

*Dear Parishioners,*

Congratulations to the parents and the children of our three communities who made their First Holy Communion last Sunday. We pray that this day will prove to be the beginning of a life-long relationship with Jesus Christ. Many in both the parish and the schools worked hard and generously to prepare and encourage the children, and both I and the children's families are indebted to them.

I haven't asked parishioners their opinions of the new confessional, reconciliation room. However, one parishioner gave me the following note along with a generous contribution to the cost of its construction: "Please accept this little gift towards the expense of the New Confessional. The peace and love of the forgiveness of Almighty God are truly there."

If you haven't yet visited the room, then please do. When entering to receive the sacrament you have the choice of either kneeling in the traditional manner or of sitting on this side of the grill but for those who wish to speak directly to the priest, they should walk through to the chair in the far corner.

Next Sunday, 3rd July is Weld Day, the day on which we remember the generosity of Thomas Weld who in 1798 gave the land on which St Michael & St John's stands. Thomas asked for no payment other than our prayers for himself and his wife Mary. There will be only one Mass on the field for both Sabden and Clitheroe at 10.30am during which the school choir will lead the singing. During Mass our First Holy Communion children will receive their certificates and altar servers who have completed their introductory year will be invested in the Guild of St Stephen and become fully fledged servers. The Parish Picnic follows with the usual complimentary glass of wine, strawberries, cream and ice cream. Do come along, bring the family, your picnic and some sunshine!

The following Friday and Sunday Thorneyholme school on Dunsop is celebrating, as did St Hubert's last year, their 150 birthday. Parishioners have contributed photographs and memories to its memorial exhibition which will be open to visitors on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July from 1.30 to 3.30pm and on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> beginning after the 10am Mass until 2pm.

On 17<sup>th</sup> July, during Mass in both Sabden and Clitheroe, Head teachers Zoe Mabbott and Claire Halstead will symbolically entrust their year 6 pupils to the more robust care of St Augustine's staff.

*Fr John*

## Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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# 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 26th 2016

## St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe

### Sunday

Mass at 9.30am  
followed by Coffee

### Monday & Tuesday

Eucharistic Service at 9am

### Wednesday – SS Peter & Paul

Mass at 9.15am & 7.30pm

### Thursday

Mass at 9am & 7.30pm  
Funeral Service 11am Michael Moore

### Friday

Mass at 9am

### Saturday (2nd July)

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

### Sunday 3rd July – Weld Day

Mass in Clitheroe at 10.30am—please note no Mass in Sabden



## St Mary's Church, Sabden

Sunday - Mass at 11am followed by Coffee Wednesday (Ss Peter & Paul)—Mass at 11.00am

## St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Sunday—Mass at 10am Parish mass book p 102  
Eucharistic Prayer III p27 Preface IV p 67 Tuesday —Mass at 9.30am

*There will be a retiring collection after all masses this weekend for Peters Pence*

### **MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK**

Paul Francis Byron, Ellen Rigby, Horace Hudson & Bill Tattersall x 2, Ada Graham,  
Tony Valovin, Ron Crossley x 2, Angela Stevenson, Margaret McGough

### **SICK**

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

### **LATELY DEAD**

Angela Stevenson, Ron Crossley, David Moore, Peter Fairclough.

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Paul Francis Byron, Ada Graham, Tony Valovin, Fr George Carry SJ,  
Mary Livesey, Margaret McGough

**OFFERTORY** Clitheroe £941.71 Sabden £181.50 Dunsop £454.20

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £265

**DAY FOR LIFE** Clitheroe £166.40, Sabden £93.04, Dunsop Bridge £74.28

**LECTIO DIVINA** (reading & praying Holy Scripture) on Wednesdays 7.30-  
8.30pm in presbytery. Meetings will re-commence NEXT Wednesday June 29th

**CAFOD MEETING** Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 28th June.

**LADIES GROUP MYSTERY TOUR** This will take place on Wednesday 27th  
July. Coach to set off from the Interchange at 3pm prompt and will arrive back ap-  
proximately 9.30-10pm. Cost £27 which includes the coach, meal, all tips and of  
course the mystery!

