

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES
CLITHEROE, SABDEN &
DUNSOP BRIDGE**

SATURDAY 22nd DECEMBER

10.45am—Eucharistic Service
11—11.45am Reconciliation
11—11.55am Exposition
5pm—First Mass of Sunday
6.30pm—Mass at Dunsop Bridge

SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER

9.30am—Mass at Clitheroe
11am—Mass at Sabden

MONDAY—CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm—Mass at Clitheroe
6pm Mass at Clitheroe
8pm Mass at Sabden

TUESDAY—CHRISTMAS DAY

8am—Mass at Dunsop Bridge
10am Mass at Clitheroe

**WEDNESDAY—26 DECEMBER
ST STEPHEN'S DAY**

Mass at 12noon—Clitheroe

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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16th December 2018 - 3rd Sunday of Advent St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe



Sunday

Mass at 9.30am
followed by Coffee

**Monday, Wednesday
& Friday**

Eucharistic Service 9am

Tuesday

Mass at 9am

Thursday

Eucharistic Service 9am
1.15pm Funeral Service
Peter Miller

Saturday (22nd December)

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

St Hubert's, Dunsop Bridge

Thursday—Eucharistic Service 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

Michael Day x 2, Alice & Patrick Emerson, Mary Cushion, Joan & Hugh Kelly,
Sr Yvonne Pilarski, Hana Hostovecka, Private intention, Jorge Ribchieste,
James Reid, Helen Addy, Private intention, Ken Fairhurst, Eileen Stirzaker,
Special intention, Richard Swarbrick, Brian Ashton, Cliff Astin x 2, Brian Connolly,
Ronnie Connelly, Paul Francis Byron, Dolly & Bill Geelan

LATELY DEAD

Cliff Astin, Jorge Ribchieste, Ken Fairhurst, Brian Ashton, Kirkland Sunter, Bernadette Clemson, Bozina Julia Taylor, Peter Miller,

ANNIVERSARIES

James Reid, Richard Swarbrick, Brian Connolly

PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £725.18 Sabden £125.70 Dunsop £240.00

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £272

K.S.C. XMAS QUIZ this year will be on Thursday 27th December Admission £2 including Pie and Pea supper. Names please (for catering purposes) to Arnold Marsden 01200 427096 or Betty Collinson 01200 427029. All proceeds to Mary's Meals. Raffle prizes gratefully received.

CAFOD stuck for what Christmas gifts to buy? World Gifts deliver the true spirit of Christmas giving. Pick up a catalogue in all three churches.

CHURCH CHOIR Come along and join our Church Choir most weeks at the 9.30am Sunday Mass—you will be made most welcome. No need to be professional or read music. At the moment we are short of male voices. We look forward to seeing you

DIARIES 2019 Diaries are now available at all three churches—50p each for SVP

CHRISTMAS QUIZ Pick up a Quiz sheet from the back of church—arranged by the Sabden Knit, Stitch & natter Group. Only £1

VASE Thankyou to the person who left a vase of flowers at the Statue of St Teresa a few weeks ago—your vase can be collected from the Sacristy.

THE BEACON The latest edition of the Beacon, the newsletter of our Diocesan charity is now available in the porch. Please take one and learn about what Caritas does.

SEEDLINGS We are having our Christmas Party this Wednesday in the Social Centre 9.15am, so please bring your toddlers along. Please visit our new Facebook page for further news.

CLITHEROE

ROTAS Sat Welcoming—Volunteer **Reader** A.McGuire **Euch Min** A.Southworth, A.Rowley, **Sunday—Welcoming** T.O'Donnell & J.Byrne **Reader** A.Chadwick **Euch Min** G.Lambert, P.Lambert, P.Sutcliffe **Tea & Coffee** Embery family

PARISH DRAW The draw will commence in the new year. You can buy a ticket for £20 and your name will go into a monthly draw for ten months. Want a ticket? then please see either, Janet Clegg, Arnold Marsden, Peter Sutcliffe, Ann Harkin, or Bernard Mercer.

TO HELP YOU PRAY THIS ADVENT

Jesuits and the Diocese of Westminster's Marriage and Family Life Team have joined forces to produce a series of imaginative contemplations to help families journey alongside the Holy Family in prayer this Advent. The series with an introduction, is available to listen to or download from the Jesuits' spirituality website

Pathways to God. Each contemplation focuses on a person or group from the Nativity story—Mary, Joseph, the shepherds and the Magi—who will all be very familiar to children. Each session will have its own suggested storyline and you are invited to imagine and reflect along with it.

SPRING HAPPENING 2019 Jane Brown will not be leading this event but is happy to advise. She is looking for a volunteer to take on this role. If you are interested please contact her on 01200 441949 or email jane_ann_brown@hotmail.com

WANTED Volunteer welcomers and stewards are required for the 4pm and 6pm Masses and for the 10am Mass on Christmas Day. Please give names to Janet please. (Times of all services in all churches will be published in the newsletter next week).

LADIES GROUP ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER Friday 18th January at Whalley Golf Club cost £27 (3 courses). Menu's available from porch. Please pay either Janet or Daphne. The Programme for 2019 is now available from the porch.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS at The United Reformed Church this coming Tuesday starting at 12.45pm. Short Service followed by light lunch.

ROTAS The new rotas for January, February & March should be available from next weekend—sorry about the delay. Anyone who wishes to be taken off any of the rotas please let Janet know as soon as possible. We are always happy to welcome more people to go on the rota as welcomers, readers, Eucharistic ministers or helping with Tea and Coffee after mass.

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERIES The Christmas cards are now available for delivering. They can be found at the front of church (near Sacristy door) and have been batched up and sorted into street names and areas. They do not include cards for any families with a child in our Primary School as they will be sent out with the children. We would be very grateful for your help in delivering the cards this year.

DUNSOP

BINGO & SOCIAL NIGHT On Monday the parish held its annual Bingo and Social Night and Christmas Raffle draw (list of winners in porch). Thankyou to everyone for their support, donation of prizes, supporting the event and helping in any way, and especially Arnold who sold tickets. This successful event raised £2,649.80, profit after expenses £1,742. Fantastic achievement and thank you again for your support.

SABDEN

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left at the back of church.

BONUS BALL This week's winning number is 77 Lesley Holmes Congratulations **KNIT STITCH & NATTER** every Monday 10.15am to noon in the Top room in the Hall. All welcome to pop along for tea/coffee and biscuits and a chat. Bring your own crafts if you wish to knit, stitch or just natter.

CHRISTMAS QUIZ Quiz sheets are on sale to raise money for church funds. Cost £1 and will be on sale at the back of church after Mass. Also on sale at Clitheroe

VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE Wednesday 19th (this Wednesday) 7.30pm. A unique telling of the Christmas story, songs, carols and readings. Come along and take part in this special evening. Tea, Coffee and Mince Pies will be served in the hall afterwards.

RED MISSION BOXES Please bring your box to church to be emptied

GOVERNOR VACANCY At St Mary's Primary School, No formal qualifications needed as training and support will be given, but you need to be aged 18 or over. If you are interested please email the following bursar@st-marys-sabden.lancs.sch.uk bursar@st-marys-sabden.lancs.sch.uk