

## Dear Parishioners

Every Sunday as we recite the Creed we say: "I believe in the Communion of Saints." What does that mean?

The 'communion of saints' is made up of all people who have placed their hope in Christ and belong to him through Baptism, whether they have already died or are still alive. It is composed of people like you or me, as also of all who have gone before! In Christ both the living and the dead are one Body; we live in a communion, in a relationship that encompasses heaven and earth.

So, Church members are not only the living but also those who have died (whether they are still undergoing a process of purification or are already in the glory of God), individuals known and unknown, great saints and ordinary folk. And because we are one body we are able to help one another even beyond the grave. We can call for help and support on our patron saints after whom we are named, other saints whom we may admire, as also our departed relatives and friends whom we believe are already with God. Equally, by our prayers for them, we can come to the aid of our dear departed who possibly are still undergoing purification.

On Wednesday of this week, 1<sup>st</sup> of November we celebrate the Feast of All Saints. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, which means if we are able to get to Mass then we should. Mass will be celebrated at:

9.15am, St Michael & John's, Clitheroe  
11.00am, St Mary's, Sabden  
6pm, St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

On Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, we celebrate 'All souls'. Our dead are outside of this world of space and time and so our prayers for those who have died are as relevant today or tomorrow as at the moment of their death and their meeting with God. Mass will be celebrated in St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge at 9.15am.

The Feasts of All Saints and All Souls remind us of our relationships within the communion of God's family, and that living or dead, we rely upon each other for help.

*Fr John*

# Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe, Sabden & Dunsop Bridge

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## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 29th October 2017

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

#### Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by Coffee

#### Monday

Eucharistic Service at 9am  
12noon Latin Requiem Tracy Lawler  
7.30pm—Reception Paul Mooney

#### Tuesday

Requiem Mass 1.30pm Paul Mooney

#### Wednesday—All Saints Holiday of Obligation

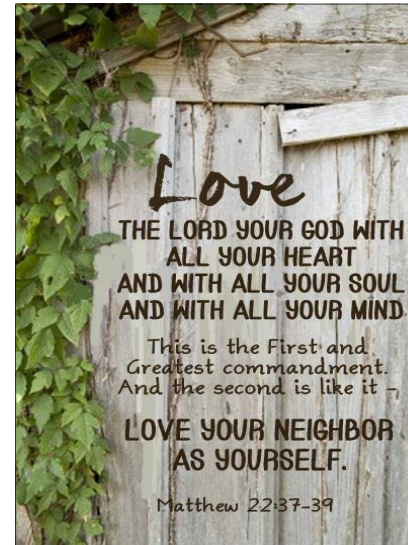
Mass at 9.15am

#### Thursday—All Souls

Eucharistic Service 9am

#### Friday

Mass at 9am



#### Saturday (4th November)

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

### St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Wednesday All Saints - Mass at 6pm Thursday—Mass at 9.15am  
Saturday—First Mass of Sunday at 6.30pm

### St Mary's Church, Sabden

Sunday—Mass at 11am Wednesday—All Saints – Mass at 11am

**MASSSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK** Joseph McManus, Hanah & Philip's intentions, Michael Kilkenny, Joseph Wright x 2, Special Intention, Honor Ferrall, Special Intention, Paul Mooney x 2, Josephine Tattersall (nee Turner),

**SICK** Fr David Foster, John Dixon, Cliff Astin, Canon Tony Dorran, Jonathan Taylor,

**LATELY DEAD** Joseph Wright, Paul Mooney, Josephine Tattersall, Honor Farrell, Joseph McManus, Michael Kilkenny,

### **PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN**

**OFFERTORY** Clitheroe £753.76 Sabden £254.93 Dunsop £154.00

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £265

**A.P.F.MISSIONS** Clitheroe £449.26 Sabden £85.14 Dunsop £56.10

**REFUGEES** I have applied for a £500 grant from the Skipton Building Society to help fund next year's Refugee Day. Please support this on your Computer or Smartphone—go on to Skipton Building Society Grassroots Giving then CLICK on the following—Grassroots Giving 2017, then 2017 Shortlisted Groups, then Northwest, then No 59 Welcome the stranger. Scroll down and VOTE

**WANTED** The Caritas Mother and Baby home in Blackburn would be very grateful for donations of Babies clothing (birth to 2 years), nappies, baby wipes, toiletries etc. Please take any donations to 44 Eshton Terrace, Clitheroe. If you would like any more information then ☎ Mary O'Reilly 01200 444473

**CAFOD** If you have not yet returned your envelope, you may put it in the collection basket at Mass or through the presbytery door at St Michael & St John's.