**LADIES GROUP MEETING** next Wednesday 29th June at 7.30pm—IN THE  
SCHOOL HALL £2 inc Tea & Biscuits. Speaker Raymond Smith—'From Muck and  
Music, to Stones and Roses'. Names and money will be taken at this meeting (when  
menu choices will be available) for the Mystery Tour in July

**KNIT AND KNATTERTHON** 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 any time or stay for the full 12 hours. Light refreshments. Entertainment for  
the last hour with the Clitheroe Ukulele Band. Contact Anthony Brown 01200  
422811 or a.brown@caritassalford.org.uk

**JUSTICE MAGAZINE** an excellent Catholic free magazine available in the church  
porth, with an article by parishioner DCI Sion Hall on what YOU can do to fight hu-  
man trafficking, plus Year of Mercy, refugees and lots more.

**CARITAS** Caritas Diocese of Salford is recruiting one Caritas Representative from  
each Parish. As the Parish representative, you'll receive the latest information about  
what Caritas is doing in your area. You'll be able to share your stories with us as  
well. If you would like to become a Parish representative, please first obtain consent  
from your Parish Priest, then contact us on 0161 817 2250 or email  
parishreps@caritassalford.org.uk

**PRAYER & PRAISE** The next meeting will be on Thursday 30 June 8.10-9.10pm  
after the 7.30pm Mass. Come and praise God in adoration, prayer and song.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Commissioning of New Ministers & Renewal of  
Serving Ministers will take place at Masses this weekend, Saturday 25th & Sunday  
26th.

**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.

**CARITAS VACANCY** Caritas Diocese of Salford wishes to recruit a Social Worker  
for our Schools' Service. This position will be based across Greater Manchester. For  
more info and to download an application form please visit  
www.caritassalford.org.uk or call 0161 8172264

**THE BIG MILE TODAY** 26th June at 1pm.—a walk for the ages' All proceeds to  
Caritas Salford and the SDVP to support Northwest Befriending Services. Register  
at www.caritassalford.org.uk/bigmile or contact comms@caritassalford.org.uk for  
more information.

### **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.

**ROTA'S NEXT WEEKEND Sat** Welcoming M.Valovin Reader—J.Byrne Eucha-  
ristic Ministers—Volunteers. **Sunday**—Welcoming—J.Clegg & E.Davies Reader—  
Marina Barrett Eucharistic Ministers—Volunteers. Little Church—Alison McNulty  
& Grances Garner. Tea & Coffee – Weld Day

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** We still have some cards and gifts left—see Janet at  
the presbytery

**ST MARY MAGDALENE'S** invite you to join them for Choral Evensong on Sun-  
day 10th July at 6.30pm. The choir will sing Evensong, and there will be hymns for  
the congregation to join in. David Thornton, their new Director of Music will play  
the organ.

**THE MAYOR'S BIG PICNIC** Cllr Mark French welcomes local people to enjoy a  
Jacob's Join lunch together today Sunday 26 June at St Mary's Centre shortly after  
the Civic Service which is at 11am.

### **SABDEN**

**BONUS BALL** no 47 B.Taylor. There is just one Bonus ball left—only £1 a week.  
Please see Harry Waterworth. tel 01254 823748.

### **DUNSOP BRIDGE**

**SUNDAY TEAS** The popular summer teas in the Dunsop Bridge Village Hall will  
be served by the friends of St Hubert's school today June 26th. All proceeds go to  
the school.

**APF MISSIONS- RED BOXES** Amount collected £120.42. Many thanks for your  
continued support

**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS** This year it is the 150th anniversary of Thor-  
neyholme RC Primary School in Dunsop Bridge. Staff are inviting past pupils, pa-  
rishioners and members of the local community to visit the school on Friday 8th July  
from 1.30-3.30pm or Sunday 10th July 11am-2pm. Visitors will have a chance to  
see a timeline display by the school and memoirs written by past pupils in the main  
hall and view children's current work in the classrooms.

**PETER FAIRCLOUGH RIP** There will be a Funeral Service at St Hubert's at  
11am on Monday 4th July followed by Burial.