

Dear Parishioners

The Parish Forum meets on Wednesday at 7.30pm in the hall at Sabden. I'm afraid that attendance tends to be low when we meet the other side of the Nick but with light evenings I do urge Clitheroe parishioners to make the effort to meet the other half of our parish.

An important item will be the matter that I spoke of on Corpus Christi: the need for silence in church before Mass to allow for prayer and preparation for the mysteries we gather to celebrate. If this is to become our practice then we need to adopt a common policy in both churches. Catching up with events and friends can take place after Mass and preferably at coffee which is served on Sunday in both our communities.

I have discussed the possibility of changing both the day and the time for Confirmations and First Communion in Clitheroe with Miss Britnell and Mr Murray and we have a couple of proposals to place before the Forum.

A request has been made for later midweek Masses. I don't see much possibility of this but we can certainly discuss any reasonable proposals.

In addition to these matters we shall have the usual full agenda. So do come along and have your say.

The diocesan Centre for Church and Industry, which is based in both Salford and Accrington, offers training in various skills to help those faced with redundancy or who are less than 6 months unemployed. For details please consult the poster at the back of the church.

I have been asked why we now recite two different Creeds at Sunday Masses. Creeds are brief summaries of what we as a Catholic community believe. The Apostles Creed, the shortest of the two used at mass, dates back to the earliest days of the church. Until recently it was reserved for specific occasions but may now be used every Sunday. The longer and more sophisticated Nicene Creed which stresses the divinity of Jesus Christ was agreed at the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople in the 4th century. At our Sunday Masses we follow the Creed chosen by the editor of the Mass sheets! These Creeds are also accepted by Christians of other denominations.

Congratulations to our Altar servers who have finished their apprenticeship and today receive their St Stephen Guild medals.

Finally, Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to attend a training session on either this Thursday at 7.30pm or Saturday at 3pm.

Fr John

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe & Sabden

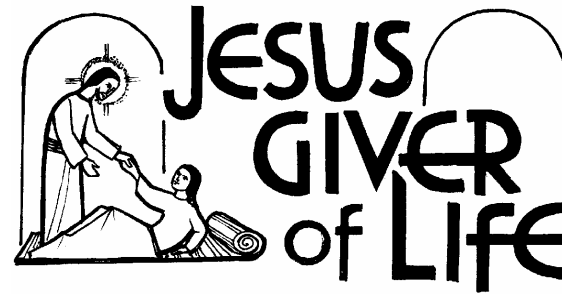
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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) - 1st July 2012

St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe



Sunday - Weld Day

Mass at 10.30am (sung)
held in Church Garden

Monday & Friday

Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday

Mass at 9.15am

Wednesday & Thursday

Mass at 9am

Saturday (6th July)

11am-11.55am - Exposition

11am - 11.45am Reconciliation

11.30am - Rosary 12noon Eucharistic Service

6pm First Mass of Sunday (quiet)

St Mary's Church Sabden

Sunday - No Mass today in Sabden - Mass in Clitheroe 10.30am

Friday - Mass at 9.15am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Denis McKenna x 2, Vi Bourke

SICK

Sally Hickling, Raymond Wailing, Mark Jezierski

LATELY DEAD

Vi Bourke

ANNIVERSARIES

Denis McKenna

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £ 790.84 Sabden £189.53 Many thanks
Peters Pence £163.92

**Please note: the Social Centre is now open 7 days a week
from 7pm and Sunday lunchtime from 12noon - 3pm**

SOCIAL CENTRE Sunday evening In addition to the usual Quiz on a Sunday evening is 'Play your Cards Right'. Please come along - Everyone welcome

SOCIAL CENTRE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Memberships can be renewed from 8.30pm every Monday or Friday evening

CATHOLIC SINGLES is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel 0161 941 3498, website www.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk

CARITAS (the Rescue Society) has published a report on the crises in Foster Care in the UK. For more information fostering@caritassalford.org.uk

CATECHESIS part time courses - see poster in porch

TABOR We have received the new programmes September - December from Tabor in Preston. Please collect your copy from porch

HALLS FOR HIRE for Birthdays, Celebrations, Funeral receptions, Anniversaries etc. For St Michael & St John's contact Kevin Shepherd 01200 428915 and for St Mary's, Sabden contact Suzanne Brown 01282 771517

ST MARY'S COLLEGE Three Evening Degree (ACCA Accredited) to commence September 2012. Tuition fees £5,500 per year - more affordable than majority of universities. For more information contact Jean Isherwood on 01254 586977 or j.isherwood@stmarysblackburn.ac.uk or go along to the Information College will be offering free transport on the College bus services in the new academic year.

