRIMAGE: 7th October: Rosary procession (at the church, 11am); Mass (at the shrine, 12noon), Benediction and prayers for the sick. Transport is not provided, but please sign up to help planning: sheet on clipboard in chapel.

LIFE TALK BY LORD ALTON: David (Lord) Alton will speak about the defence of human life at Our Lady and St Edward's, 7pm on 13 October. All welcome.

LIFE GROUP TABLE-TOP SALE: Saturday 14 October, 10am-1pm, at Our Lady & St Edward's Hall. Tables cost £6-£8. Donations of children's toys, games and books, cakes/biscuit, and raffle prizes welcome. Leave at OLSE or tel: 712891.

LAST WEEK: Attended: 460; Collection: £1,330.13; Special: £254.65. Thank you.

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

Day	Time	What?	Where?
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
	7pm	Baptism Preparation (2)	Chapel
	7:30pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	7:30pm	Prayer Group	Chapel
Wednesday	6pm	Seekers	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Chapel
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Saturday	1:30pm	Messy Church	Parish Hall
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	10:30am	First Confession prep (2)	Parish Hall
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Advance Diary Dates

20th October: School Harvest Service, 2pm

1st November: All Saints' Day – Holy Day of Obligation

2nd November: All Souls' Day

Further ahead and further afield

ROMERO PLAY: Friday 10th November at St Wilfrid's, RISE Theatre present a play about Blessed Oscar Romero. Tickets £10/£8 for under-18s. For info or to book tickets contact Joe or Ruth on 07957 566741. Hosted by Metanoia Project.

FIRE AND LIGHT: Praise and worship, Eucharistic adoration and prayer ministry Wed 4th October 2017 from 8pm, Cor et Lumen Christi, Wigton, CA7 9HU. More info: www.coretlumenchristi.org, email: stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org Tel: 016973 45623 or 07516 075896

ACN - HOPES FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW: *Iraq's Nineveh plains & Northern Nigeria* Monday 9th October at the Catholic Chaplaincy Lancaster University, 7.30-9.30. Visit: www.acnuk.org/event/lancaster