

Dear Parishioners

On behalf of the Parish and the Right to life charity, I thank all the bakers in our three communities who responded so magnificently to the requests for cakes for the tea party that followed the Healing Mass on Sunday and to refresh the sponsored walkers who offered their blisters on Monday to raise money in support of Right to Life. Thank you all - our housebound particularly enjoy their gettogether over tea after their special Mass.

I'm in the process of planning the next Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programme which will begin in September. The RCIA is an introduction to the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church and is open to any who may wish to deepen their knowledge of the Church, to any who are already determined to join the church, to others who may wish to dip their toes in the water to feel the temperature and any who may have slipped from practice but are considering resuming it again.

This year I'm taking a completely new approach based on a series of professionally produced DVD presentations each of which will be followed by a question and answer session.

Already four people have approached me, so no one should fear that they may be alone! Please take a little time to pray and consider looking among family and friends to ask whether any is interested and then encourage them to come along. There is no obligation - its more of a come and see exercise.

When I have an idea of how many are interested then we shall decide on which night of the week we shall meet. So, please spread the word around and I may be contacted by email, telephone or briefly after Masses. (I do miss not having the time to chat with people, particularly after the Clitheroe weekend Masses but pressure to accommodate both Dunsop and Sabden dictates otherwise)

Following discussions with the respective Headteachers and the Parish Forum the schedule of Holy Day Masses will change on Friday 29th of this month, the Feast of St Peter and St Paul. The new Mass schedule is: 9.15am in Sabden, 10.30am in Clitheroe and 6pm in Dunsop Bridge. This will enable Thorneyholme pupils to attend the 10.30am Mass in St Michael and St John's.

Finally, First Holy Communions will be made this Saturday at 11am in St Michael and St John's and 6.30pm at St Hubert's followed by Sabden on Sunday at the 11am Sunday Mass. Please pray for all the children and their families on their special day.

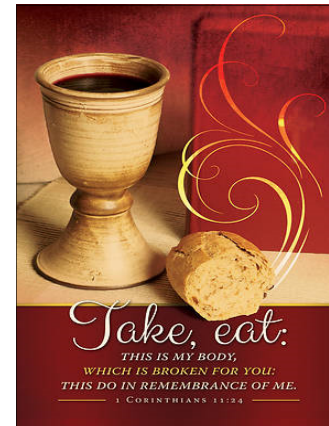
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Corpus Christi - 3rd June 2018

St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am followed by Coffee

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday & Friday

Mass 9am

Saturday (9th June)

First Mass of Sunday—5pm

St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Thursday—Mass at 9.15am Saturday Mass at 6.30pm

St Mary's Church, Sabden

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

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Silvano Gatti, Josephine Sterling, Alice Hurst, Sal Higgins, Vincenzo Ditri, Fintan O'Reilly, Norman Bromley x 4, Winifred Covey, Marie Hughes

SICK

Agnes Marsden, Fintan O'Reilly, Nan Morrison

LATELY DEAD Margaret (Peggy) Simpson, Marie Hughes (nee Kerr)

ANNIVERSARIES Alice Hurst, Vincenzo Ditri, Winifred Covey, Norman Bromley

The quarterly collection for the SVP Society will be taken at masses this weekend 2nd and 3rd of June. Please give generously

PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £763.64 Sabden £269.86 Dunsop £188.90
Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £272

DONATION of £150 in memory of the late Bernadette Taylor (Sabden). Many thanks

A.P.F. RED BOX COLLECTION this time amounted to £505. Many thanks

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS in Liverpool 7–9 September. Anyone interested in attending should contact Fr John for information as soon as possible.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES Pope Francis will be coming 21-27 August in Dublin. There are still some places available to accompany Bishop John to Dublin. See details on poster in porch.

ORDINATION Callum Brown will be ordained in Salford Cathedral on Saturday 21 July. We are arranging a coach there and back. If you are interested please put your name on the list at the back of church. **ONLY FOUR SEATS LEFT** Cost approx £10. **ALSO a Spiritual Bouquet** will be presented to Callum at the parish reception and presentation. There is a list at the back of church for contributions of Masses, Holy Communion and Rosaries that have been offered for Callum.

REFUGEE DAY Helpers/Volunteers needed for Saturday 23 June. If you can help please fill in the form at the back of church.

NORTHERN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE 22/23/24 June at Liverpool Hope University. See poster in porch for more info.

WANTED donations of babies clothing (birth to 2 yrs) nappies, wipes, toiletries etc for Caritas Mother & Baby home in Blackburn. Drop off at 44 Eshton Terrace, Clitheroe or contact Mary O'Reilly ☎ 01200 444473

LADIES GROUP MYSTERY TOUR Wed June 13. Cost £28 which includes coach, two course meal tea or coffee and afterwards an evening of mystery and suspense with a 'spider included'. Leaves Clitheroe Interchange 4.15pm. Open to all—men included. Menus available from the porch—this event is still open if you have not already booked. **Please note— there is no walking on this Mystery Tour**

BIRDS AND EVERYTHING TO DO WITH OUR ENVIRONMENT in the third of our Laudato Si talks, Stephen Burrowes of CAFOD will speak about how we can engage families and young people in looking after our plants and wildlife. Wednesday 13 June 7.30pm. Old School Rooms, Lowergate, Clitheroe. Refreshments provided.