**HURST GREEN FLEA MARKET** TODAY Sunday 29 October 9am-4pm. OLOTV Cafod Group will have a stall there. Hot and cold refreshments available all day and an opportunity for early Christmas shopping. Proceeds from our stall will go to Connect2 supporting Sebeya in Ethiopia.

**OLOTV SPONSORED WALK** Thankyou to all walkers and sponsored who supported the recent Sponsored Walk on October 8th for Caritas Young Parents Service. Please give any outstanding sponsorship money to Bernard Mercer at Clitheroe, Anthony Brown at Sabden or Anne Cooke at Dunsop by Sunday 5 November. More info from [m.woodward@cariasssalford.org.uk](mailto:m.woodward@cariasssalford.org.uk)

**CORRECTION** Two week's ago this notice was on the back page of the newsletter, unfortunately the letter Y had disappeared from the website address. It is here corrected. Parishes and chaplaincies across the UK are asked to assist with this short survey about modern slavery. It will help the Church, via the Santa Marta Group, in gathering important data in the fight against Modern Slavery. Please go to the link below and input the password: Bakhita on the website page, <https://stmarys.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/informational-survey-2017-modern-slavery>.

### **CLITHEROE**

**ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND Saturday Evening—Welcoming—A.Harkin Reader** C.McGuire **Eucharistic Ministers** B.Worden **Sun morning Welcoming—M.Rogers & C.Willman Reader—P.Lambert Euch Ministers—T.Mercer, C.Leeming Tea & Coffee – P.Geldard & T.O'Donnell Little Church—A.McNulty & F.Garner**

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY—**Christmas Tree Festival Dec 1-3 St Paul's, Low Moor

**SEEDLINGS** Baby & Toddler group every Wednesday in our Parish Hall 9.30am—11.30am £1.50 per family.

**PARISH DRAW** You can now start paying your agent. If you have not had a ticket before but would like one please contact Janet 01200 423307 in the Parish Office or see one of the other agents—see poster. First draw will take place early November

*Christmas Cards, Advent Calendars, Children's books, and Christmas gifts on sale in the side porch (to the left of the Sacristy door) open before and after Mass at the weekend and before and after Mass/Service during the week. at the back of church to the right of the War Memorial*

**SALVATION ARMY** The Clitheroe group will be speaking about their vision and plans for their new premises in the old Job Centre Monday 13 November at 7.30pm St James' church, Clitheroe. All welcome.

**SHARING HOPE IN CRISIS**—learn how to help others when they need it most. Sat 11 Nov at Clitheroe Community Church—see poster.

**LADIES GROUP** Christmas Friday 19 January at Ferraris, Longridge. Menu's available from porch. Everyone welcome including men! **ALSO** We are arranging a trip to Saltaire and Bradford on Thurs 7 Dec £18 details next week.

**FOUND** At concert on Thursday afternoon a set of rosary beads—please collect from the presbytery. **ALSO** Two unclaimed raffle prizes 417 White ticket brown border and 273 white ticket grey border. Please collect from presbytery.

**LET MY PEOPLE GO** An Autumn talk with Anthony Brown of the Medaille Trust about human trafficking and modern day slavery, Monday 13 November St Wilfrid's parish Centre, Chapel St, Preston PR1 8BU. 7pm for 7.30pm start. Refreshments provided. See poster

**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.

**A.P.F.MISSION** The total box collection was £114.17. Many thanks for your generosity

### **SABDEN**

**FOODBANK DONATIONS** can be left at the back of church.

**BONUS BALL** Winning number 32

**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 and knit, **STITCH** or just natter.

**FUN FITNESS & DANCE** None this week—Half Term. Back on Nov 7th 7.30pm.

**CHRISTMAS BINGO** St Mary's Hall Friday December 8th. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Festive themed family night—more details later.

**THANKYOU** a huge thankyou to all who worked so hard to make the flower festival weekend such a success. A profit of over £1,550 was made, added to which it was a really special joyous occasion. Some raffle prizes still not claimed—check notice board

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** Christmas Cards and Advent Calendars children's Christmas books will be on sale after Mass on Sunday in the Hall.

## St Michael & St John's, Parish Hall **MONSTER JUMBLE SALE**

**Saturday 4th November  
2pm—Admission 50p**

## **WANTED**

Unwanted clothing, Books, DVD's, Bric a Brac etc Jumble can be accepted anytime after 7pm Friday 3rd November at the Hall.

If you wish it to be collected or wish to help in any way then please ring Arnold 01200 427096 or Betty 01200 427029.

*All proceeds will be donated to Mary's Meals, a charity that provides children in some of the poorest communities in the world with one daily meal in their place of education, feeding over 1,200,000 children every day.*

### **DUNSOP**