

Dear Parishioners

There was a good attendance at the Parish Forum on Wednesday with plenty of animated discussion. Two important decisions were taken.

For a trial period, Mass will be celebrated on a weekday evening, probably on a Thursday. For the next few weeks my evenings are fully booked so we will not begin for a few weeks. In the meantime, if this is of interest to you, would you let me know whether you would prefer the Mass at 7pm or 7.30pm?

Again for an experimental period, Sunday Masses will be preceded by five minutes of silence for a period of private prayer in preparation for Mass. A bell will announce the commencement of the silence.

Parishioners with an email address can request a copy of the minutes of this and future meeting. Please send your email address to Janet. Typed copies are pinned on the notice boards of both church and further information will appear on this page.

Handrails are currently being made for the front steps to the presbytery, the steps inside the side church porch, those to the stage in the social centre and for the spiral staircase to the Choir loft.

Presumably as a result of the snow we experienced over recent winters slates slipped from the round roof at the rear of the church and from the presbytery. Repairs could only be made from scaffolding. So for less than two hours work scaffolding had to be erected, costing £250 at the church and £150 at the presbytery!

Part 1 of the training and refresher course for all Ministers of Holy communion took place last week and part 2 concludes this week. So now we must turn attention to Readers. Please, please let's have some volunteers and especially from the younger end of the congregation. Have you ever considered a parent and child forming a team? Independently, teenagers from year 6 onwards will be especially welcome. So please do consider this service and give your names to either me, Janet or Andy McGuire.

Any couple celebrating a 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (or more) this year is welcome to join a Mass of Thanksgiving with the Bishop in the Cathedral at noon on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October. Please see me for an invitation.

Fr John

# Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe & Sabden

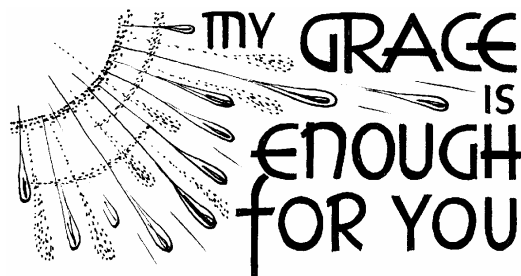
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**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) - 8th July 2012**

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



**Sunday**

Mass at 9.30am followed by Coffee

**Monday & Friday**

Eucharistic Service at 9am

**Tuesday**

Mass at 9.15am

**Wednesday & Thursday**

Mass at 9am

**Saturday (14th July)**

11am-11.55am - Exposition      11am - 11.45am Reconciliation

11.30am - Rosary      No Eucharistic Service at noon

1pm Nuptial Mass - Mark Ashley & Laura Child

6pm First Mass of Sunday (quiet)

**Sunday 15th July** - Mass of healing at 2pm in our Parish Hall

*St Mary's Church Sabden*

**Sunday** - Mass at 11am

**Friday** - Mass at 9.15am

**MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK**

In thanksgiving, Alan Brown, Maria & Jack Middleton, James Albert Hartley

**SICK**

Bernard Lawton, Mark Jezierski, Sally Hickling

**LATELY DEAD**

Alan Brown

**ANNIVERSARIES**

James Albert Hartley, Bette Coleman

*There will be a retiring collection for The Apostleship of the Sea at all masses next weekend.*

**OFFERTORY** Clitheroe, Sabden (incl SS Peter & Paul) £800.88 Many thanks  
Peters Pence £163.92 Sabden £63.43

**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.catholicssingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicssingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicssingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicssingles.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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**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.

**CAFOD** "OPEN TO ALL" Concert Series, a wide range of musical performances, folk, jazz, gospel, the highlight being the BBC Symphony Orchestra Players. During the 2012 British open Golf Championships at Lytham St Annes, a joint venture between CAFOD groups at Our Lady Star of the Sea church St Annes, and St Josephs Church Ansdell, will provide the venues for the concerts. From Monday 16th to Saturday 21st July. Further information and a full list of the concerts, which includes The A Cappella Singers from the Ribble Valley, can be seen on the notice board in our church main porch. Do have a read - a nice day out!

**APOLOGY** Janet wishes to apologise to anyone who may have left a message on the BT 1571 answering service on her home telephone (01200 424657) and not received a reply from her This facility had been cancelled, or so she thought, on April 3rd of this year, and consequently she has not been checking for messages.

NEXT WEEKEND	Saturday	Sunday
Welcomers	P.Hardwick	P.Dixon & E.Thomson
Readers	M.Taylforth	School
Eucharistic Ministers	R.Carter & A.Southworth	R.Embery, P.Donnely, A.Marsden
Tea & Coffee Rota		M.Geddles, L.Curphey, P.Holgate

**TEA DANCE** Wednesday 18th July 2pm - 5pm in our Parish Hall. Come and enjoy a delicious Afternoon Tea - still only £3.50

**TABOR SCHOOL OF PRAYER** September 2012 - May 2013 - Sharing the journey of prayer with others. The School of Prayer is for those who realise the importance of personal prayer in their lives and are seeking a deeper relationship with God. The course is intended to be experimental. Participants will be invited to take an active part in spiritual conversation, workshops and small group sharing. Please contact us for a brochure and application form. Closing date 8th September 2012

**FIRST CHOICE CREDIT UNION** Drop in at the Citizens Advice Bureau, 19-21 Parson Lane, Clitheroe 01200 428966 on Fridays between 2pm and 3pm. See poster in porch

**MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** Part 2 - this Thursday at 7.30pm and next Saturday at 3.30pm in the presbytery

### **CLITHEROE**

**APF MISSIONS** The quarterly magazines have now arrived - please pick yours up from the church porch.

**K.S.C. COUNCIL MEETING** Tuesday 10th July at 7.30pm in the presbytery

**CATHOLIC COMPANION** July edition now on sale - still only £1

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** August 29th Ladies Treasure Hunt and Dinner - more details next week hopefully.

**CHRISTIAN AID** there is to be a collection on Thursday July 26th at Clitheroe Tesco; volunteers needed for an hour (or more) - please contact either [andyfroud@gmail.com](mailto:andyfroud@gmail.com) or Sue Shepherd on 01200 425053

**CARDS** A fresh supply of cards, rosary beads etc are now on sale at the back of church - excellent value for money. New are some beautiful Gift Wallets

### **SABDEN**

**BONUS BALL** The bonus ball this week is no 41 Leo & Betty Clarkson

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

