

Dear Parishioners

A Catholic group is inviting Christians across the UK to place a light in the window on 31 October as a sign to passers-by that they are a Christian household. The initiative *Night of Light* is the inspiration of Damian Stayne, who explained: "The Night of Light is an international initiative to reclaim Halloween as a joyful Christian celebration. Halloween ('All Hallows Eve') is the vigil (beginning) of the Feast of All Saints - the feast in which Catholics celebrate the glory of God in His saints, the victory of light over darkness in the lives of God's holy ones in heaven. Jesus is the 'Light of the World'. The saints lived by that light, and became a beacon in their own generation. Everyone is called by Jesus to live out this vocation - to be the 'Light of the world' for others today."

Halloween is now the biggest commercial festival after Christmas and Easter and, although I don't believe it to be in any way sinister, it is a rather dark, depressing and silly import from the States. Following Pope Benedict's visit perhaps now an opportune time to remind our children of Halloween's true significance. The celebration of feast days is an important part of our Catholic culture. So, this evening why not do something to make your faith respectfully seen? Light a candle or tee light in the window -- perhaps even alongside an image of Christ. This year we have left it a little late to organise more, but tee lights are available at the back of church (with a donation box to cover costs). Take one and put it in your window tonight. Place it on something safe that is not flammable and if friends or neighbours ask you what is happening -- tell them about the Feast of all Saints! I'll put this on the Forum agenda so we may plan for next year. (More ideas and resources to celebrate the night can be found on [nightoflight.org](http://nightoflight.org))

The next Forum meeting is in Sabden Parish Hall on Wednesday at 7.30pm. Again we have a full agenda awaiting important decisions like the times of Masses in Clitheroe and Sabden, Christmas tree festival, pub carols' night and the Christingle. Other items include the hall refurbishment, next year's parish pilgrimage, proposals for Christian Unity week, a meeting for parents to discuss the faith challenges of teenage children's faith practice, introduction of some sung Latin at Mass and plenty more to make the fur fly! Happy All Saints Day.

Fr John

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## All Saints 31st October 2010

### *St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe*



#### **Saturday (30th October)**

11am - 11.45am Sacrament of Reconciliation  
11am - 11.55am Exposition 11.30am Rosary  
Eucharistic Service at noon  
First Mass of Sunday 6pm

#### **Sunday**

Mass at 9.30am

#### **Monday, & Friday**

Eucharistic Service at 9am

#### **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

Mass at 9am

### *St Mary's Church Sabden*

**Sunday** - Mass at 11am

**Friday** - Mass at 9.15am

#### **MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK**

Margaret McKenna (2), Vincent Nolan, Nolan family, James Livesey,  
Brian Smith, Warren Hayton, Nan Dooley

#### **SICK**

Gerry Jacques, Vincenzo Ditri, Valerie Lambert, Margaret McKenna

#### **LATELY DEAD**

Warren Hayton, Vincent Dolan

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

James Livesey, Brian Smith

**WELCOMERS NEXT WEEKEND READERS** Sat - M.Illingworth Sun - C.Riley & M.Marsden  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Sat - L.Perrin & H.Mercer Sun - J.Anwyl  
**TEA & COFFEE ROTA** Sat - L.Perrin & H.Mercer Sun - G.Lambert, I.Parkes, R.Embery  
M.Barrett & C.Clews

**OFFERTORY Clitheroe** - £692.90 **Sabden** £634.57 (3 weeks) Many thanks  
World Mission Sunday - Clitheroe £308.83 Sabden £54.73

**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.

**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.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE** Just a reminder that this year is on Sunday 21 November. A box has been placed near the Baptismal Font in church for you to deposit any donations.

**PAPAL VISIT SOUVENIR** We now have some spare copies which have been placed on the book table (near War Memorial), £3.50 each. Please put money in C.T.S. box. If you ordered one then please collect it from sacristy. Thankyou

**ST FRANCIS XAVIER AWARD** was a scheme introduced last year at Stonyhurst. Award holders are likely to be gifted young Catholics who would benefit from life in a boarding community and thrive in the environment Stonyhurst offers. Beneficiaries of this award may enjoy up to 70% remission off school fees. Want to know more, then pick up a leaflet from the porch.

