

Journey in Faith – R.C.I.A

The Rite of Christian Initiation In Adults

At the last Easter Vigil we welcomed into full communion with the Catholic Church and our parish community, five of our parish family members. They had been 'journeying' over several months exploring the teachings, beliefs and traditions of our Catholic Faith.

This year, we will be offering a course beginning with a hospitality evening on

**Sunday October 17th at 7.30 p.m. in the Presbytery for
glass of wine/cheese**

This will be to welcome any enquirers or indeed anyone who would like to refresh/share their knowledge. At this meeting the most suitable day/time to continue meetings will be decided upon.

This way of 'learning together' about our faith was the way the Early Church welcomed people. They learned not only the truths of their Faith but to engage with the whole church community. With the support and valued experience of more established Catholic parishioners we meet together as a group and learn more about our Church through the Teachings of the Scriptures and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, D.V.D 's and question and answer. Discussion groups meet the needs of those present bearing in mind the different levels of experience that we all bring with us.

The topics that we cover include e.g.

- ◆ The Sacraments
- ◆ The importance of personal prayer
- ◆ An exploration of our church building
- ◆ Our moral actions
- ◆ Exploring the Creed- What we believe
- ◆ Mary our Mother

Please consider joining us. You would be warmly welcomed. Any additional enquiries please feel free to ring 426861 (Judith Byrne) or 428653 (Mary Sellers).
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28th Sunday of Ordinary time 10th October 2010

St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe



Saturday 9th October
Eucharistic Service at noon
6pm Mass

Sunday
Mass at 9.30am

Monday
9am Eucharistic Service
7pm Reception Christine Blackledge

Tuesday
Requiem Mass for Christine Blackledge at 2pm

Wednesday, Thursday
Mass at 9am

Friday
Eucharistic Service 9am

St Mary's Church Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am **Friday** - Mass at 9.15am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Kathleen McNally, Special intention, Marie McDonald, Justin Fisher,
Rita Ronnan, Christian Willis family

SICK Gerry Jacques, Vincenzo Ditri, Valerie Lambert,

LATELY DEAD - Justin Fisher, Christine Blackledge, Teresa Embery

ANNIVERSARIES Brendan Hillary, Marie McDonald, Tom Haslam

WELCOMERS NEXT WEEKEND Sat - P & B Hardwick Sun - R & F Holgate

READERS Sat - M.Rigg Sun - Family Mass

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Sat - L.Perrin & H.Mercer
Sun - A.Marsden, A.Hickling, P.Sutcliffe

TEA & COFFEE ROTA M.Anwyl & G.Lambert

OFFERTORY Clitheroe - £729.47 Retired priests collection £503.62

Sabden - £209.35 Retired priests collection £95.65

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S PARISH CENTRE Opens after Mass on Saturday evening. Why not come in for a relaxing evening, re-kindle old friendships and make new ones. Don't forget Sunday evening is our regular Family Quiz Night between 8pm—10pm **BINGO** on Tuesday evenings.

EUCCHARISTIC SERVICES We would like more volunteers to help with these services which replace Mass when a priest is not available. The service takes about 20 mins and consists of readings from Scripture and Holy Communion. Three people are needed at each service - a prayer leader, a reader and a Eucharistic Minister. At the moment we have a rota of about ten people helping with this work, which means that Holy Communion is available each day even when Fr John is not available. Most of us are aged 70 plus. Services are held at 9am on weekdays and 12 noon Saturday. Please contact Lily 426949 to be included on the rota.

SPONSORSHIP MONEY Still some sponsorship money outstanding from both the June Walk for H.C.P.T and the Morecambe Bay walk for Right to Life. Please put any money owed in an envelope put your name on and pop it onto the collection plate at mass or hand to Arnold Marsden. Many thanks

MORRISONS 'LET'S GROW' vouchers are being collected by our primary school please pop any you may wish to donate into the parish communications box in the porch or hand them in at the presbytery or school. We also collect used batteries. Many thanks

CHRISTMAS FAYRE this year is on Sunday 21 November and preparations are going well. It will be in the newly decorated Hall after morning Mass opening at approx 10.45am. There will be the usual stalls and Father Christmas will, hopefully, have time to come along. A new stall this year is a Craft stall with economically priced items suitable for children to buy for parents etc. They will then be able to get their purchases wrapped so they have a surprise for Mum/Dad on Christmas Day. This year boxes will be placed at the back of church commencing the weekend of October 23/24 in which you may deposit any items you may wish to contribute.