XAVERIAN BROTHERS To celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Xavarian College in Manchester, past pupils are cordially invited to the celebration of Mass to thank God for the work of the Xaverian Brothers in providing education for the people of Manchester. Bishop Brain and Archbishop Longley (a former student of the College) have agreed to Concelebrate the Mass,

which will take place on Saturday 7th July 2012 at 1.30pm at the Church of St Edward of the Confessor, Rusholme. The parish has had a long association with the Xaverian Brothers and the church adjoins the College property. We are also delighted to open the College buildings and grounds to our guests after the completion of the Mass to share refreshments together. If you wish to attend ring 0161 224 1781

MASS OF HEALING will take place on Sunday July 15th at 2pm in our Parish Hall. If you would like to attend please fill in a form from the back of church and return it to the box in the church porch by Wednesday July 11th.

St Michael & St John's Primary School



SUMMER FAYRE

**SATURDAY 7th JULY
1pm - 4pm**

on our church field

BBQ - Beer tent - Books - Cakes
Cream Teas - Emergency vehicles
Face Painting - Nail art and transfers
Coconut shy - Tombolas - Welly wanging
space hopper races - cheerleading and
gymnastics

**Come along and join in - something
for the whole family.**

NEXT WEEKEND	Saturday	Sunday
Welcomers	M.Valovin	R & F Holgate
Readers	L.Perrin	G.Webb
Eucharistic Ministers	B.Worden & H.Mercer	J.Hall, S.Hall, I.Parkes
Tea & Coffee Rota		B.Parkinson/M.Maffia/M.Manning

MEMORIAL SERVICE for the late Phyllis Bowman founder and director of Right to Life Tuesday July 3rd 5.30pm Westminster Cathedral, London. See poster in porch for more details

CLITHEROE

ROTAS New Rotas for Welcomers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Coffee Rota are now available. If we have your email address you should have received yours by now (they were sent Monday 18th June). If you still haven't had your copy please let Janet know. For those of you who haven't an email address can find their copy in the box in alphabetical order on the table as you enter the sacristy.

CATHOLIC COMPANION June edition now on sale - still only £1

LADIES GROUP are having a Bottle Tombola at the School Fete NEXT Saturday 7th July. Please can anyone donate a bottle for this event. We will be very grateful. Proceeds are for the school. Many thanks for your past generosity

PARISH DRAW WINNERS JUNE £100 147 P.Trotter, **£25** 180 M.Walmsley, 27 C.Mashiter, 173 B.Lawton, 39 Miss Graham **£10** 110 J.Leeming, 154 T.Wilkinson, 34 J.Wharton, 71 J.Bentley, 232 Mr Fox, 126 E.Richardson, 221 M.Gidlow, 185 B.Peters, 36 Mr Plant, 77 Mr Blockeel. Many thanks to all of you who support the draw and special thanks to all the agents - you are very much appreciated.

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

APF MISSIONS The last quarterly magazine did not arrive in time to be distributed. Copies however are on their way and will be put out in the porch for you to collect when they are received.

SABDEN

BONUS BALL The bonus ball this week is no 5 Jane Davies.

OLYMPIC QUIZ will now take place on Wednesday 18th July in St Mary's Hall, Sabden. There is a team sign up sheet in the porch. Please put money in envelope with team name on and give to Fr John.

PRIZE BINGO NIGHT This coming Thursday 5th July in St Mary's Hall. Admission £5 which includes supper and first game of Bingo, (more books can be purchased if you wish). We are looking for donations of prizes for this event, and these may be handed to Margaret Parsons, Kay Galea or Jean Haythornthwaite or left at church. There will also be a Raffle. Come along for a good fun night.

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