

50 Faces of the Holy Land

The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales has commissioned a photographic exhibition called '50 Faces of the Holy Land' which will be in Salford Cathedral from Monday 11th - Thursday 28th March.

The faces of the Holy Land are marked with its history and its diversity. The exhibition shows the faces of fifty people from all sections of the various communities found in the Holy Land. It was commissioned by the Bishops to highlight and promote the lives of the faithful in Israel, Palestine & Gaza. Stories are told by people of all ages and experiences; we learn what it is to live in a land that is known by so many to be holy. Archbishop Patrick Kelly will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on **Thursday 28th March at 12.10 pm** to pray for peace in the Holy Land and to show our support for our Christian brothers and sisters. All are

2020 Year of the Word survey to all Catholics

The Bishops Conference writes: As part of the preparations for our 2020 Initiative – *The God who Speaks: The Year of the Word*, we're conducting a very short survey about how we see and use the Bible. We'd like as many Catholics as possible to do this survey so that we get a snapshot of our current relationship with the Scriptures. At the end of 2020 we'll conduct an identical survey and compare the data. This will provide very useful information both for how we direct the Initiative and the momentum beyond 2020.

The 2020 Planning team ask parishioners to download and complete the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LDJBN5Y>

This Sunday has been nominated as a day of prayer for all who have been abused, particularly in the Church

Please pray: Since your mercy has been revealed in the tenderness of your Son Jesus Christ, who said to his disciples: "Suffer the little children to come unto me", we pray that your Church may be a secure home where all children and vulnerable adults are brought closer to your Beloved Son. May all those who have been abused physically, emotionally and sexually by your ministers, be respected and accompanied by tangible gestures of justice and reparation so that they may feel healed with the balm of your compassion. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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17th March 2019 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

St Michael & St John's, Clitheroe



**Monday, Wednesday
& Thursday**
Eucharistic Service at 9am

Tuesday
Mass at 9am

Friday
Mass at 9am
Stations of the Cross 7.30pm
led by Beavers & Cubs Group

Saturday (23rd March)
Eucharistic Service 10.45am
Reconciliation 11am—11.45am
Exposition 11am—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 **Tuesday**—Stations of the Cross 7.30pm
Wednesday—Mass at 9.15 am

Lenten thought:

Buy locally grown vegetables: try eating seasonally

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Brian Carr, Tom Gallagher, Ken Birchall, Joe Lofthouse, x 2, John Willman,
Mark Byrom, Maureen Haworth, Jack Whitwell x 11, Private Intention,
Special Intentions, Eric Whitehead,

LATELY DEAD

Terry Bithell, Joe Lofthouse, Jack Whitwell, Tom Gallagher, Ken Birchall,
Maureen Haworth, Mark Byrom,

ANNIVERSARIES

Brian Carr, Eric Whitehead

PARISH—CLITHEROE, DUNSOP AND SABDEN

OFFERTORY Clitheroe £863.06 Sabden £250.99 Dunsop £110.00

Clitheroe/Sabden Standing Orders £272

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Wednesday 3rd April 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall (Parish Hall, SMSJ) a talk by Mr Michael and Mrs Margaret Cronin on their experiences at the World meeting of Families in Dublin last year.

SALFORD DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES There will be a meeting on Thursday 21st March at 6.30pm in the presbytery for anyone who wishes to join a Parish Group on the pilgrimage.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT Fashion Show at Mytton Fold Thurs 4 April 7.30pm Tickets £6 from Barbara 07814 285774 or Simone 01254 822900—see poster

REFUGEE DAY –WELCOME THE STRANGER For the past three summers, a hugely successful day out in Clitheroe and the Ribble Valley has been held for refugees and asylum seekers. Last year there were 165 adults and children as our guests. This has only been possible through generous support, both financial and through volunteers from local Churches and the Mosque. The event will take place in June or July. We would welcome at least one lead volunteer from each local church. Contact Anthony Brown 07814 251092 abrown.boggarts@googlemail.com.

