

SAINT MICHAEL'S TIMES

**The Newsletter of the Parish of St Michael's
and the Convent of the Poor Clare Colettines,**

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Weekly Mass Times

Sunday: 11.00am Monday-Friday: 9.15am Saturday: 10.15am

PENTECOST 2026

IN MEMORY

We would also ask you to remember in your prayers the souls of Mother Bernadette and Ann Burns, who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries take place at this time of year, along with all those that mourn them.

"Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they and all our departed relatives and friends rest in peace"

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the history of the parish and the community of the Poor Clare Collettines here in Ellesmere, Sister Bernadette has played an important role in both over many years. As you will be aware from her title, she has served as Mother Abbess, the leader of the community.

Mother Bernadette arrived in 1953 to join the group of Sisters who, at that time, were based across the road in Oteley Hall, where Mass was held for the parishioners of Saint Michael's every Sunday. Along with rest of the community, Sister Bernadette moved into the current convent buildings in the early 1960's, ensuring that the parish had a regular place of worship for the lifetime of the convent. The parish hall was added in the 1990's and the grounds have been of great value for a range of community events, including the annual Summer Fayre.

The Requiem Mass for Mother Bernadette will be held at 11.00am on Saturday, 16th May. Her remains will be received into the Convent Chapel at 4.30pm on Thursday, 14th May, should you wish to pay your respects.

200 CLUB

Congratulations to our recent winners:

February Draw	£30	Richard Benson-93	£10	Catherine Evans-71
	£5	Joseph Madden-131	£5	Nicholas John-25
March Draw	£30	Frank Dwyer-85	£10	Miriam Jones-28
	£5	Pat Edwards-21	£5	Jenny Turner-99
April Draw	£30	Susan Kevill-86	£10	Mrs C Sayers-14
	£5	Mary Mc Loughlin-54	£5	Margaret Fairclough-138
Easter Bonus Draw	£25	Patsy Beddoes-148	£12	Mrs Chatterjee-26
	£8	Pauline Dee-67	£5	Ann Turner-112

CONFIRMATION

Please remember in your prayers all those young people who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday, especially Bryce Davis from our own parish.

PRINCIPAL FEASTS

Pentecost Sunday – 24th May

Mass at 11.00am

Our Lady Help of Christians. Principal Patron of the Diocese – 26th May

Mass at 9.15am

Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, Missionary – 27th May

Mass at 9.15am

Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest – 28th May

Mass at 9.15am

The Most Holy Trinity – 31st May

Mass at 11.00am

The Body and Blood of Christ – 7th June

Mass at 11.00am

Saint Barnabus, Apostle, Martyr – 11th June

Mass at 9.15am

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – 12th June

Mass at 9.15am

The Immaculate Heart of Mary – 13th June

Mass at 10.15am

Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs – 22nd June

Mass at 9.15am

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist – 24th June

Mass at 9.15am

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – 28th June

Mass at 11.00am

Days of Prayer over coming weeks are:

Special Prayer for the Church – 24th May

Special Prayer for Life – 21st June

Special Prayer for Those Suffering Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights – 22nd June

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Last but no means least, a reminder that

The Summer Fayre **Takes place at the Poor Clare Convent on** **Sunday, 14th June, starting at 12 noon**

You are all welcome to come along and enjoy the parish's big annual social and fundraising event in support of the Sisters. Please don't miss out on the opportunity to enjoy the stalls, hog roast and other refreshments available and to catch up with friends.

Even if you cannot make it on the day, please ensure you get your tickets for

The Summer Fayre Draw

These will be available at the back of church. The draw will take place at the fair.

If you would like to help, beforehand or on the day, please let us know. Final arrangements will be discussed at the Parish Meeting on 7th June. Any donations of prizes will be gratefully received. Either leave them in church or hand them to Sister Anne Joseph.