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** United Advent Service at Trinity Methodist Church on Sunday 5th December 6.30pm. We welcome singers of any age. If you would like to sing in the choir and you are not already on mailing list contact Steuart Kellington 01254 248855 or email: s.kellington@tiscali.co.uk. Rehearsals commence Sunday 7th November 2.30pm - 4.30pm at Trinity

**APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER** November leaflets now available from porch  
**K.S.C. JUMBLE SALE** on Saturday 27th November at 2pm in our Parish Hall. If you would like any Jumble collecting then ring 427096 or 427029 or you can bring it along to the hall anytime after 6.30pm on Friday 26th November.

**OLD GREGORIANS ASSOCIATION** Annual Mass for deceased former pupils and staff of St Gregory's, Ardwick Green, Manchester. Friday 26 November 7.30pm. More details on poster in porch

**WORD IN ACTION** New edition of the magazine published by the Bible Society is now available from the porch FREE Please take one

**PARISH DRAW OCTOBER WINNERS** £100 24 B.Parkinson, £25 128 F.Kerr, £10 - 191 E.Bradley, 162 A.Thornber, 120 P.Holgate, 196 V,Taylor, 100 E.Clegg

*We welcome into God's family and our parish community Isabella Grace Harvey-Higgins and Lucy Ava Mashiter and who were baptised last Sunday*

**SOCIAL CENTRE -TOP BAR**

Saturday 20th November  
**MAMA MIA NITE**

Saturday 4th December  
**SINGER - JOHNNY SOLO**

Organised by Liz

**CAFOD** Feed back on "WHO IS YOUR NEIGHBOUR" cards. In the just arrived CAFOD "CAMPAIGN UPDATE" leaflet, October issue, we read the action of 10,000 post cards to 10 Downing Street on the 10-10-10 surpassed even the increased target from 10,000 to 20,000 - WELL DONE. A big thank you to those who signed the cards pushing for a fair deal at the UN Climate Change talks in Mexico in December.

**QUILT** Some years ago a parish member, now deceased, made an exhibition quilt. It took 9 months to make and it was made for love with the hope that it would bring great happiness to its owners. It is made from American cotton, fully washable and uses machine Trapunto, machine quilting and some hand embroidery - apparently quite unique. The design is a traditional single Irish chain with Celtic inspired designs. We are organising "a draw" at £5 "a go". This weekend, view the quilt and enter the draw (£5) to win this beautifully crafted gift. The draw will take place at the end of the Christmas Tree Festival on 12th December.

**BONUS BALL (SABDEN)** The bonus ball winner is no 12 Violet Robson. Winners please collect winnings from Carol or Harry.

**ST MICHAEL & ST JOHNS PARISH CENTRE**

have a vacancy for a cleaner to carry out weekend cleaning duties and provide cover for weekday cleaner for time-off for leave or illness. To provide additional caretaking duties by arrangement.

Regular hours Saturday 9am - 12 noon,  
Sunday morning 9am - 12 noon.

Rate of pay £6 per hour.

Additional hours by arrangement. Rate £6 per hour.

To arrange an interview contact: Mrs Evans on  
01254 828820 during office hours or  
mobile 07970 783680 or contact the Steward  
Terry Peters in person or by phone on 01200 423073

**ST MARY'S PARISH HALL**

**(SABDEN)** 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 batteries and nestle cereal t-ens. Please hand them in at school or in the container in the porch.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

**(SABDEN)** Need all usual

things for sale, especially candles and cosmetics, items over £1 or over in value suitable to be sold on a £1 stall and tombola prize. Also raffle prizes for grand draw, there is a list in the porch, so add your name if you can sponsor a prize. Please get involved and lets make this year's fair a huge success. There will again be hand made wreaths - an order list will be in the porch soon. Still looking for a fairy to help Father Christmas - **COULD THIS BE YOU?**

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