

16th August 2020 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass during the week at 10am Monday – Friday in Clitheroe.

Wednesday 7pm Sabden

Saturday 12 noon in Dunsop Bridge.

St. Michael and St. John's open for Private Prayer

Saturday 11 – 12

(No Sunday Masses for the time being)

Once again I am delighted to say that everything went well at weekday Masses in our three churches last week. **Thank you.** Those who have been to any of our Masses are obviously delighted to be able to come to Mass again, and feel safe in doing so. Thank you for adhering to the new rules and regulations we are now asked to observe, it is so important we continue to do so.

Again, thanks to our stewards who make it possible for us to open our churches.

There is still No Sunday Obligation

Try and make Mass during the week your 'New Sunday Mass time'.

When we start celebrating Mass again on Sundays we will perhaps need to let those who cannot come during the week come and take priority in attending weekend Mass.

In doing this we would have no problem getting everyone safely in church either during the week, or at the weekend.

Patience and generosity will be required from us all if this is going to work.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Face-coverings are now mandatory in indoor settings where people are likely to come into contact with others they do not know.

This obviously includes whenever you come into church.

So please remember to wear a face covering when in church

(unless you are exempt for whatever reason)

Please keep your face covering on

when you come forward to receive Holy Communion

Parishes have been instructed that once Mass begins no one can enter church

Baptisms can once again be celebrated in church. Certain conditions are placed before us for celebrating baptisms, this includes limiting numbers who attend.

If you wish to arrange your babies baptism then please contact Fr. Paul.

Funerals Requiem Mass can again be celebrated, but again adhering to certain conditions which includes no more than 30 being able come into the church.

Weddings can once again take place, again no more than 30 are able to come into church and other conditions need to be adhered to as well.

I know that things will be different in the way we are able to celebrate the above, but at least we are able to once again have baptisms, weddings and funerals in church.

Every time I go into St. Michael and St. John's church and stand in front of the beautiful Lady altar or look up at the stained glass window at the back of church, I am reminded of today's Solemnity, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven.

Today's feast should be a source of strength for our faith, and the wonderful work God has accomplished in Our Blessed Lady should fill all of us with confidence, that please God, one day we too shall rise, we too shall live with God in the glory of everlasting life. So let us rejoice in Our Lady's triumph, and let us also follow her example by proclaiming the greatness of the Lord who 'has looked upon his lowly handmaid' and does great things for her – 'Holy, is his name'. We too shall enjoy the glory that Our Lord has won for us, if we like Mary, proclaim the greatness of the Lord in our daily lives, in what we say, in how we live and how we love.

O Mary, assumed into heaven, pray for us who have recourse to thee.

I hope that you are all keeping well, as thankfully I am too.

God Bless, Fr. Paul

Lately Dead: We keep in prayer all who have died recently especially Terry Peters, who died Friday 14th August aged 74 years

CARITAS Salford Vacancies:

COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP DEVELOPMENT WORKER 37 hours per week. Fixed Term Contract until April 2022

SCP20-23 £25,295 - £26,999. BASED ACROSS THE DIOCESE OF SALFORD AND LANCASTER. Working closely with the Refugee Response Manager, the Community Sponsorship Development Worker will be at the pioneering edge of this still relatively new initiative to support vulnerable refugees resettle in the UK.

Experience of working with asylum seekers/refugees, volunteers and community groups is essential. Additionally you must have experience of delivering professional community or social action services to people in need.

Caritas follows Safer Recruitment practices and this post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service checks. Closing date: Monday, 31 August 2020 at 5pm

Interview: Friday, 4 September 2020

For a full role description and to apply, please visit our website www.caritassalford.org.uk for an application pack or contact Rebecca Anderson on by email r.anderson@caritassalford.org.uk

SUPPORT WORKERS (MORNING STAR & EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION)

1 x 37 hours per week. 1 x 22.2 hours per week

SCP5-6 £18,795 - £19,171 (pro rata part time £11,277 - £11,502)

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As a Support Worker you will provide support, housing and homelessness advice to clients to ensure the aims and objectives of the service are successfully achieved.

The Support Worker will work 7.4 hour shifts from 8:00am – 4:00pm or 1:00pm – 9:00pm over 7 days a week.

