

HOLY WEEK

This week we embark on a journey that leads from the joy of Palm Sunday through the suffering and sorrow of Holy Week to the triumph and celebration of Easter.

Maundy Thursday

Salford Cathedral 10.30am Chrism Mass

Clitheroe 8.00pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

We commemorate the last meal that Jesus ate with his disciples in which he washed their feet and instituted the Eucharist. Afterwards he walked to the Garden of Gethsemane where the Apostles were unable to stay awake and pray with him. In darkness he was arrested. We commemorate this by the removal of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose. As a community we respond to Christ's words, "Could you not watch with me one hour?" by watching with Christ from **9.00pm until Compline** (the Church's night prayer) at **10.00pm**.

Good Friday

Today is a day of Fast and Abstinence

Clitheroe 9.00am Stations of the Cross

Sabden 10.00am Stations of the Cross

Clitheroe: 10.00am Ecumenical Service at St James' followed by procession of the Cross to Castle Gate

Sabden: 11.00am Ecumenical Service at the Village Cross

Clitheroe 3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Jesus died at the ninth hour, three o'clock in the afternoon. We gather in mourning to hear St John's account of Jesus' Passion; to pray for all for whom Christ died; to venerate the cross on which he died; and to share the fruit of his redeeming death in Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday

Clitheroe 8.00pm Easter Vigil

In darkness, the Easter fire and the blessing of the Paschal Candle celebrate Our Saviour's resurrection from the dead and the victory of light over darkness. The extended readings recall God's redeeming acts throughout history that culminated in the Resurrection. The Easter Water is blessed and we are invited to commit ourselves afresh to Christ by renewing our baptismal promises. This Vigil Mass is the most important Service of the whole year and should be attended even in preference to Mass on Easter Sunday itself.

Easter Sunday

Clitheroe 9.30 Mass & Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Sabden 11am Mass & Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe & Sabden

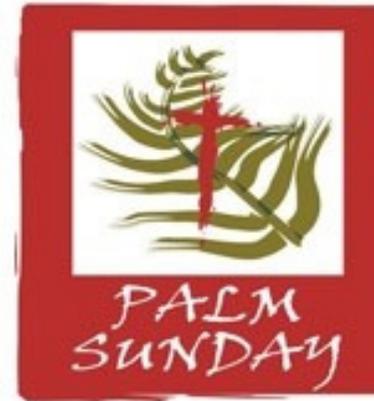
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24th March 2013

St Michael & St John's Church, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by coffee

Monday

Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday

Mass at 9am

Wednesday

Mass at 9am

Thursday to Sunday

See back page

St Mary's, Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am **Tuesday** - 7.30pm Stations of the Cross
For other services in Holy Week see back page

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Tom Daly, Owen Doherty, Kathleen Buckley, Bryan Roberts, Guiseppe & Antonia Presti, Joan Preedy, Vincenzo Ditri, Eileen Twiddy

SICK

Betty Brown, Harry & Margot Barlow, Eileen Twiddy

LATELY DEAD

Tom Daley, Owen Doherty, Violet Wygell

ANNIVERSARIES

Bryan Roberts, Joan Preedy, Alice Wilkinson, Marian Hutchinson, Pauline Altham

A prayerful Holy Week and Joyous Easter

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £718.73 Sabden £144.66 Many thanks
DAY OF RENEWAL 'Faith & Unity' with Barbara Mason at St Clare's, Preston on Saturday 6th April - see poster in porch

NORTHERN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE A Catholic Conference for all ages 7/8/9 June at Hope University Liverpool. Speakers include Lord David Alton. Please see poster in porch

JESUITS & FRIENDS Spring edition now available FREE from porch

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS St Joseph's Church, Blackburn on Sunday 7th April starting at 2pm. See poster in porch for more details.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES for 2013/2014 are now available for you to collect from Clitheroe (on the table near to the entrance to sacristy) and Sabden

CAFOD As you will have seen on TV, the National Disasters & Emergencies Committee (DEC) of which CAFOD is a member, has launched a National Appeal for SYRIA. We ask you to be generous in support of these struggling people. Donations may be placed into the CAFOD box at the back of church. Kindly consider Gift Aid which provides an additional 2p in the £1 at no extra cost to yourself. Envelopes are beside the collection box and can be put into the collection basket at Mass or left at the presbytery

CARITAS Job vacancies for Social Workers - see poster in porch

HOLY WEEK POSTERS are available from the back of church. Please take one to display in your window

Home Pascal Candles are now available for collection from the presbytery £10

CLITHEROE

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

Please note the Social Centre will be closed Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Re-opens Easter Sunday lunchtime

BROWNIES St Michael & St John's 4th Clitheroe Brownies are looking for Unit leaders to take over from Easter. The unit has 24 little girls who are all fabulous! The little ladies enjoy meeting up during term time on Tuesday evenings in Clitheroe. If you would like to know more about becoming a unit leader or helper please email Rachel@gofirebird.co.uk

YEAR OF FAITH Year of Faith group meets this coming week on Monday 25th at 10 Claremont Avenue at 2pm and on Tuesday 26th at 2.30pm in the presbytery

EASTER REMEMBRANCE BOOK a remembrance book for deceased relatives and friends is being compiled and will be placed at the back of church. We are asking for a donation of £3 for a lily, which will decorate the church at Easter time. Jane Brown (Saturday) and Teresa Mercer (Sunday) will be collecting money after mass on the table in front of the War Memorial

DEFIBRILLATOR Anyone wanting to donate to the Defibrillator (Heart Start Machine) may do so by putting money in an envelope and popping it in the collection. Please mark envelope 'Defibrillator'. **RAFFLE TICKETS at £1 each** to raise funds for the Defibrillator are now on sale from school or from Janet at the presbytery. List of prizes is in the porch.

WANTED Ribblesdale School is looking for a volunteer or volunteers to help a young Polish boy with his English. The role is for school hours only but other than that days and hours are fully flexible to fit in with volunteer/s. Teaching experience not necessary. Please contact Gill Humphreys 01200 443471 or 07596994415

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| Maundy Thursday | Volunteer | Judith Byrne | Volunteers |
| Good Friday | Volunteer | Sabden, Craig Morgan, Ann Southworth | |
| Easter Vigil | Volunteer | Sabden, Peter Sutcliffe, Chris Carr | Volunteers |
| Easter Day | Volunteer | Arnold Marsden | Volunteers |

MAUNDY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER SUNDAY ROTA

TEA AND COFFEE ROTA EASTER DAY - P.Byrne & Family

CLITHEROE & DISTRICT BIBLE SOCIETY Our next Action Group meeting will be the AGM on Thursday 18th April 7.30pm in the United Reformed Church. All interested are welcome to attend. Would anyone like to represent St Michael & John's

LADIES GROUP MEETING Next Wednesday 27th March 7.30pm. **Please note** The speaker at next Wednesday's meeting has changed and is now Sheena Byrom (nee Murray) who will talk about her experiences and her book 'Catching Babies'. Please bring your money along to pay for the Arboretum trip as we have to pay for this in advance. For those who have booked the trip but who are not likely to be at the meeting please pay by March 29th.

GOOD FRIDAY United Service 10am at St James followed by procession of witness to the Castle Gates where a short service will be held.

BBQ Friday 14th & Saturday 15th June organised by CCP. Would anyone like to volunteer to help, cater, or distribute leaflets, set up etc. Please give your names in to Janet at the presbytery.

ROTAS new rota's will be available next weekend

UNWANTED GIFTS or donations wanted by our Ladies Group for their forthcoming Coffee Morning on April 20th. Please bring along with you to the meeting on next

SABDEN

BONUS BALL 19 Olive Bromley

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL collect batteries and Nestle cereal tokens. Please hand in at school or in the container in porch. They are also collecting Sainsbury's vouchers

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ST GEORGE'S DAY Celebration in memory of Raymond who would have been 80 on 20th April. Details to follow. **ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES DAY** Sat 13th April. An expert from a local auction house will value items at the cost of £1 per item. This promises to be an exciting and fun event. If anyone has any prizes to donate for the events please contact Margaret or Jean

RED BOXES (APF MISSIONS) Please bring next time you come to church, making sure your name and address is written on the label on the box. We are in need of someone to take over from Jane Davies who is the contact for the Red Boxes - there is no house to house collection or having to go to the bank, just counting the money from the boxes. Please ring Jane on 01282 680013

K.S.C. DANCE *Friday 12th April*

Dancing to
John Lancaster.
£6 inc supper



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