

## Dear Parishioners

It is three years since Pope Benedict came to England and beatified John Henry Newman. He was a convert to Catholicism and one of the great minds of the 19th century. As a Roman Catholic priest and later a Cardinal, he was a theologian who anticipated the Second Vatican Council and great apologist for the Church.



A prolific writer and persuasive preacher he composed many beautiful prayers. The following reflection provides a model both for our prayer and lives.

**God has created me to do Him some definite service.  
He has committed some work to me which He has not  
committed to another.**

**I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall  
be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of  
connection between persons.**

**He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do  
His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in  
my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep His  
commandments. Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever I am,  
I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness  
may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him.  
If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing  
in vain. He knows what He is about.**

**He may take away my friends. He may throw me among  
strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink,  
hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about.**

*Fr John*

## Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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## 28th Sunday in Ordinary time - 13th October 2013

### St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe

#### Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by coffee

#### Monday

Mass at 8am

#### Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

Mass at 9am

#### Thursday

Mass at 9am & 7.30pm

#### Saturday (19th October)

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 followed by coffee      **Friday** - Mass at 9.15am

#### MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Derek F.C.Smith, Marie McDonald, Carol Turner, Keith Ambrose, Bill Foulker

#### SICK

Sally Hickling, Teresa Tomlinson, Peter Wright, Trevor Wilson, Keith Ambrose,  
Anthony Cornwell

#### LATELY DEAD

Margaret Adams

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Tom Haslam, Bill Foulker

**Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday and there will be a retiring  
collection at all masses for Missio**

**OFFERTORY**

Clitheroe £681.47 Sabden £185.72 Many thanks

**R.C.I.A.** The R.C.I.A. programme continues on Thursdays at 8pm after 7.30pm Mass in the presbytery. Sessions will last for one hour only. It caters for those who wish to learn more about their faith, for those thinking of joining the Church and for any who are simply interested. It will be run by both Fr John and Fr Frankie.

**THREE WITNESSES** - a modern retelling of the Gospel of Luke written & produced by Saltmine and UCCF (Universities & Colleges Christian Fellowship), and performed by Tuesday 15th October 7.30pm at The Grand. £5 to book call 01200 421599 and see poster in porch

**LADIES GROUP** Could all those ladies booked on the next trip - BBC Media City on Wednesday 4th December £15 - please pay Daphne or Janet S.A.P.

**CAFOD** The Harvest Fast Day envelopes collected £613.55. Most grateful thanks for your generous sharing. The parish CAFOD group will be running a stall at the Flea Market in Hurst Green Memorial Hall on Sunday 27th October 9am - 4pm. Hot and cold refreshments available all day. See if you can find a bargain or two!

**TEA DANCE** with afternoon tea/homemade cakes - Wednesday 16th October 2pm - 5pm. Still only £3.50 at St Michael & St John's Parish Hall, Lowergate, Clitheroe. Information Daphne 01200 427912

**A DAY FOR CATECHISTS** Saturday 19th October 11am - 3pm at St John the Baptist, Rochdale. Guest speaker Barbara Mason (author of the Gift of Faith). All welcome. For more details please ring Marina on 442310

**H.C.P.T** Anyone with any sponsorship money still to hand over please place it on the collection plate in an envelope clearly marked with your name and for the attention of Arnold Marsden. Thankyou

**CYCLE CHALLENGE** Geraldine Hennigan and Jane Miller wish to thank all those who sponsored them for the Cycle Challenge they recently completed in Sri Lanka. Over a hundred women took part to raise funds for the Genesis Research Trust (promoting science for the health of women and babies), and over £480,000 was raised in total.

**THANKYOU** Vincent Murray would like to say - "Thank you for the wonderful evening I enjoyed on Friday 27th September. I had no idea what to expect when I read of it on the newsletter. Having already enjoyed two emotional farewell events through school, I was keen to let people know that I wasn't leaving the Parish - but then I thought that Fr Frankie might feel the Parish wasn't big enough for the both of us and was sending me a message! I needn't have worried. The evening was a celebration of all that makes this parish special. Once again the ladies replicated Jesus' miracle and provided sufficient food for everyone present three times over, and then still more for the hungry sponsored walkers the following day. The attention to detail on the specially baked cakes was a particularly nice touch and sharing a stage with a superstar like Fr Frankie was the icing on the cake. The Papal Blessing and the flowers for Ruth were totally unexpected (and as I said at the time, would have made my Mum very proud). Moreover, to receive such a tribute from a community made up of so many much more worthy people was particularly humbling and I thank you for such an honour".

**THANKYOU** The Ladies Group would like to thank everyone who gave cakes or deserts for the Presentation Evening. Your contributions were greatly appreciated.

<b>Rota 19/20 Oct</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
Welcomers	M.Roberts	D.Marsden & J.Byrne
Readers	C.Carr	M.Donnely
Euch Min	T.Woodhead & B.Taylor	P.Sutcliffe, A.Marsden, T.Mercer
Tea & Coffee		M.Geddes/L, Curphey/P.Holgate

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

**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

**ROTA'S** are now available for collection from the table in front of the sacristy door. Those of you who have email should have received yours.

**PARISH DRAW** Agents are in the process of collecting Parish Draw money. If you have not been in the draw in previous years, here is a little more about it. It costs £10 and you are given an individual number which is yours for the year. A draw takes place each month, and first prize is £100, the second £25 and there are 5 prizes of £10. If you wish to 'join' then give your name in at the presbytery or contact one of the agents (see notice in porch). Janet will be collecting money after mass today (Sunday).

**K.S.C.JUMBLE SALE** Saturday 2nd November at 2pm. Please let either Les 427029 or Arnold 427096 if you want any Jumble collecting the evening before

**K.S.C.DANCE** The next Dance will be on Saturday 9th November.

**LADIES GROUP** Committee meeting this Monday 14th October at 7.30pm in the presbytery

**SABDEN**

**BONUS BALL** this weeks winner No 38 E.Robson

**SAUSAGE SIZZLER NIGHT** was a great success and raised £490 for church funds. Butcher George Heys has invited parishioners to help name a new sausage - he is currently creating by choosing a name from a list of 100 at a cost of £1 a time. The result will be the sausage will have a new name, St Mary's will have another £100 in the coffers and the lucky winner will have a voucher to spend at Mr Heys's butcher's shop. The sheet of names will be available at St Mary's on Sunday morning if you wish to have a go.

**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.

**APF RED MISSION BOXES** are due to for emptying - please leave full box in porch and take away an empty one. Thanks

**FUND RAISING MEETING** there will be a meeting this Tuesday 15th October at 7.30pm, mainly to arrange Christmas Fayre and Grand Raffle. Also any other events through Winter to Spring. Please bring along your ideas.