

Dear Parishioners, Congratulations to the families of our 34 children who received the priceless gift the Lord in their First Holy Communion last Sunday in St Michael and St John's. We pray that they continue to delight in how loved and special they are to God and that going to Mass and Holy Communion will always remain important to them. Sabden's First Holy Communicants join us today at the Weld Mass to complete their initiation programme and receive their certificates.

There are 45 mature trees in our cemetery. I know because a recent survey examined them and revealed that five are dangerous and must be felled and a further 14 require a tree surgeon's attention!

The church heating system has undergone major surgery! The expansion joint that has caused major concern and leakage over the past couple of years has been by-passed and a computerised miser control has been fitted to the boiler. This should economise on gas while ensuring that the church is always adequately heated.

Ensuring a warm church is important not only for the congregation but also for the fabric of the building. Fuel is costly but not as expensive as an outbreak of dry rot! Last winter's heating bill, from October to March, was £6,000!

Work has begun on the new church security system. When this is commissioned we shall be able to leave the church open during daylight hours.

To eradicate and prevent a reoccurrence of the unsightly black condensation marks in St Mary's Sabden, a new ceiling is being installed. Work should be completed before school Mass on Friday. The church now requires decorating. There will be a meeting in the Sabden parish hall a week on Thursday, 14th July, to discuss colour schemes and any other matters of concern. We are one parish and so Clitheroe folk are also welcome.

The parish has also to pay £7,800 towards the cost of the new entrance to the school. That and the other bills mentioned will come to nearly £30,000. The new finance committee has lots to get its teeth into.

We welcome seminarian Michael Quinn who will be with us for the coming three weeks.

Finally, gratitude goes to the three anonymous donors who have paid for the new missals in memory of deceased family members. Fr John

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14th Sunday Ordinary time - 3rd July 2011

St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe



Sunday (3rd July)

Mass at 10.30am on the field

Monday, & Wednesday

Mass at 9am

Tuesday

Eucharistic Service 9am

Thursday

School Mass at 9.15am

Friday

Eucharistic Service 9am

Saturday (9th July)

11.15 - 11.45am Sacrament of Reconciliation

11 - 11.55am Exposition 11.30am - Rosary

Noon—Eucharistic Service First Mass of Sunday 6pm

1.30pm Nuptial Mass

David Clements & Samantha Peyton

St Mary's Church Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 10.30am at Clitheroe

Friday - Mass at 9.15am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Dennis McKenna, Teresa Tomlinson, Marie Horne, Lee Bialecki x 2

SICK

Glenys Campbell, Dorothy Hunt, Rae Carter, Teresa Tomlinson

LATELY DEAD

Lee Bialecki, Joan Robinson

ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis McKenna, Margaret McGough,

WELCOMERS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday - M.Roberts **Sunday** - J.Clegg & E.Davies

READERS

Saturday - C.Riley **Sunday** - C.Morgan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday - B.Worden & A.Southworth **Sunday** - R.Embery, I.Parkes, P.Sutcliffe

OFFERTORY Clitheroe - £712.92 Holy Communion Mass £470.90 Sabden £85.54
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. **SUNDAY JULY 31st** - A meeting for members in the club at 7.30pm to elect a new committee.

GIFT AID STATEMENTS if you have still not received your Gift Aid statement for 2010/11 please see Janet

RIGHT TO LIFE Sponsorship money **MUST be in by next weekend**. You can still place any sponsorship money or donations on the collection plate (in an envelope clearly marked with your name) or hand it in to Arnold or Janet.

RESCUE SOCIETY' ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY Sat 30 July at 1pm. Tel 0161 817 2250 or www.caritassalford.org.uk We have received some Raffle tickets (£1 each) to sell - if anyone would like one please see Janet

PARISH DRAW WINNERS JUNE £100 28 F.Worden, £25 199 V.Hollis, 61 F.Nelson, 217 B.Warren, 125 M.Illingworth, £10 132 J.Leeming, 47 T.Charnley, 23 J.Parkinson, 65 P.O'Donnell, 42 Mrs Byrne, 155 Mrs Spackman, 92 J.Blackledge, 143 T.Pearce, 82 J.Balshaw, 159 E.Thomson. Thankyou to all who have supported the parish draw this past year. It will commence again in September.

MASS OF HEALING There will be a Mass of Healing at 2pm Sunday 24th July. It will be held in our Parish Hall followed by refreshments. If you wish to attend please fill in a form at the back of church and place in the box provided before 20th July or hand to a Eucharistic minister; a member of the Knights; or a member of the SVP

LADIES GROUP Committee meeting Monday 11 July 7.30pm in the presbytery

ROSARY OF THE UNBORN will be said each day after Mass/Eucharistic Service this week for all Pro-Life intentions. Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER July leaflets now available free from porch

CATHOLIC VOICES: media training for Catholic youth: Autumn 2011. Following last year's Catholic Voices speakers' programme, which trained young people during the Papal Visit to respond to the media, Catholic Voices are again offering training, in Leeds. The training will take place over three weekends in October, November and December 2011. The idea is to assemble a team of people who, after training, will be happy to talk on radio and television about being a Catholic and to discuss what the Church believes and teaches. **The training is free.** This is an opportunity for young Catholics between the ages of 20 and 45 to deepen their understanding of the contentious issues behind news stories and learn the techniques and outlook which Catholic Vocces have developed. Interested? See me

NEW ROTA'S for July - September are now available - see Janet

CAFOD The 9th of July marks a momentous occasion, the creation of Africa's newest country. For Southern Sudanese the birth of their new nation. Against a backdrop of decades of civil war and current high tensions, it is a time full of hope in looking to a prosperous future for both North and South Sudan. You are requested to keep the people in your prayers at this time. Thank you

LIFTS FOR ELDERLY PARISHIONERS We are again appealing for people with cars to help bring elderly parishioners to mass at weekends, Please ring Julie Woodhead 01200 428009

LOYOLA SCOUT GROUP require a Scout Leader. We are asking all Adults **COULD YOU VOLUNTEER?** Scouting cannot exist without the skills and enthusiasm of adults. There has never been a better time to get involved. This is **YOUR** opportunity to help our young people to benefit from all that scouting can give them. Help and support will be given. If you require more info please contact us. Vol_ntee_ and keep us running smoothly...What is missing? **UR.** Come on - join the adventure. Bernard Mercer - Group Scout leader 01200 429960 or Grace Fellows - Assistant Scout leader.

VACANCY Holy Cross Sixth Form College is looking for a temporary Lay Chaplain. Details on poster in the porch or www.holycross.ac.uk

CLITHEROE CHRISTIANS IN PARTNERSHIP at St Mary Magdalene on Sunday July 17th at 6.30pm - A journey through the Bible through readings and well known hymns. Come to listen and to sing! Tea and Bible cake will be served afterwards

SABDEN NEWS

BONUS BALL (SABDEN) The bonus ball this week is no 31 The Taylor family 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.

GIFT AIDERS please pick up your annual statement from the box in the porch

ROTA'S New rota's for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers are in the sacristy - please collect

REDECORATION OF CHURCH There will be a meeting Thursday 14th July at 7.30pm in the Hall to discuss the redecoration of the church, and to confirm the finance committee membership. Please try to come along.

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.

St Mary's Primary School, Sabden

END OF TERM BARBECUE

Saturday 16th July
3pm - 6pm
in the school grounds

BBQ - Disco - Toy Stall
Bottle Stall -
Traditional Ice Cream
Vendor

Admission
£2 adults
£1 children



Everyone Welcome