



St Clare's
Roman Catholic
Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19th April 2026



'And their eyes were opened, and they recognised him'

In the **Gospel** we join two of Jesus' disciples on their journey to Emmaus, blind to the identity of the risen Lord as he walks with them. When Jesus reveals himself to them in the breaking of bread, they finally recognise him, just as he disappears from their sight.



Unlike the disciples, we have never seen Jesus himself – but because of the faith we have been given, we can see and recognise him in the people and situations around us. This week let us pray for the wisdom and courage to respond wherever we see Jesus in the needs of others.

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Church is open daily from 8am until 6pm for private prayer.

MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass book – page 258

Office Psalter Week 3: Sundays: Year A: Weekdays: Weekdays of Easter

Sunday morning Mass is livestreamed and will be available for viewing later on our parish YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/StClaresChurch>

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday	6pm (Vigil)	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Special Intention (Sick)
	7pm Vigil		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 19 th April	9:30am		People of the Parish
	6pm		Teresa & Alan Little RIP
Monday	9.15am		Terenia Gosney (Sick)
	5.30pm RPH		Patients and Staff
Tuesday	7pm		Intentions of the Cronin Family
Wednesday	9.15am		Holy Souls November list
Thursday	9.15am	ST. GEORGE	Sukriti Thapa (Illness)
Friday	12noon	Requiem Mass	Vincent Machin RIP
Saturday	10am	ST. MARK	John Green RIP
	6pm (Vigil)	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Sheila McAuley RIP
	7.15 pm Vigil		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 26 th April	9:30am		Philip Schlenoff RIP
	6pm		People of the Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Sat. 10:30am-11:30am and by request.

ROSARY: Is prayed after the **9.15am** Masses and before the 12noon Mass on Friday.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: If your child requires the **Sacrament of Baptism**, please email enquiries@saintclares.co.uk, or speak to Fr. John Mark or Janet Metcalf.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Victor McGowan, Mary Sinnott, Joan Maxwell, Margaret Woodruff, Anne Topping, May Hargreaves, Peter Hampson, Helena Jackson. **WE PRAY** for Pia Pasquina Bagnoli whose **Requiem Mass** is on Friday at 12noon, and Anthea Walmsley who have died recently.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen. **WE PRAY ALSO** for those in our parish, our families and our friends who are sick.

MASS INTENTIONS ENVELOPES are in the Narthex. Please add your **contact details, offering, preferred** (and an alternative) **date** and hand it to Fr. John Mark or Janet, or post through the Presbytery door.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

SPECIAL ROSARY SERVICE: To celebrate the feast of St Catherine of Siena at on Our Lady & St. Edwards on Wednesday 29th April at 2pm. All Welcome.

BEREAVEMENT COURSE: The Bereavement Journey (for anyone bereaved anytime) is a place to talk. Starts 27th April at Christ Church, Victoria Rd. Fulwood. See Notice in Narthex.

YOUTH MINISTRY INTERNSHIP SCHEME: Aimed at recent graduates, but open to anyone aged 18-24 who is serious about their faith and wants to learn how to minister to young people in the Church. For more details and/or a full info. pack email: director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: Next session Saturday 25th April from 9.30am -12 noon in the Parish Hall.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: The envelopes for **2026/27** are available for collection from the Narthex. Donations that are gift-aided enable us to claim £0.25 for each £1 given, at no cost to the donor. If you would like to join the scheme, please contact the Parish Office. Thanks for your continued generosity.

SPONSORSHIP FOR PARISH MASS BOOKS: Please can you continue to help by sponsoring the next set of Parish Mass Books (for Pentecost). There is an explanation sheet (pink) in the Narthex together with Sponsor form.

ST CLARE'S PRE-SCHOOL: Has a limited number of places for September 2026. 15hr and 30hr funding is available. littlesaplins@stclares.mecmat.org

WELCOME BACK: To the children and staff of St Clare's School. We wish them a happy and successful time as they return for the final term of the school year.

NEXT SUNDAY: Is World Day of Prayer for Vocations and there is a **Special Collection for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund.**

SAINT OF THE WEEK – ST. GEORGE Patron Saint of England

One of the most popular of medieval saints, St. George was a martyr, dying for his Christian faith in the early years of the fourth century during the persecution initiated by the Emperor Diocletian. To this day, George is still commemorated by Christians as **St. George the Martyr**. He is the patron saint of soldiers, farmers, and the Scout movement. **Feast day – This Thursday 23rd April.**

LAST WEEK: At Mass 11th/12th April 439 (77/162/140) NCW 60. Collections: £750.35. Collections in March via the Bank, and card payment terminal payout, totalled £2493. Thank you for your generosity.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8am-9am Tuesday 5.30pm- 6.30pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church
Saturday 10:30am-11:30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Monday 20 th	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	8pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday 21 st	6pm	Seekers (age 8-11)	Parish Hall
	7.45pm	NCW Catechesis	Side Chapel
Wednesday 22 nd	9:45am	Parish Coffee Morning	Parish Hall
	7.30pm	NCW Catechesis	Side Chapel
Thursday 23 rd	6.15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
	7pm	NCW Catechesis	Side Chapel
	7pm	Fabric & Finance Committee	Presbytery
Friday 24 th	7pm	Lectio Divina	Church
Saturday 25 th	9.30am	First Communion Group	Parish Hall

FOOD BANK: Collection next weekend **25th/26th April**. The items urgently needed include tinned meats, fish, vegetables, fruit and custard, pasta, rice and sauces, toothpaste & brushes, soap & shower gels. Thank you for your support.



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM
The National Shrine to Our Blessed Lady
28th Sept – 1st October 2026
This year's theme is "Mary, cause of our Joy"
 The all-inclusive cost £360-£420. Coach collection from Lancaster or Preston. More information from Deacon Charlie Conner charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk

SPUC PRO-LIFE CHAIN: Saturday 25th April 11.00am-1pm. Please join them for a silent act of witness **to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion**. Meet on London Road, Preston (near the river). **Contact** Tel. 07523 183758 or Email: spucpreston@gmail.com All are Welcome.