

Celebrating the Eucharist Together – Everybody is Welcome to our Church Family

'God's heart is a welcoming heart, reaching out in Jesus to embrace all. Our parish dream is that all would feel welcomed and called to welcome.'

Some time ago, the Salvete Group were asked to suggest ways in which we may better identify and welcome visitors and new parishioners to our church. The group recognised the work of the welcomers who greet and hand mass sheets and hymn books to everyone but also they saw that at busy times the pressure prevented the welcomers sparing time with visitors. So, in an effort to be even more approachable, we are looking for more volunteers to formally welcome people in church, without the distraction of distributing books and newsletters. Peter White has designed some beautiful 'Welcomer' badges, featuring the Mother and Child from the stained-glass window in St Hubert's under which the wearer can print their Christian name.

So, we are looking for enthusiastic and friendly parishioners who are prepared to reach out to visitors and new parishioners, whenever they are free to do so. What is involved? Please read the guidelines below and have a word in St Mary's Sabden with Carol Hartley or Anthony Brown, in St Michael & St John's Clitheroe, with Penelope DeSouza or Susan Fellows and in St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge with Fr John.

Guidelines for welcomers

- Be Welcoming to all. A smile is a symbol of friendship and peace.
- Look out for new people.
- Inform them of the Mass Sheets, Hymn Books and newsletter.
- Let them know where they can sit (anywhere!!)
- Advise them of children's liturgy/little church and the location of the toilets (as appropriate)
- Ask if they are visiting, or new to the area. If they are new invite them to complete the new parishioners leaflet.
- Offer the new parish information leaflets.
- Invite them to Coffee afterwards; accompany them as appropriate.

Stay with us Lord on our Journey

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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15th Sunday in Ordinary time - 15th July 2018

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 (21st July)

No Eucharistic Service today Reconciliation 11-11.45am
Exposition 11-11.55am 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

**Please note: The Parish Office will be closed tomorrow
Monday 16th July**

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Doreen O'Hagan, Bob Driver, Joan Ferguson, Margaret Peters

LATELY DEAD

Doreen O'Hagan, Ruth Edwardson

ANNIVERSARIES

Joan Ferguson, Bob Driver, Margaret Peters

PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £860.86 Sabden £222.01 Dunsop £139.50

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £272

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA Clitheroe £374.57 Sabden £151.13 Dunsop £74.00

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 with Pope Francis 21-27 Aug in Dublin. Still some places available to accompany Bishop John to Dublin. See poster in porch.

CALLUM'S ORDINATION NEXT Sat July 21 Coach leaves Interchange at 10am, Sabden 10.20am Cost £10 - please pay either Teresa or Janet or pop through the presbytery door in an envelope marked with your name. Cheques make payable to Our Lady of the Valley. In addition to a spiritual bouquet we would like to present him with a generous gift to help him as he starts off on his journey in the priesthood. Envelopes available at the back of churches. Please return these in the weekend collections or at the presbytery.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME in February 2019 will be led by Bishop John and will run from 16–23rd February. It is for over 18's and cost per person £690 which includes flights, full board and insurance. More info Tracey Ward 0161 817 2222 or email tracey.ward@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 27 JULY Anyone who wishes a petition to be taken and placed at the grotto, please use the marked boxes at the back of our churches in Clitheroe, Sabden and Dunsop which will be available until Sunday 22 July. Also, we are collecting for a candle to be placed at the grotto for all the people of the parish. If you would like to contribute to this, please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Our Lady of the Valley' and put it in the offertory basket at Mass or post it through the Clitheroe letterbox.

WADDOW LODGE National Garden Scheme—Garden open for charity, Clitheroe Road, Waddington today Sunday 15th July 1-5pm. Adults £4 Children Free. Proceeds for St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

WALSINGHAM village will feature on 'Songs of Praise' this Sunday July 15th BBC ONE at 12.10pm. Members of the Blackburn branch of the Walsingham Association will visit our parish on Tuesday August 14th to join us for Rosary at 7pm followed by mass at 7.30pm. If you are interested in Walsingham you are welcome to join us after in the presbytery for light refreshments and a chat.

DAY BY DAY each month we purchase a number of copies of this booklet which include the readings and gospel for each day during the month. These booklets have proved very popular. If you would like one then please see Arnold Marsden

MEDAILLE TRUST Summer edition of the newsletter is in the porch. The Medaille trust is the catholic charity providing safe houses for victims of human trafficking.

FOODBANK We are in need of tinned fruit, tinned potatoes, mashed potatoes, sponge puddings, ketchup, brown sauce, laundry liquid/powder. We have good supplies of beans, pasta, soup, meat and cereal. As always, thank you for your generosity and support

CLITHEROE

ROTAS Sat—Welcoming—J.Bentley Reader—C.McGuire Euch Min— A.Harkin & N.Dixon **Sunday—Welcoming** B.Barker & C.Riley **Reader** C.Carr **Euch Min** H.Lofthouse, B.Collinson, S.Smith **Tea & Coffee—**P.D'Souza & family

Little Church C.Naylor Preston

JESUITS & FRIENDS Summer 2018 edition now available FREE from porch

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

TEA DANCE in The Old School Rooms 2-5pm Wednesday 18th July—Dancing/Afternoon Tea only £4. For info ☎ Daphne 01200 427912

BAPTISM We welcome Finley James McGrath, Alexander Bronislaw Sitarski, and Anthony John Kwasniewski who were baptised last week.

PARISH DRAW June winners £100– 46 J.McDonald, £20– 145 F.Warburton, 103-B.Bithell, £10-151 D.Hibberdene, 87 M.Bradley, 14 B.Lawton, 35 P.Bennett

LADIES GROUP MEETING Wednesday 25th July 7.30pm in The Old School Rooms. Only £2. Speaker Harold Hoggarth (Experiences while researching his family history). Snuff, Spinning & Spiritual Houses. Sounds interesting, have a change and come along and join us—you are most welcome.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY Thursday 27th September Afternoon Variety Concert, Friday 5th Oct—Rossendale Scout Band. Both events in The Assembly Hall.

CHOIRS FOR PEACE FESTIVAL ends today Sunday at 7pm at The Bullring, Clitheroe Market when a specially formed 'Honour Choir', joined by other choirs will close the Festival. Please come and join us

DUNSOP

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Duck Race Monday 27th August 2pm

WADDOW LODGE GARDEN OPEN DAY Today Sunday 15 July 1-5pm. This is normally supported by St Hubert's, but everyone is welcome to donate cakes and help serve the teas. If they could arrive at 11am to set up there will be sandwiches for the helpers at 12noon. Proceeds of the teas go towards St Hubert's For details Contact Peter or Liz Foley 01200 429145

SABDEN

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left at the back of church.

BONUS BALL Winning Bonus Ball Number 1. Bonus ball numbers are available to purchase its only £1 a week to play. Please contact Donna on 01254 823422 if you are interested. Thankyou

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.

SUMMER FAIR A big thank you to everyone who helped make our fair such a success. Even though attendance was less than we would have liked we still made £700. Everyone who came had a great time. The list for the unclaimed raffle prizes is in the porch.

CALLUM' ORDINATION next Saturday. Cost of coach £10 leaves Sabden at 10.20am across road from church (telephone kiosk) Please pay money to Pat Whitwell if you have not already done so

NEARLY NEW EVENT the organisers of last weeks event would like to thank all those who donated items and all who came along and enjoyed the evening which raised £330. There is one unclaimed raffle prize in the top room in the hall.