

THIS WEEK

Monday: 9am - Walking for Health Group

Tuesday: 9.30am - Morning Prayer

Wednesday: 10.15am - Holy Communion

11am – Welcome Morning

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 15th August 10.30am Coffee

Morning and Good as New Sale in the Parish Hall.

100 CLUB

The 100 Club starts again in August. Numbers are £15 each and you can buy as many as you wish for a chance to win 3 prizes of £25, £15 and £10 each month for a year. See Andrea for details.

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ST. CLEMENT'S PEWSHEET

26th July 2026

8th Sunday after Trinity

Welcome Bishop Mark

TODAY'S HYMNS

648 God of grace and God of glory

698 King of glory, King of peace

644 God is love let heaven adore him

595 Be thou my vision

294 We love the place O God

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 3: 5 – 12

Romans 8: 26 – end

Matthew 13: 31 – 33, 44 - 52

THE COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE GOSPEL

³¹ He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

³³ He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.'

⁴⁴ 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and

hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ 'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' ⁵² And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

INTERCESSIONS

The Church:

Pray for those confirmed today, that the Holy Spirit will be with them and guide them all their lives. Pray for our parishes of St Clement and St Mary, that we may be fruitful and faithful in our worship and in our mission.

The World:

Pray that world leaders will work together to bring peace in all areas of conflict, that wisdom and justice may reign for all people. Pray for those living with the constant threat of bombing and warfare, that they may find some peace and safety to live their lives without fear.

The King and Government:

Pray for King Charles, Queen Camilla and all the royal family. Pray for the new cabinet and all who work behind the scenes in government, that they will put infighting aside and work for justice and compassion for all the country.

Community:

Pray for our community of Urmston and surrounding areas. Pray that it may be a place where all are valued and respected and families are able to raise their children with love and care. Pray for any who feel that they are outsiders or are not wanted, that they will be welcomed into the community and know that they belong here.

The Sick:

We hold in God's care all those we know who are sick, including Alastair Moore, Eileen McKay, Elaine Blezzard, Beryl O'Neil, Alison Griffiths, Emma Coulson, Michael Looby, Melinda Jones, Chris Jones, Janice Jones, Jean Collinge, Karen Barlow and Carl Marston. May they find healing in body, mind and spirit.

The Departed:

Pray for June Thornbury and all who have died recently and for the families and friends who grieve for them. May all who have gone before us rest in peace and rise in glory.

Anniversaries:

Edna Spencer, Nora Wallis, Kathleen Rhodes, Alan Wharton, Bernard Bond, Barbara Hughes, George Bedford, Mary Johnson, Ellen Gee, James Walton, Florence Harrison, Jack Morrison, Doreen Howard, Annie Crofts, Mary Horrocks, Philip Whittaker.

POST COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

Amen.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 55: 1 – 5

Romans 9: 1 – 5

Matthew 14: 13 – 21