

Dear Parishioners

Last Thursday Pope Benedict inaugurated the [Year of Faith](#) which runs until 24th November next year. His request is that during the coming twelve months Catholics take the opportunity to grow in their faith so as to be able to share it with others in a convincing way. The task of sharing the gift of faith was given to each of us at Baptism but despite catholic schooling and many years of faithful practice many of us lack the confidence to do this. So during the coming year in this deanery we shall follow in each parish a programme of ten meetings geared to giving us both the knowledge and the confidence to share that priceless treasure that most of us keep to ourselves. To introduce this programme and a number of other events there will be a meeting at St Alban's, Blackburn, this Tuesday evening at 7.30pm and another here in the Parish Centre this Thursday at 7.30pm to explain the deanery's [Year of Faith](#) strategy. **YOU** are welcome to either one; I shall be at both.

This year Remembrance Sunday falls on Remembrance Day itself, 11th November and I have been invited to lead the Civic Memorial Service at the Castle Cenotaph at 12noon. Fr Birmingham will celebrate the 11oclock Sunday Mass in Sabden.

Next year the Bishop will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on children from both our schools in St Michael and St John's Church at 7pm on Thursday 25th April. Any children or adults who have not been confirmed and wish to receive this sacrament should contact me.

We need to reorganise the rota of car owners who kindly bring parishioners to Sunday Mass. Julie Woodhead who was the coordinator of the scheme has moved to live in Orkney and thankfully Rae Carter has agreed to take over from her. The pool of drivers has shrunk over the recent years, so we need more volunteers, and the more the better, so that lending a helpful hand doesn't necessarily become a weekly chore. If you can help or are simply interested to learn more, please contact me or Rae ☎01200 424198.

HCPT sponsored walk this afternoon. Are you joining us? Meet outside church ready for 1.30pm departure. *Fr John*

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) - 14th October 2012

St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by Coffee

Monday & Friday

Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday & Wednesday

Mass at 9am

Thursday

Mass at 7.30pm

Saturday (20th October)

11am-11.55am - Exposition 11am - 11.45am Reconciliation (Confession)

11.30am - Rosary 12noon Eucharistic Service

6pm First Mass of Sunday (quiet)

St Mary's Church, Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am

Friday - Mass at 9.15am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Jacqueline & Eric Cowell, Maria Griffin, Brenda Doherty, Special intention

SICK

Mary Shepherd, Sally Hickling, Cecilia Brown

LATELY DEAD

Maria Griffin, Brenda Doherty, Bill Tattersall

ANNIVERSARIES

Jacqueline & Eric Cowell, Tom Haslam

Next Sunday is World Mission Day their will be a retiring collection at all masses

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £704.43 Sabden £164.40 Many thanks
CAFOD The Harvest Fast Day envelopes collected £703.82. With grateful thanks for your generous sharing.

Please note: the Social Centre is now open 7 days a week from 7pm and Sunday lunchtime from 12noon - 3pm Take a look at the newsletter on the porch notice board to see a full programme of events

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

BAR STAFF required for the Parish Centre - please contact Kevin 423073

BINGO every Tuesday in our Parish Centre every Tuesday at 7.30pm

H.C.P.T.WALK The walk for Handicapped Childrens Holiday starts from church at 1.30pm prompt. This is a new walk so it is essential to keep close together. Transport will be available on route for anyone who feels they cannot do it all.

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT required at Cathedral Centre, Salford - see poster in porch

WORD IN ACTION - Winter magazine edition from the Bible Society - FREE - please pick up a copy from porch.

CAFOD "SHARE THE HARVEST". A concert to mark CAFOD's 50th Anniversary. Come and support our Diocesan schools choir and CAFOD's work with children in the developing world. St Albans RC Church, Larkhill, Blackburn, Thursday 18th October at 7pm. Admission free- retiring collection for CAFOD

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Saturday 17th November at Salford Cathedral special day to celebrate 50th Anniversary of CAFOD - see poster in porch

CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT Friday 9th November at 7.30pm St Philip's Parish Hall, Padiham. Tickets £5 in Hot-Pot supper. Bring your own drinks. Information Fred Uttley 01282 773032

ST MARY'S COLLEGE sixth form information evening - see poster in porch

CARITAS vacancies - Social Worker and Admin Officer - see posters in porch

CLITHEROE

ROTAS/GIFT AID STATEMENTS are now available from the shelf on the corridor outside the parish office

LITTLE CHURCH New members needed to help run groups. No need to be a parent or even have children - just enthusiasm and a willingness to teach young children about the gospel. Contact Geraldine Hennigan 01200 425504.

COFFEE MORNING Friday 19th October 10am-1pm at 23 Castle View. Home-made cake stall and Bring and Buy books. In aid of Genesis Research Trust Women for Women Cycle Challenge 2013

CATHOLIC COMPANION October edition now on sale only £1

UNWANTED TOYS an appeal for unwanted toys for the Christmas Fair. Please bring to presbytery



Congratulations and Best Wishes to Frank & Margaret Wrigley who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary last Thursday

Next weekend rota	Saturday	Sunday
Welcomers	M.Illingworth	A & J Marsden
Readers	A.McGuire	G.Lambert
Eucharistic Ministers	B.Worde & H.Addy	S.Hall, J.Hall, T.Mercer
Tea & Coffee Rota		M.Geddes, L.Curphey, P.Holgate

TEA DANCE Wednesday 17th October 2pm - 5pm in our Parish Hall. Come and enjoy a delicious Afternoon Tea - still only £3.50

MISSION (APF RED BOXES) We need either an existing mission box collector or a new collector to pick up boxes in the Edisford area. Also if anyone has a box that has not been emptied please bring it to church.

LADIES GROUP We invite ladies of all ages to come and join us at our meetings; beside our charity events we do have fun - well organised trips and excellent speakers. You will be made very welcome. Do come and join a friendly group. Our group are appealing to your generosity in donating Gifts, cakes, jams and Homemade produce for this years Christmas Fayre.

PARISH SUPPER a date for your diary Saturday 9th February 2013. As last years event was so enjoyable we are hoping to replicate it. More details later

CHRISTMAS FAYRE This year will be held on Saturday 24th November from 11am - 2pm. The change of date is to offer more people the opportunity to attend, purchase craft items, cakes, plants, toys, have a go on the different Tombola stalls and partake in bacon or sausage sandwich. Lets all pull together to make this event a huge success. All proceeds will go towards the redecoration of our church.

BAPTISM We welcome into our Parish Community Guillaume Damien Jean-Yves Niquet and Chloe Evelyn Naylor who were baptised recently.

SABDEN

BONUS BALL this week no 4 Clare Firth

MURDER MYSTERY EVENING Saturday 17th November in the Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets £6 including light supper. To organise this there will be an initial read through on Tuesday 16th October at 7.30pm. If you would like to be a part of this whether cast, crew, or just to see what it's all about please come along.

NEXT SUNDAY after Mass we will be starting our efforts towards the Christmas Fayre with Raffle tickets on sale. Also we will organise carrier bags for donations of items for sale.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 1st December 2pm-4pm. To include the grand draw

SOUL NIGHT 'Sabden Live' are holding a 'Soul Night' NEXT Saturday 20th October in St Mary's Hall. Live music from Soul band 'Rambunkshus' and Soul Disco. Licenced bar. Doors open 7.30pm and tickets available from Lisa or Kevan Lingard Tel: 07738 904270 or 07512 032051. All proceeds to Sabden Live 2013

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