

Our Lady of the Valley

Parish Newsletter

24th January 2021 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd – 31st January the week ahead:-

Mass 12 noon (Saturday) Dunsop Bridge

Mass 5pm (Saturday) Clitheroe

Mass 9.30am (Sunday) Clitheroe

Mass 11am (Sunday) Sabden

Monday **No Public Mass** Conversion of St. Paul.

Tuesday Mass 10am (Clitheroe) Ss Timothy and Titus.

Wednesday **No Public Mass**

Thursday Mass 10am (Clitheroe) St. Thomas Aquinas.

Friday **No Public Mass**

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A Public Mass can only be celebrated on the days that we have stewards who are available. (see above)

We are in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 18-25 January. This year's theme is taken from St John's Gospel, 15:1-17: 'Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit'. This year's Week of Prayer has been very different from past years. We can however keep each other in our daily prayer. This Week of Prayer for Christian Unity should help all Christians to see that the closer they draw to Christ, the closer they will be to one another. A message from the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity said: 'Divisions among Christians—moving away from one another—are a scandal because it is also moving further away from God. Christ's prayer for unity is an invitation to turn back to Him and so come closer to one another, rejoicing in the richness of our diversity.' Pope Francis will preside over the Second Vespers of the Solemnity of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle at the end of the Week of Prayer on Monday 25 January at 5.30 pm in the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, with representatives of the other Christian communities in Rome and Italy. The celebration will be broadcast live on the Vatican News website

LATELY DEAD:

John Hartley, