

Dear Parishioners

At the request and encouragement of Pope Francis and Bishop John we shall hold the second of our missionary parish meetings this Wednesday, 8th June. In April the first meeting attracted 50 parishioners from our three churches/communities. Each and every parishioner is invited this Wednesday to participate and help shape the future of Our Lady of the Valley Parish.

Tea will be served from 7.15pm

7.30pm Opening prayer

Father, we ask you for the gift of discernment, that we may see the way that you wish us to go; for the gift of wisdom, that we may make the right choices; and for the gift of courage, that we may not fear to implement decisions. May the values of the Gospel determine our every step and that you, Lord, will stay with us on our journey.

Our aim (5 minutes)

Discussion (20 minutes) in one of three groups

Group 1

What can we do to make every parishioner/visitor feel welcome to each of our churches?

Group 2

How can we help all parishioners feel that they belong to our parish community?

Group 3

How best may we welcome and integrate new parishioners?

Break (10 minutes)

Feedback from Groups (20 minutes)

Before 9pm Closing prayer

All loving father, who sent Jesus your Son to show us your mercy and to teach us to how to forgive one another, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us. Help us to remember that we are all sinners. Let this year of Mercy be a pilgrimage, a journey back to you. Make us ambassadors of mercy, sharing your forgiveness with everyone, especially those who feel that they are beyond your love. We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Finally thank you all who helped to make last Monday's Sponsored Walk for *Right to Life* such a huge success: stewards, sweepers, bakers and the Ladies who provided great hospitality for the huge number of walkers.

Fr John

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe, Sabden & Dunsop Bridge

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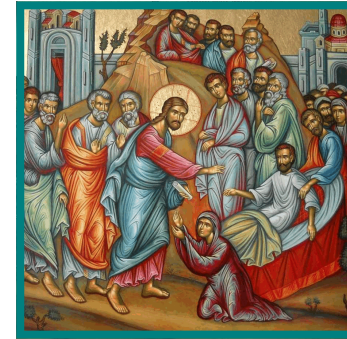
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10th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 5th 2016

St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am
followed by Coffee

**Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday & Friday**
Mass at 9am

Thursday
Mass at 9am & 7.30pm

Saturday (11th June)

Eucharistic Service 10.45am 11-11.45am Reconciliation (Confessions)
11-11.55am Exposition 6pm—First Mass of Sunday

St Mary's Church, Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am followed by Coffee **Wednesday**—Mass at 9.15am

St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Sunday—Mass at 10am Parish mass book p 93 Eucharistic Prayer II p23
Preface IV p67 **Tuesday** —Mass at 9.30am

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Anthony Perrin, Alice Hurst, Helen Addy, Millicent Driver,
Norman Bromley x 6, James Conway

SICK

Joseph Kitching, Helen Addy, Breda Powell, Norman Dudman, Bert Bradley, Joseph Wright

LATELY DEAD

James Conway

ANNIVERSARIES

Alice Hurst, Millicent Driver, Norman Bromley

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £793.52 Sabden £221.97 Dunsop £360
Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £265

There is a poster at the back of the church: 'If you believe that better relationships lead to happier lives, more stable families and a stronger society...' Our Parish is looking for volunteers to share Claire and Andy McGuire's service of preparing couples for marriage. They were doing it even before I came here almost eight years ago! The feedback from couples who have attended is extremely positive and all praise Andy and Claire as you will see from these quotations: 'It helped us to think about issues that hadn't even entered our minds' 'Amazingly our relationship has developed even in this short time', 'It was great to meet and discuss issues with other couples'.

Catholic Marriage Care will train anyone who volunteers to join this important parish project. If you are interested please have a word with me. Fr John

LECTIO DIVINA (reading & praying Holy Scripture) on Wednesdays 7.30-8.30pm in presbytery. Because of the Parish meeting this week there will be no Lectio Divina but meetings will re-commence the following Wednesday 15th June.

NORTHERN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE If you have never attended, or haven't been for a few years, we would love you to come and join us. Date 17/18/19 June at Liverpool Hope University, Hope Park, Taggart, Liverpool L16 9JD. Speakers Fr Denis McBride, Fr Pat Deegan and Tony Hickey. All information about how to book on www.northerncatholic.co.uk. Residential bookings (full board) £145 Non Residential bookings—suggested £10 for a day. Tel Denise Pursall 07543 800812 or Kevin McKenna 0161 282 5523 07504 130749

****The Ladies Group Mystery Tour has been re-scheduled and will now be on Wednesday 27th July—more details of price etc next week. The 'July' meeting will now take place on Wednesday 29th June when Raymond Smith will give a talk—'From Muck and Music to Stones and Roses'*** Will those who put their names on the list at our last meeting please contact either Janet or Daphne as soon as possible. ****

ST JOHN SOUTHWORTH YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE from St Mary's Osbaldeston to St Mary's Samlesbury. Five easy miles on good quiet lanes and bridleways on Sat 25th June 11am—1pm. Please bring a packed lunch (tea and coffee provided). Sacrament of Reconciliation available from 12.30—3pm. Holy Hour from 2—3pm. A shuttle service will return walkers to their cars in Osbaldeston. See poster in porch.

