

Dear Parishioners,

There was an excellent attendance at last Wednesday's Forum and a lively discussion.

We decided to leave the times of Sunday Masses as they are and rather investigate how better we may cater for families with young children. So, we now have two groups at work: the *Parents Faith Forum* which will concentrate on promoting the spiritual development of 11 to 15 year olds and the *Youth Concern Group* which will explore the faith needs of young families.

Weld Day this year will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Forum agreed that we shall have one open-air Mass on our field at 10.30am for both the Clitheroe and Sabden communities instead of the two Sunday Masses. This will be followed by what has developed over the past two years into a pleasant and popular parish summer picnic. Make a note in your diaries for Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July and invite family and friends along. The usual Saturday night Mass at 6pm will not be affected.

There are a number of elderly parishioners who would love to join us on Sundays if only they had transport to church. To encourage and co-ordinate this, Julie Woodhead has volunteered to organise a car rota. So, if you would like a lift to Mass on either Saturday evening or Sunday morning, please ring Julie on 428 009 and those with a spare seat in their car who are happy to help, please also contact Julie.

There are a number of ecumenical events coming up in June. On Friday and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June last year's free barbecue for the town will be repeated. Kevin Shepherd will coordinate our volunteers. If you are interested, please take a leaflet from the back for details and ring Kevin on 428 915.

The following weekend on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June in St Mary's there will be a dramatised reading of St Mark's Gospel and on Saturday the Book of Ruth. If you are interested, please go to St Mary's, this Wednesday at 7.30pm.

Finally, the churches have been invited to provide some supervised children's food-based activities in St Mary's Hall during the Clitheroe Food Festival on August 13<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help with the children then go to St May's this Friday at 7.30pm to learn what is involved or ring 0796 957 6691.

Fr John

# Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe & Sabden

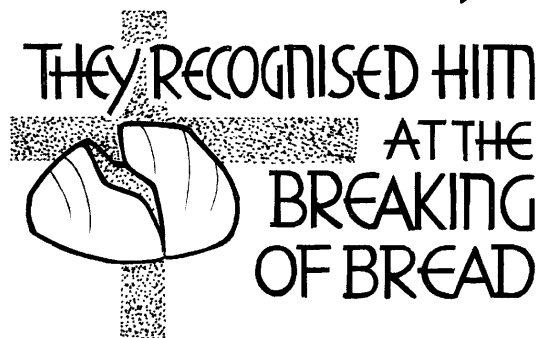
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**Third Sunday of Easter - 8th May 2011**

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



**Sunday**

Mass at 9.30am followed by coffee

**Monday**

Eucharistic Service at 9am

**Tuesday & Wednesday & Thursday**

Mass at 9am

**Friday**

Eucharistic Service at 9am

**Saturday (14th May)**

11-11.45am Sacrament of Reconciliation

11 - 11.55am Exposition 11.30am - Rosary

Eucharistic Service at noon First Mass of Sunday 6pm

*St Mary's Church Sabden*

**Sunday** - Mass at 11am followed by coffee

**Friday** - Mass 9.15am

**MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK**

William Lambert, James Hindle, Sr Ignatius Julie SND, Hilda Dewhurst

**SICK**

Vincenzo Ditri

**LATELY DEAD**

Hilda Dewhurst

**ANNIVERSARIES**

William Lambert, Sr Ignatius Julie SND

## WELCOMERS NEXT WEEKEND

**Saturday** - J.Bentley **Sunday** - B.Barker & K.Peel

## READERS

**Saturday** - L.Perrin **Sunday** - P.Donnely

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Saturday** - R.Carter & B.Taylor **Sunday** - P.Sutcliffe, C & J Leeming

## TEA & COFFEE

SVP members

**OFFERTORY** St Michael & St John's £750.23 Sabden £146.85 Many thanks

**A.P.F.MISSION (Red Boxes)** £698.35 Many thanks

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

**MEMBERSHIP** Membership fees may be renewed every Monday, Friday and Sunday evenings. Fees to increase - £10 for adults, £5 for OAP's & students.