Experience of working with vulnerable, homeless people or disadvantaged groups in a similar setting is essential.

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Closing date: Tuesday, 1 September 2020, however on receipt of applications they will be reviewed and shortlisted applicants will be invited to an interview. Interviews may be in person (socially-distanced) or via an appropriate platform

Interview: TBC

For a full role description and to apply, please visit our website www.caritassalford.org.uk for an application pack or contact Rebecca Anderson on by email r.anderson@caritassalford.org.uk

FROM THE ARCHIVES:

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE – SEPTEMBER 22nd 1933

CATHOLIC BAZAAR EFFORT

£1,200 REQUIRED FOR DECORATION AND RENOVATION OF CHURCH

TWELVE MONTHS ACTIVITY REACHING SUCCESSFUL CLIMAX

The united efforts of Clitheroe Roman Catholics during the last twelve months reached final shape on Wednesday when the Rev. Father H. Keane, S.J., head of the English Province of the Society of Jesus, formally opened a three days bazaar, organised and designed to raise £1,220 to beautify the Church of SS. Michael & John and to repair the fabric.

The bazaar is being held at the hall, transformed for the occasion into an old English village with well-stocked shops of unusual variety, refreshment rooms and amusement centre. It is an extraordinarily busy village, well of the traffic stream fortunately, and a very attractive one, too. It is clear that the villagers are garden proud, for flowers are banked in lovely profusion wherever nook or cranny allows. Just as obvious is the business acumen of the natives. This English village is full of healthy life and happiness, with friendly rivalry among the traders, pleasure among the customers, and a splendid spirit of co-operation pervading the whole activity of the community.

The bazaar handbook, an intensely interesting and comprehensive publication compiled by Mr Francis A. McNulty, tells us that the stalls and decorative fixtures have been arranged by Mr W. Brown and assistants to designs and plans by Mr M. Walmsley and Mr W. Brown, and everybody concerned is entitled to the warmest congratulation. The busy fingers of the ladies have fashioned seemingly thousands of flowers and these add a delicate touch of charm to a picturesque yet practical arrangement. While the main business of a bazaar is to sell things, there are other considerations of importance. The social side is of definite value and even the business of buying and selling becomes the pleasanter for delightful arrangements such as have been made at The Hall.

The bazaar can hardly fail to achieve success having regard to the skilful organisation, the hard work of every section and the close co-operation and enthusiasm of all. Despite hard times, all associated with the Mission have worked and schemed for the bazaar and the culmination of all this effort is a triumph of earnest endeavour steadily directed towards a fixed object. The Rev. Father A.Kopp S.J. the Rector has been as president the inspiration of the whole effort and he has had the efficient help of many tried and trusted workers, chief among whom may be cited Mr C. Coneron, the highly respected vice-president; Mr F.A. McNulty as the most conscientious, zealous and capable secretary; and Mr H. Marsland, the ever-ready treasurer; these acting in close conjunction with a committee of enthusiasts.

To be continued...

CLITHEROE ADVERTISER AND TIMES OCTOBER 1953

A member of the teaching staff of the Clitheroe R.C. School, Lowergate for the past 40 years, Miss Mary Barrett, of "Heather Brae", Waddington Road, Clitheroe is to retire at the end of the present term.

Miss Barrett has spent her entire teaching career at the school, taking up a post there on the completion of her training at the Mount Pleasant Training College, Liverpool.

For 29 years she was a member of the teaching staff of the senior section, and for the last 11 years has been an assistant teacher in the infant school. Miss Barrett has also done valuable work for the National Savings movement having held the position of secretary of the school savings group since February 1917.

When her retirement was announced at the meeting of Divisional Education Executive No 5 at Whalley on Tuesday, it was agreed that a letter of appreciation be sent to Miss Barrett.

CLITHEROE ADVERTISER AND TIMES AUGUST 1956

After 14 years Clitheroe Catholic Girls Club has broken tradition. Boys can now become members. Previously the boys had no club catering, and their support will strengthen the club in many ways.

The girls have had to struggle for a long time against mixed clubs. Now they will be able to compete on equal terms.

In the drama section, too, the boys will be able to play an important part.

The club in keeping with the new policy has changed its name. It is now Clitheroe Catholic Youth Club