Tom Clay 07962 136749 tomclay48@hotmail.com

CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day envelopes can be returned any time during Lent—they can be placed in the offertory basket at Mass. If you wish, you can add to the envelope each week and return it on Easter Sunday. Envelopes will be available throughout Lent

GLOBAL HEALING Following Bishop John's pastoral letter, the Laudato Si (Live Simply) Group are showing the half hour Global Healing film again on Wednesday March 20th in the Parish Assembly Room. This will be followed by a discussion on our practical response. Further info <http://www.olotv.org.uk//parish-groups/laudato-si>

GIFT AID ENVELOPES for 2019/2020 should be available from next weekend.

CLITHEROE

ROTAS Sat Welc—A.Harkin **Reader** C.McGuire **Euch Min** F.Ellis & M.Fox
Sun—Welc –B.Parkinson/P.Dixon **Reader** D.Carr **Euch Min** A.Marsden, S.Smith,
M.Smith **Tea & Coffee** P.Byrne & Family **Little Church** S.Fellows/C.Mashiter

K.S.C.DANCE Friday 22nd March from 7.30pm. Dancing to John Lancaster £7 inc Supper. Tickets from Arnold 01200 427096 or Betty 01200 427029

LADIES GROUP Next weekend 23/24th March tickets will be on sale after Mass for the Ukulele Band Concert in the Parish Assembly Rooms on Friday 5th April. All proceeds to Ribble Valley Heart Fund.

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN SCOUT GROUP This is a great opportunity for someone wanting to develop their leadership skills and who enjoys working with other adults. This position will allow you to help develop an existing Scout Group and help it to provide wider Scouting opportunities to more young people. A scouting background is not essential as training will be given.

TEA DANCE Our very popular Tea Dances are back after the repairs to the stage in our Parish Hall. Our next one is NEXT Wednesday 20th March 2—5pm—Come along and join us only £4 which includes Afternoon Tea.

SIDE PORCH Please note this porch is open before and after Mass/Service Monday to Friday and weekends. There is a large selection of items for sale including Easter Cards and Holy Communion gifts and cards will be available. Mothers Day cards are now for sale on the card racks at the back of church

LOVE CLITHEROE vision and prayer meeting 7.30pm Monday 25 March at St Mary Magdalene. Catch up on Christian outreach initiatives in Clitheroe and share in prayer and praise.

LENT TALKS 2019 taking place on the five Saturdays during Lent. At the second of these talks Saturday 23rd March, Ali Groves (Gateway Trust Counselling) will speak on A Christian counselling service. Please note, the venue for this talk will be at St James' Church starting at 11am. Coffee/Tea served from 10.30am. Come along everyone welcome. More details on poster in porch.

BAPTISM We welcome Theo Neil Counsell who was baptised last Saturday.

EASTER LILLIES The remembrance book for deceased relatives and friends will be open from next weekend (16/17 March). A donation of £3 (sorry misprint of price in last weeks newsletter) contributes towards the Easter lily display. Please see Jane Brown (Sat) or Teresa Mercer (Sun) by the Baptistry at the back of church. Please note names and money to be in by Palm Sunday 14th April.

DUNSOP

DUNSOP BRIDGE PLAY GROUP Wednesday mornings 9.30-11.30am in Dunsop Bridge Village Hall. Further details on Facebook or call Laura on 01200 448304

DUNSOP WI MEETINGS are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Details Jean 01200 448631

DUNSOP BRIDGE RUNNING GROUP 'To the Hill and Back' Sunday at 10am, Tues & Wed 7pm. Details from Charlotte Hamblet 07772 270719. Everyone welcome.

EASTER READ AROUND All parishioners are warmly invited to Thorneyholme's School Hall for an Easter Read Around. The Easter story will include eye witness accounts of the events of Holy Week and will be interspersed with Easter hymns. It will be held on Maundy Thursday 18th April at 9.15am.

SABDEN

BONUS BALL This week's winning no 2 Congratulations

KNIT STITCH & NATTER Monday's 10.15am—noon top room of the Hall. All welcome for a chat, tea and biscuits and knit or stitch if you want.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS each Tuesday through Lent starting at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome. If there are any groups who would like to lead any of the weeks please contact Peter or Susan.

EASTER BONNET PARADE Saturday 6th April 10am—12noon. Judging of Bonnets 11.30am. Tickets £2 (children free) including refreshments are now on sale. Raffle—Cake Stall—Card Stall, Goldilocks (hats, gloves, accessories). Tickets on sale after Mass.