LADIES GROUP Committee meeting on Tues 12th Oct at 7.30pm in the presbytery

K.S.C. Committee meeting on Tuesday 12th October at 7.30pm in the presbytery

CHRISTMAS FAYRE CRAFT STALL Due to unforeseen circumstances the meeting has been changed from **Tuesday 12th to Thursday 14th October** 2pm - 4pm in the presbytery. If you've anything to report, show, in progress, need advice or just want a couple of hours out - come along. Everyone welcome

MEDJUGORJE visit to shrine 24 - 31 May 2011 - see poster in porch

DAY OF RENEWAL The Salesian Convent, Kendal Sat Oct 23. Poster in porch

TEA DANCE this month Wednesday October 20th will be at Trinity Methodist Hall, Parson Lane, Dancing from 2pm - 5pm. Admission £3.50 including excellent afternoon tea. Come and dance the afternoon away - everyone welcome.

SOCIAL CENTRE -TOP BAR

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 30th October
HALOWEEN PARTY NITE

Saturday 20th November
MAMA MIA NITE

Saturday 4th December
SINGER - JOHNNY SOLO

Organised by Liz

CAFOD "Hurst Green Flea Market in the Village Memorial Hall TODAY Sun October 10th from 9am to 4pm. Hot and Cold food and drinks available. The parish CAFOD group will be having a stall, all proceeds will go to the Pakistan Floods Appeal. Bargains galore, come and browse and support a good cause at the same time.

GUIDES Unfortunately due to family work commitments our current Guide leaders wish to resign at Christmas. This means unless we find new volunteers to join an amazing women led organisation the group will not return in 2011. Girl Guiding UK is highly popular and is continuously searching for new volunteer members to support young women in their local communities. The organisation supports with training and ideas and does not matter if you have never been in Guiding before. If you are or someone you know is looking for a new challenge, young at heart and feel you could support us in retaining our Guide Unit please contact Louise Kerr, District Commissioner on 01200 444701

SABDEN STILL NEEDS HELP! HELP! HELP! Over the last few weeks we have publicised the need for parishioners to help on the Hall Cleaners Rota, Sacristan Team and Tea & Coffee Rota but unfortunately had very little response. We really do need YOUR help urgently and would ask you to reconsider helping. Lists are provided at the back of the church on which to put your name. Thank you
BONUS BALL (SABDEN) The bonus ball winner is no 46 Pauline Hindle. Could the winner please collect winnings from Carol or Harry.

*We welcome into God's family and our parish community
Christian John Willis who was baptised at Sabden last Sunday.*

ST MARY'S PARISH HALL (SABDEN) Please note that the person you need to contact if you wish to book the hall is now Tony Hargan and his telephone number is 07711 635084

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL are collecting used batteries and nestle cereal tokens. Please hand them in at school or leave them in the container in the porch.

St Michael & St John's Parish Hall
GRAND RE-OPENING
(after refurbishment & redecoration)
present

PHIL COOL

One of Britain's most unique comedy artists.

FRIDAY 12th NOVEMBER at 7.30pm

Tickets £15 available from Terry in the Social Centre 423073, Janet at the Presbytery 423307,

Mike Bradley 07768 746709,

Les Collinson 07890 042319 or

Damian Buggie (Sabden) 01282 770709

Tickets will also be sold (SMSJ) after both

masses Saturday and Sunday

CHRISTMAS FAYRE (SABDEN)

There is a meeting on Monday 11th October at 8pm in the hall to arrange the Christmas Fayre and other fund raising events for the hall fund. All welcome. **THERE IS ALSO ANOTHER MEETING** on Wednesday 13th October at 7.30pm to discuss plans for the future use of the presbytery.