



Mother of Good Counsel Church, Clare Priory

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Mass times: Weekdays 10.00am. Saturday 10.00am and Vigil 5.30pm. Sunday 8.00am and 10.00am

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4.30 to 5.15pm or available by appointment

Week 1 - 12th January 2025

Sunday 12th: Baptism of the Lord

Thursday 16th: St Fursey

Friday 17th: St Anthony

✦ **Prayers requested:** William Marston, David Sowerby and Teresa Vitoria-Sowerby, Felicie Parsley, Mary Davy, Paul MacGowan, Maura Kingston, Sheila Graham, Dorothy Mudge, Jim Coe, Trefor Williams, Billy Burnie, Larry and Sarah Cullen, Deacon Tony Ranzetta, Tony Sheppard, Antony Hackett-Jones, Mary Nash, Jason Parker, Laurent Dohagon, Peter Simpson, Sarah Ince, Jenny Ince, Mary Croly, Margaret Foreman.

The funeral of Helen Cheasty (formerly of Hundon) will take place here on Monday 13th January at 12 o'clock.

✦ **Children's Liturgy dates:**

19th January 2025 – next weekend.

✦ **Last Sunday's Collection:** £1233.16

✦ **Readers:** Please continue to fill in the new lists which are in the church.

Next weekend the 18th and 19th January. After all Masses Fr George would like give the Readers of each Sunday service (including Saturday evening) the opportunity to meet with him. This will be to have a chat about the new Lectionary, check everyone is happy with the Readers list and answer any queries and give advice if needed.

✦ **Clare Library:** Several people have asked "Where is Clare Library?" It is in the High Street behind the Guildhall Surgery. The entrance is on the left through a small turning immediately next to the Surgery entrance. There is limited parking available. The Library offers Books, CDs, DVDs, free computer access, wifi, printing, scanning, iPad lending, room hire, children's activities, older people's groups and activities

✦ **World day of Prayer:** For 2025 we hope to reinstate the World Day of Prayer service in Clare on the first Friday in March. To this end, I am looking for a couple of volunteers from each church to form a committee to organise and execute the service. If you are willing to join in, or know someone who is, please contact me, Jayne Drinkwater at drinkersj@hotmail.com or phone 01787 278941.

✦ **Diocesan Listening and Prayer Ministry:**

There are changes in ways to make contact with this facility. Please see poster and the new cards for details.

✦ **The seating area in the old Church:** Can people please remember not to leave things on it. This is because the church can get cluttered very quickly.

✦ **Parish Volunteers:** We are always looking for people to help with church cleaning and church flowers. These are 2 separate lists but if you think you can give your time to these essential ministries please let Kathy in the office know.

✦ **Readers and Eucharistic Ministers lists:** Please remember to check the lists in your usual manner. Please, if any lists are left in the church do not remove them.

✦ **Pilgrimage to Rome to celebrate the Jubilee of Youth – Limited places left**

As part of the Jubilee 2025, the Diocese will be leading a pilgrimage to Rome, joining with hundreds of thousands of young people from all over the world. There are a limited number of places left with bookings accepted on a first come first served basis. If you will be age 16 – 30 next summer 2025, come and join us, but book now! See www.rcdea.org.uk/youth for more details.