



Inspired by a priest, St Vincent de Paul, who abandoned a position at the French court to work with the marginalised of Paris in the 1600's, a group of students at Paris University in 1853 founded a society in his name to aid any who were in need. It is now a worldwide organisation.

The St Vincent de Paul Society in England and Wales has around 10,000 members who, last year made half a million visits to those in need.

September is S.V.P. Awareness Month and the theme this year is "Giving Time to Love & Serve". Finding, loving and serving God in our communities is fundamental to the Society's work. Look out this month for posters illustrating this theme posted on the stone columns down the aisles.

The S.V.P. has been active in our parish for the past 60 years and currently has sixteen members and a further three who support us by their prayers.

Last year we made 721 visits to the elderly at home and to families and individuals in need, 577 to residents of care and nursing homes, 277 to patients in hospital and in addition assisted with the parish Mass of Healing.

We also try to help in small ways people who struggle abroad. So last year we supported a number of family small self sustaining projects in India and helped a number of girls from poor families train as nurses.

Much of this work is made possible by you, parishioners who last year contributed £1,609.74 to the four S.V.P. retiring collections. In addition we received further donations amounting to £655.05.

The S.V.P. is deeply grateful for all your support.

We are always in need of new members. To learn more please contact Margaret 01200 423802

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary time - 1st September 2013

St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe

Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by coffee

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Mass at 9am

Thursday

Mass at 9am & 7.30pm

Friday

Eucharistic Service 9am

Saturday (7th September)

Reconciliation (Confession)

11am - 11.45am

Exposition 11am - 11.55am

Rosary 11.30am

Eucharistic Service 12noon

First Mass of Sunday 6pm



St Mary's Church, Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am

Friday - Mass at 9.15am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Special Intention, Alice & Patrick Emerson, Mary Bishop, Betty Brown, Mary Bernadette Flanagan, Helena Thompson

SICK

Sally Hickling, Peter Wright, George Weld-Blundell, Pat Pozzi, Ken Carden, Mary Shepherd, Mary Bishop, Breda Powell, Teresa Tomlinson

ANNIVERSARIES

Alice & Patrick Emerson, Helena Thompson

**Next Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday,
there will be a retiring collection at all masses**

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £725.44 Sabden £124.32 Many thanks
MARYVALE INSTITUTE CERTIFICATE/DIPLOMA IN CATECHESIS A two-year, part time, collaborative-learning course in Salford Cathedral commencing October 2013. Like to know more - see notice in porch or ask Janet for application form.

FOOD BANK Thanks to everyone who have donated food to the foodbank. In the first 5 weeks we have fed 140 people with 1226 meals! Some of our warehouse stocks are getting low, and we are urgently in need of UHT milk, sugar (preferable 500g packets), packets of rice (500g) and tinned sponge pudding. If you can help us by donating food at the St Michael & St John's collection point, or bringing it to the foodbank at Trinity Church on one of the days we are open (Mon, Wed, Fri 11am - 1.30pm) or to one of the collection points in town e.g. Ribble Valley Homes, Library, Barclays and Skipton Building Society then that would be great.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY this year will be NEXT Sunday 8th September and a Mass will be celebrated in Salford Cathedral at 1.30pm to mark the day. The Mass will include music from a variety of the racial groups who make up our diocese. Please see poster in porch.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE Please meet after evening Mass on Thursday 8pm

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER September leaflets FREE available from porch

PRESENTATION EVENING AND PARISH SOCIAL

Parishioners are invited to come along to welcome Fr Frankie and to say goodbye to Vincent at this special event on Friday 27th September in our Parish Hall. Our Ladies Group are catering and would be grateful of donations of cakes or desserts - trifle, cheesecake, fruit pies etc for this event.



FR FRANKIE'S GIFT

It's still not too late to contribute towards a gift for Fr Frankie, which will be presented to him on Friday 27th September. Envelopes provided at the back of church. Please pop them on the collection plate

CLITHEROE

APF MISSION (RED BOXES) This quarter's Mission Box collection is due to take place shortly. Please could we ask for your help. If possible could collectors consider sending their donations in the form of a cheque or notes rather than change. Due to the limited time we have available to count and bank the money - when we took the money from the last collection to the bank the change alone came to well over £300 (much of it bags of 1p & 2p), which is far too heavy for one person to carry as you can well imagine. Your help would be very much appreciated

CAFOD There will be a meeting of parish CAFOD supporters on Tuesday September 10th at 10am in the presbytery. Could you care to come along and 'give us a try?'

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

Rota 8/9 Sept	Saturday	Sunday
Welcomers	M.Illingworth	C.Riley/Volunteer
Readers	C.Moxham	G.Lambert
Euch Min	M.Illingworth/A.Southworth	E.Thomson,I.Parkes,B.Collinson
Tea & Coffee		C.James/M.Tomlinson/A.Pritchard

Please note: the rota above does not take into account any changes made by individuals

CATHOLIC LIFE MAGAZINES for sale from the back of church (near greeting cards) for £3.50 - lots of interesting content including an article on poet Frances Thompson born in Preston 1859. Please put money in CTS box on wall

SALFORD DIOCESE LADYEWELL PILGRIMAGE Saturday 14th September. Starts at 12noon and will be led by Canon Anthony McBride. Mass, Eucharistic procession, Rosary Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Benediction, finishing around 4pm. Bring along a packed lunch. See poster in porch

BAPTISM We welcome Eva Louise Ball who was baptised last Sunday

LADIES GROUP THIS TRIP IS NOW FULLY BOOKED. Coach leaves Interchange 8.45am and will arrive back in Clitheroe 5.30pm - 6pm. This trip is now fully booked.

LADIES GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday 4th September 8pm in the presbytery.

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S CUB PACK are needing new cub leaders to have adventures with our young people from September. Full support from current leaders will be given. Contact: Julia Kennedy 01200 538793 or email julia_kennedy83@hotmail.com

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING at St Paul's, Low Moor Saturday 28 September 10am - 12noon. Contact Christine Willman for more details and donations

SABDEN

BONUS BALL this weeks winner No 1 J & C Hartley

QUIZ RESULTS There were only 3 entries returned and it was very close. The winners are Helen & Debbie from RBH x-ray.. Everyone who returned an entry will get a small prize. £16 was raised and this will go towards spring bulbs. Thanks to all who took part

SUPER SAUSAGE SIZZLING SUPPER Wednesday September 25th in St Mary's Hall Bangers and Mash supper from Burnley sausage supremo George Heys. Who has created sausages for royalty, football clubs and special events, and he will be treating one just for us. The jolly butcher and his boys will then entertain with his sausage making skills and amusing anecdotes. Tickets £6 on sale at the back of church or from Margaret Waling, Margaret Parsons, Kay Galea or Jean Haythornthwaite. Starts 7pm for 7.15pm

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - VARIETY CONCERT with the 50 Something Theatre Company, Thursday November 14th at 7.30pm. All types of songs from popular tunes to operatic arias along with comedy sketches and much more. More details later.