

PARISH OFFICE TELEPHONE

As part of the new arrangements Sr Jo will be answering the office telephone so there should not be a lengthy delay before any matters are attended to as happened in the past.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Swing Band Dance Night - The Annual Dance Night with music from the school's Acclaimed City Jazz Swing Band. 7.30 - 11pm Friday 6, May in School Hall. Tickets £5 adults/£3 children, available from the school, telephone 01244 981600. Thanks for all your support.

NEWSPAPERS

The newspapers that are on sale at the back of the church are not finding any takers. If sales do not pick up by the end of April it is probable that the regular order will be cancelled as returning them each week and claiming a refund is a tiresome and time consuming chore.

LENTEN FAST BOXES/ENVELOPES

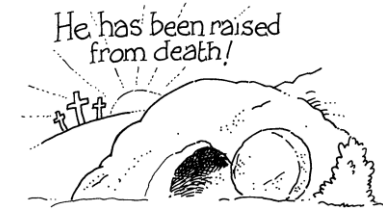
If you took a CAFOD Lenten Fasting box or envelope home at the beginning of Lent please return it at a Mass next weekend. Thank you.

ST CLARE'S MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Holy Spirit we are ready to use our talents to support and co-operate with our Parish Priest in all matters liturgical and temporal.

We commit ourselves to build a family of Christ at St Clare's and in the local community, based on love, compassion and understanding.

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Mass Times and Intentions

SUNDAY 24th APRIL 2011: EASTER SUNDAY (A)

PSALTER Week I CHURCH CLEANING Group 1

Saturday 23rd April: NO Confessions
8.00 pm: Vigil Mass of Easter.
People of the Parish

Sunday 24th April: 9.30 am: *Imy O'Connor*
Coffee after Mass provided by CAFOD

Monday 25th April: *Monday of Easter Octave* No Mass

Tuesday 26th April: *Tuesday of Easter Octave* **NO MASS**

Wednesday 27th April: *Wednesday of Easter Octave* **NO MASS**
Half an hour of Shared Prayer in the Parish Room 10.00am

Thursday 28th April: *Thursday of Easter Octave* No Mass

Friday 29th April: *Friday of Easter Octave* No Mass

Saturday 30th April: *Ferial* Confessions 5.00-5.45pm
6.00 pm *Mary Pink*

Please return Lent Fasting Boxes/Envelopes

Sunday 1st May: 9.30am: Second Sunday of Easter
Win Morris

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ANNIVERSARIES: please pray for the soul of Gerry Edwards whose anniversary occurs about now.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH: Annette, Archie, Bernie Ashcroft, Margaret Borrows, Rose Boyle, Maureen and Frank Brady, David Brown, Joan Bullough, Albert Capper, Geoff Craggs, Helen Creaney, David, Brendan Edwards, Una Harrington, Kath Heffernan, Emmanuelle, Erica Finn, Theresa Francetti, Hanna Jones, Eve, Eileen Jones, Mrs Jones, Gladys Joinson, Winefride Keenan, Michael Kiely, Ann Leach, Sandra Lenel, Win Littler, Josephine Loveland, May McAteer, Mary McDonough, Ted Mooney, Ree Morgan, Nan Morris, Ann O’Gorman, Margaret Pachteli, John Parnell, Mark Patavino, Peggy la Pierre, Rosemary Prendergast, June Rai, Vera Rattigan, Sandra Rogers, Elizabeth Shaw, Margaret Sloggett, Peggy Shone, Jackie Sumner, Maureen Tolefree, and Freda Tyldesley. May the Lord bless them with His healing love and give them the joy of His presence.

**61ST DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES
JULY 27TH – AUGUST 4TH**

With just over three months before we set out bookings have been coming in for the annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes so that the plane is already three quarters full, whilst the train is half full. Perhaps the reduced prices this year have made the pilgrimage a little more attractive! This year the Bishop of Lourdes invites all pilgrimages to reflect on the ‘Our Father,’ and this great prayer will be the theme of our liturgies during the week. The pilgrimage also provides an opportunity to celebrate the Marian Year of prayer announced by Bishop Mark at his installation last October. Booking forms and details of the pilgrimage can be found on the pilgrimage website at www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk or by calling 07773324264 or writing to the Pilgrimage Office, St Peter’s Presbytery, 16, Green lane Hazel Grove Stockport SK74EA. We would particularly welcome nurses to join our medical team but all are invited to join this annual diocesan occasion. May we remind our regular pilgrims to book as soon as possible and if they are volunteering to help they should let us know by the end of April that they intend to travel with us this year. Bookings for the pilgrimage will be accepted as long as there is space up until mid July.

Fr Peter M. Sharrocks
Pilgrimage Director

DAY OF REFLECTION 14TH MAY - WARRINGTON

Please see the poster on the notice board in the porch about this day of reflection with Bishop Brian. The subject is **BECOMING A MORE COMPASSIONATE, CARING COMMUNITY.**

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: Eileen Chaloner has asked for help in the washing and ironing of the Altar Linen from the side altars. Please contact her direct.

EASTER CHICKS: THE SALE OF Chicks has raised the magnificent sum of £510 for CAFOD. Many thanks to all concerned.

DIOCESAN JUBILARIANS’ MASS: A REMINDER

This Mass will be celebrated at St Columba’s, Chester, at 7pm on Friday 20th May 2011. Invitations will be sent out next week so, if you have a Jubilee 25, 50, 60during this year and would like to attend this Mass, please let Fr Martin know this weekend so he can add your details to the guest list.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to prepare the church and the liturgy of Holy Week and helped it to go so well. *Glory to God. May the Lord bless you all!*

FR MARTIN AWAY: I will be away on a brief Easter break to attend a retreat in Fatima from Easter Tuesday to Friday. There will be no masses and Eucharistic adoration on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR EASTER WEEK

Sunday 24th Apr: Acts 10: 34-37-43; Ps117; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20: 1-9
Monday 25th Apr: Acts 2: 14-22-32; Ps 15; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday 26th Apr: Acts 2: 36-41; Ps 32; Jn 20: 11-18
Wednesday 27th Apr: Acts 3: 1-10; Ps 104; Lk 24: 13-35
Thursday 28th Apr: Acts 3: 11-26; Ps 8; Lk 24: 35-48
Friday 29nd Apr: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 117; Jn 21: 1-4
Saturday 30th Apr: Acts 4: 13-21; Ps 117; Mk 16: 9-15

Wishing all of us a very HAPPY EASTER!!!