VACANCY Diocese of Salford for a Director of Education to commence September 18 or January 19 or sooner. To request application pack email ☎ 0161 817 2222 or email personnel@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

MASS OF HEALING last Sunday was attended by over 80 people. A big thankyou to Fr John and the many Parish volunteers who made the afternoon successful. The next one will be on Sunday 30th September at 2pm.

LAUDATO SI The Laudato Si Group has submitted its Live Simply Award action plan to CAFOD for registration. Keep up with activities and offerings via our webpage on the Parish website <http://www.olotv.org.uk/parish-groups/laudato-si> or go to "Groups" then "Laudato Si"

DAY OF RENEWAL led by Fr Pat Deegan Saturday 9th June at St Clare's, Fulwood, Preston. See poster in porch for details.

SPRING HAPPENING meeting Wed 20th June 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall to review the event—your input is invaluable. If you are unable to attend but would like to contribute contact Jane Brown 01200 441949 jane_ann_brown@hotmail.com

PARISH DRAW MAY WINNERS Please see poster in porch

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY We will be celebrating Weld Day in the usual way with mass and parish picnic on Sunday 1st July.

RIGHT TO LIFE WALK Anyone with outstanding sponsor money for the walk last weekend please place on the offertory plate in an envelope clearly marked. Thankyou

ROSARY AFTER MASS/SERVICE EACH DAY THIS WEEK

CLITHEROE

ROTAS Sat—Welcoming—J.Bentley **Reader**—A.McGuire **Euch Min** B.Worden & A Ward **Sunday—Welcoming**—M.Rogers & C.Willman **Reader** G.Lambert **Euch Min** G.Lambert, P.Lambert, P.Sutcliffe **Tea & Coffee**—S.V.P. **Little Church** C.Naylor Preston

EAST AFRICAN PLAYGROUNDS a Quiz Night to raise money organised by Geryl & Peter Lambert this Wednesday 6 June in SMSJ Assembly Hall. Tickets £2.50

LOVE CLITHEROE meeting at Clitheroe Community Church Monday 11 June 7.30pm

LOVE CLITHEROE BBQ Saturday 16 June Clitheroe Castle Field 12noon. Help needed to set up from 8.30am, handing out leaflets, serving food and clearing up.

K.S.C.COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday 5th June at 7.30pm in the presbytery

DUNSOP

APF MISSION BOXES please bring Mission boxes to church or give to Anne Cooke

THORNEYHOLME SCHOOL OPEN DAY is celebrating the summer and the wonderful work of our school by hosting an Open Day! But don't just take our word for it—come along and see for yourself! On Thursday 5th July from 9.30am—11.30am & 1.15pm -3.15pm, come along and take part in a guided tour of the school, meet the teachers and see for yourself how our children enjoy their learning. Through a stimulating, nurturing and fun environment, we are a truly inclusive village school.

SABDEN

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left at the back of church.

BONUS BALL Winning Bonus Ball Number 3. Due to increased family commitments I will no longer be able to run the Bonus Ball as it comes to an end in July. For it to continue a volunteer would be required to take it on and more people to support it by purchasing a number. If you can help please let me know. Many Thanks Donna dmaa1@hotmail.com

SUMMER FAIR will be Saturday 30 June 11am-4pm. This will take the form of a craft and fun day. Details to follow.

WIGGLE & GIGGLE Fun, Fitness and Dance sessions in St Mary's Hall every Tuesday for an hour 7.30pm—fun and informal and suitable for all ages you exercise at your own pace. £3.50. Proceeds from these sessions we have been able to refurbish the stage.

KNIT, STITCH & NATTER GROUP would like to thank everyone who attended their Royal Wedding Afternoon Tea. As a result £300 was raised for charity and £100 has gone to St Mary's hall redecoration fund, along with donations to other village charities and one of Prince Harry's charities.

NEARLY NEW we are holding a Nearly New Sale of Womens & Mens clothing on Friday July 6th in the Hall at 7.30pm. We are looking for clothes in very good condition and also people who would like to be a model for the night as we hope to hold a catwalk show. Any items please bring to church or leave with Margaret Waling, Margaret Parsons,, Pat Whitwell of Kay Galea. See poster.

MEN'S BREAKFAST Churches Together in Sabden is holding its second Men's Breakfast on Saturday 30 June at 9am in St Nicholas's Church with full breakfast and possibly a speaker for just £5. It would be nice if St Mary's was represented. If you wish to go please let Bernard Parfitt know on 01282 773759