

Dear Parishioners,

One item on the agenda of the Parish Forum which met last Wednesday discussed the Clitheroe Christmas Fayre which has reached the point of crisis. This only concerns Clitheroe for both Dunsop Bridge and Sabden run their own successful Christmas events.

For many years now Janet Clegg and Carol Riley have organised our Christmas Fayres. We have had themed Fayres, Autumn Fayres, a variety of stalls, games, raffles, tombolas, delicious refreshments and of course Father Christmas.

Planning and coordinating this event has taken a lot of hard work and effort and, as well as being a social occasion, has raised significant funds for our Parish. We thank Janet and Carol for all they have done. Sadly, the money raised from the event has decreased over the last few years and we have agreed not to have one this year as planned. What can replace it in Clitheroe? We do need some new ideas for raising much needed funds. Two suggestions are a Grand Raffle with real determination to sell all the tickets, (in the past tickets have been unsold) and a Spring Fayre. Please give it some thought and let us have your ideas.

We also need a small group of enthusiastic volunteers to organise whatever is decided and make it happen. Can you give some time? Often money raised is for a specific project and, surprisingly, fund raising events contribute to building our Parish Community. Please think hard !!

Suggestions can be given to Margaret Donnelly, donnemarg@aol.com ☎ 01200 441081 or given to Janet and they will be considered at the next Forum on November 15th.

Thank you,

Secretary Parish Forum

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe, Sabden & Dunsop Bridge

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24th September 2017

St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by Coffee

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday

Mass at 9.15am

Friday

Mass at 9am

Saturday (30th September)

Eucharistic Service 10.45am Reconciliation 11-11.45am
Exposition 11-11.55am First Mass of Sunday—5pm

St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Thursday—Mass at 9.15am **Saturday**—First Mass of Sunday at 6.30pm

St Mary's Church, Sabden

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

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Patsy Larkin, Theresa Preedy, David Dunn, Margaret McCartney,
Jeff Cowgill, Angelo Ferro

SICK

Fr David Foster, John Dixon, Cliff Astin, Paul Mooney,
Canon Tony Dorran, Jonathan Taylor

LATELY DEAD Teresa Preedy (nee Wrigley), Patsy Larkin, Michael Smyth
ANNIVERSARIES David Dunn, Margaret McCartney, Jeff Cowgill, Angelo Ferro

PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £633.60 Sabden £87.87 Dunsop £250.50

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £265

HOME MISSION SUNDAY Clitheroe £178.27 Sabden £34.80 Dunsop £41.10

MASS OF HEALING Many thanks to all those who helped in any way at the Mass of Healing last Sunday. Your help was very much appreciated.

FR KEVIN—SPIRITUAL BOUQUET which is a gift of prayer for the future ministry and happiness of Fr Kevin in his service of the church. It can be a visit to a church, a promise to offer Mass, Communion or Rosary. There is a list at the back of church.

FR KEVIN/MGR CHALONER PRESENTATION EVENING Tuesday 3rd October—Mass at 7pm followed by refreshments—Cheese and Wine in our Parish Hall until 9pm. Tickets £1 available from the Sacristy

APF MISSIONS—RED BOX COLLECTIONS will take place within the next couple of weeks. If you have recently taken a box and have not been contacted by a collector please bring your box to Church Sacristy. Queries ☎ Sion or Janet Hall 01200 428949

THE POPE VIDEO the latest 'Pope Video'- this month's theme is parishes at the service of the mission. <https://thepopevideo.org/>

OUR FAITH—OUR PLANET—OUR COMMUNITY Manchester Cathedral, Monday 25 Sept 6pm—9pm - see poster in porch

REFORMATION 500! To mark the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, church leaders invite you to Blackburn Cathedral for a 'Commemoration of the Reformation' on Thursday 19 October at 2pm. See poster in porch

DIPLOMA IN PASTORAL MINISTRY (starts Feb 2018) two year online course, ten six week modules. Come and See information evening at Cathedral Centre Thursday 10 October 7.30pm—9pm Information Fr Paul Daly paul.daly@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or Christopher.lough@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

OAKHILL SCHOOL WHALLEY—Open evening Tuesday 6 Oct ober6-8pm

MARIAN PROCESSION on Saturday 7th October 2017 at 10.30am starting at St Edward's Parish (13 Thurloe Street M145SG). Everyone is invited to this celebration of our faith! Info ☎0161 2242589(Fraternas) or email marianprocession@gmail.com

REFUGEES Kathryn Clay would be grateful for any unwanted cosmetics, perfumes or toiletries to assist refugees. Tel: 0125 825948

SEASON OF CREATION Sept 1—October 4 Join us for a Peaceful Prayer Assembly for our World Wednesday 4 October 11.30am at the Fracking Site, Little Plumpton (assemble 11am Maple Farm). Further information on poster in porch.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LANCASHIRE events in partnership with MIND to explore mental health and how churches/faith groups can support see poster in porch

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Friday 6 October. Fast Day envelopes will be distributed next weekend—see poster in porch for more details.

