



# 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 2 - 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>: St Agnes**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>: St Francis de Sales**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>: Conversion of St Paul**

✦ **Prayers requested:** William Marston, David Sowerby and Teresa Vitoria-Sowerby, Felicie Parsley, 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, Kevin Dalton.

Mary Davy died on 13<sup>th</sup> January. Her Requiem will be held here on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 10 o'clock.

✦ **Children's Liturgy dates:**  
**This Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

✦ **Last Sunday's Collection:** £684.50

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

**This weekend the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

✦ **Extract from letter received from the Women's Aid Centre:** "Thank you so much for the recent donation of £457.40 collected from the Clare Priory quiz night and raffle. It is heart-warming to be on the receiving end of such generosity. The proceeds raised will go directly to women and children in refuge, as well as those we support in other ways.

As I'm sure you are already aware, the number of enquiries to our service does not diminish, but it's great to know we have support and help from our local community."

✦ **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February Mass for Engaged Couples.**

At the end of the Mass you will be invited forward to receive the **Prayer of Blessing for Engaged Couples** in front of the congregation. Please let us know which of the three Masses you will attend.

✦ **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. This happened over Christmas which is why there was some confusion in regard to Readers at Christmas Masses.

✦ **Inviting all young people in Year 9 and above to 'Flame' at Wembley Arena**

The Diocesan Youth Service is excited to be taking a group to 'Flame' on 15<sup>th</sup> March. Flame is the largest catholic gathering of young people in the UK, coming together to experience the best in international speakers, artists and performers. It is a vibrant experience of young Church, concluding with Adoration led by most of the Bishops of England and Wales. For details and to book a ticket and place on the coach, please see [www.rcdea.org.uk/youth](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/youth). Bookings must be received by 9<sup>th</sup> February.