QUEENS 90th BIRTHDAY Commonwealth Party Sat June 11th—both events have been cancelled.

FOODBANK currently has the following shortages: long-life milk, semi-skimmed and full cream, fruit juice, sweets, chocolates and snacks, sponge puddings, washing powder/liquid, bars of soap, spray cleaner and toilet cleaner. Many thanks for your generosity.

KNIT AND KNATTERTHON This will take place in St Michael & St John's Parish Hall on June 29th from 10am—10pm. Come and knit a square for Syrian refugees in Turkey. Wool and needles provided. Knitting lessons for beginners and a special class for men. Come along if only for an hour, anytime, or stay for the full 12 hours. We want 100 squares. Light refreshments and entertainment from Clitheroe Ukulele Band for the last hour. Contact Anthony Brown 01200 422811 or a.brown@caritassalford.org.uk

The date of the next Parish Forum is Wednesday 22nd June at 7.30pm, and will be held in Clitheroe.

PRO-LIFE WALK Will people who have promised sponsor money for Right to Life please put money in a clearly marked envelope onto the collection plate with name of the sponsor. Donations are still being accepted.

THANKYOU the organisers would like to thank parishioners who baked cakes for the reception after the Pro-Life walk and anyone who helped make the day such a success. Once again your help was very much appreciated.

VACANCIES Salford Diocese, A Senior Accountant and Accountant—see posters

DAY OF RENEWAL St Clare's Church, Preston—Sat 25 June 10am-4pm see poster

CLITHEROE

PARISH CENTRE Subs Adults £10 Senior Citizens & Students £5 now due—renew at the Centre. Sunday Evening Quiz & Play your Cards Right starts 8.30pm.

THE TABLET is on sale at the back.—£3. Free copies are no longer available.

ROTA'S NEXT WEEKEND Sat Welcoming J.Bentley. Reader—A.Southworth Eucharistic Ministers—Volunteers. **Sunday**—Welcoming—B.Barker & C.Riley Reader P.Donnely. Eucharistic Ministers—Volunteers. Little Church—G.Hennigan & J.Golding. Tea & Coffee – L & B.Collinson

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION A good selection of cards and gifts for First Holy Communion are available in the side porch (to the left of the Sacristy door). Money for any purchases may be placed in the box on the wall or in the CTS box at the back of church.

COMMUNITY BBQ AND FAMILY FUN DAY This annual event will be on Clitheroe Castle Field on Sat 18th June. Free BBQ and providing activities—gladiator course, gyroscope, football cage, children's zone with craft, face-painting and a beach! We also proclaim the word of God with short gospel presentations. We need people who can come and set up in the morning e.g. putting up gazebos, distribute leaflets in town or serve food. Ring Nick Schumann 01200 423608 nick@stjamesclitheroe.co.uk to help. To learn what it is about go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4DhFokPMP9I&sns=em>

LOVE CLITHEROE meeting for Christians from all local churches at 7.30pm Thursday 16th June at St James' Church. This meeting enables us to share in thanksgiving and prayer news about initiatives to serve our community with the love of Jesus Christ.

PARISH DRAW MAY WINNERS £100—70 A.Marsden, £20—102 J.Clegg, £20—135 A.Carpanini, £10—10 J.Lofthouse, 112 J.Sutcliffe, 101 C.Scott, 62 B.Harrison

ROSARY OF THE UNBORN will be said each day this week for all Pro-Life intentions

SABDEN

BONUS BALL no 59 Roll over. There is just one Bonus ball left—only £1 a week. Please see Harry Waterworth. tel 01254 823748.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY St Mary's Summer Fete Saturday 25 June 2-4pm. All usual fun and attractions. Donations of gifts to sell and raffle prizes appreciated. Teddy Bear show and Toy Tombola. Lovely family afternoon out. Best cream teas for miles around. Please support.

CHRISTIAN AID We are still collecting donations and if you wish to use the red envelopes which were delivered with Good News magazine they can be left in the basket at the back of church or with Betty Clarkson.

BAPTISM We welcome Jack Thomas Flynn who was baptised last Sunday

DUNSOP BRIDGE

SUNDAY TEAS Teas available each Sunday until the end of August. Open 10.30am—4pm in Dunsop Bridge Village Hall. To help telephone Julie Bennett 01200 448630

APF MISSIONS Red Boxes are now due.