**LADIES GROUP NEXT TRIP** Sorry but due to lack of support the trip to Eden Camp has been cancelled. Our next evening trip will be on the of Wednesday 29th June will be the Mystery Tour and we hope to have more information for next week. The next Ladies Group Committee meeting will be tomorrow Monday 9th May at 7.30pm in the presbytery.

**ARDEN YOUTH CHOIR** - NEXT Saturday 14th May at 7.30pm in the church. Organised by our Ladies Group with proceeds to MacMillan Nurses. Tickets are only £5 and include refreshments. Please support - come along and enjoy what promises to be a fantastic evening.

**AFTERNOON TEA DANCE** Wednesday 18th May in our Parish Hall 2pm - 5pm. Come along and enjoy a dance, a chat and excellent Afternoon Tea - all for £3.50 !!!

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK** This year runs from 15 - 21 May. Please could we have some more help distributing and collecting envelopes - your help would be greatly appreciated. **COFFEE AND BISCUITS** in Ribble Valley Town Hall NEXT Saturday 14th May 10am-12 noon. Bring & Buy and Traidcraft Stalls £1 - pay on door **TESCO/SAINSBURY** vouchers are being collected by our Primary School.

**CREATION, EVOLUTION AND CRISIS OF FAITH** find out the answers and bring your questions to Greygarth hall on Thursday May 12th. See poster in porch

**RWANDA GROUP TRUST** who help the poor in Rwanda through their Charity Shop in Preston are having their Annual get together at Alston Lane RC Parish Hall in Grimsargh at 2pm Sunday 15th May. Jacobs Join - so bring a sandwich or some other food to share. More details in porch

**CATHOLIC COMPANION** May edition now on Sale

*Next Sunday there will be a retiring collection  
for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund*

**CAFOD** There will be a meeting today Sunday May 8th at 7.30pm in the presbytery

**MEMORIAL MASS** A Memorial Mass is to be offered for Trudi Mansfield, a recently deceased member of the parish CAFOD group and friend to many on Tuesday May 17th at 7.30pm in this church. May she rest in peace

**JOIN LEEDS PEOPLE FOR LIFE** Today Sunday 8th May York. See poster in porch

**DVD OF PAPAL VISIT** Official DVD of the Papal visit has been produced and is now available to us for only £5.99. (full retail price £9.99) If you would like one then please put your name and tel no on the list on the shelves

**CAFOD** invite you to come along to our con-Village Blackburn (formerly Nazareth House) on Saturday 14th May at 7.30pm. The Brixton singers from Bolton will perform a Spring Evening of Song. Tickets are £8 in aid of CAFOD and available from 0161 705 0605 or on the door.

**SECRET SINGERS** United Reformed Church Thursdays 10.30am - 12 noon from 4th May - £4 per session - See poster in porch

**ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS** Schoenstatt Shrine Kearsley, Bolton on Saturdays during May. See poster in porch. Also at the Schoenstatt Shrine May Day and Pilgrim Mother Rally on Sunday 15th May at 1.30pm. See poster in porch

**K.S.C.** Council meeting next Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm in presbytery

**BAPTISMS** we welcome Lucas Wilkinson, Grace Yates and Freddie Wellman who were baptised at St Michael & St John's last Sunday 1st May

*Confirmation & First Holy Communion cards now on sale from  
table at back of church. Please put money in C.T.S.box*

## SABDEN NEWS

**BONUS BALL (SABDEN)** The bonus ball this week is no 21 P & S White. Please collect winnings from Carol or Harry. There are still 2 spare numbers for this weekly draw if anyone would like to join in, again see Carol or Harry.

**GARDEN PARTY/SPRING FAYRE** There will be a meeting on Wednesday 25th May at 7.30pm in the hall - this is a provisional date to be confirmed. This may be an opportunity also to discuss or vote for our 2 representatives for the joint finance committee.

**TESCO VOUCHERS** are being collected also by Sabden school.

**ST MARY'S PARISH HALL (SABDEN)** To book the hall contact Tony Hargan and his telephone number is 07711 635084

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

## CAFOD/SCOUTS

## CLOTHES SALE

of new Children's and Ladies wear. Kindly donated by a high street store.

Saturday 21st May in  
St Michael & St John's  
Parish Hall  
10am - 3pm.

at the back of church.

cert at Larmenier Retirement  
on Saturday 14th May at

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