

# Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 9th 2016

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



**Sunday**  
Mass at 9.30am—followed by Coffee

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Eucharistic Service at 9am

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

**Thursday**  
Mass at 7.30pm

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

### St Mary's Church, Sabden

**Sunday**—Mass at 11am      **Wednesday**—Mass at 9.15am

### St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

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