WALSINGHAM vacancy for Development Officer—see porch for details.

CLITHEROE

AFTERNOON VARIETY SHOW Thursday 26 October 2-4pm in our Parish Hall. Tickets £5 from Social Centre, Daphne 01200 427912 or Carol 01200 426769 including refreshments. Bar available. Please see poster in porch.

SEEDLINGS Baby & Toddler group every Wednesday in our Parish Hall 9.30—11.30am £1050 per family.

ROSSENDALE MALE VOICE CHOIR singing in our church Friday 12 October Tickets £10. Proceeds to East Lancs Hospice. On sale after mass from 30 Sept see poster

ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND Saturday Evening—Welcoming—J.Luciani Reader Carol Riley **Eucharistic Ministers** B.Worden, Volunteer—**Sun morning Welcoming—R & C Conti Reader—J.Hennigan** **Euch Ministers—T.Merceer, C.Leeming,** Volunteer **Tea & Coffee** – P.D'Souza & family **Little Church—A.McNulty & F.Garner** **K.S.C.DANCE** Friday October 6th from 7.30pm. Dancing to John Lancaster Tickets £7 inc Hot Supper. Tickets from Arnold 01200 427096 or Betty 01200 427029

JUMBLE SALE—A Grand Jumble Sale s is planned for 'Mary's Meals' on 4th November. If you could help in any way or by collecting unwanted clothing Bric a Brac Bete please contact Arnold 01200 427096 More details later

LADIES GROUP Wednesday 27 September in our Parish Hall 7.30pm. Speaker Mrs Rose Donkin—My B & B Experiences. Admission £2 inc Tea and biscuits

DUNSOP

BAPTISM We welcome Alice Rose Parkinson who was baptised last week

RED BOXES Please bring your mission boxes to Mass next Sunday.

LITTLE DUCKLINGS The Thorneyholme Playgroup meets in Dunsop Bridge Village Hall from 1.30-3.30 every Wednesday during term time. Special story telling and music activities led by the staff are included in the sessions. All children from birth to school age are welcome. Why not come along and enjoy a friendly welcome with great activities, all in a beautiful location.

HELP NEEDED Thorneyholme School is looking for green-fingered volunteers with an hour a week to spare! We have a successful after school gardening club (1st prize at Hodder Show for 2nd year running!) but we need new leaders if we are to continue. We meet after school for an hour a week March-October, growing a wide variety of vegetables and wild flowers. You don't need to be an expert, just enthusiastic! Please contact school 01200 448276 if you think you could help.

SABDEN

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left at the back of church.

BONUS BALL is now up and running, payments are due a week in advance. Remember you have to be in it to win it! The first winning number was 38 and not 6 which was printed in error last week. Numbers still available £1 week. Please contact Donna 01254 823422 or dmaa1@hotmail.com

TEA POTS We are in need of tea pots to display beautiful tea cosies being made by Carol Hartley. If you have an old teapot in your cupboard that you no longer want (preferably a four cup pot) please bring it along to church or leave with Carol or Margaret Parsons. Spare knitting needles and wool also welcome.

FLOWER FESTIVAL 2pm Friday 20 October to Sunday 22 October. Planning meeting Wednesday 27 September at 7.30pm. Please come along if you would like to be involved—Flower arrangers—volunteers for refreshments and anyone with any ideas. Any photos or artefacts that help tell the story of St Mary's would be appreciated. Please try to make the meeting if you can but if you can't make it, then either email signdesign69@hotmail.com or call Susan White 01282 433455

KNIT, STITCH & NATTER every Monday 10-15am—noon, top room in the hall. All welcome to pop along for tea/coffee and biscuits and chat. Bring your own crafts if you wish an knit, **STITCH** or just natter.

FUN FITNESS & DANCE Tuesday evenings 7.30-8.30pm. Suitable for all ages. Cost £3.50—proceeds go to hall and church funds.

FR KEVIN FAREWELL GIFT There is a collection box at the back of church for donations or see Pat Whitwell. Tickets for the presentation are also available from Pat.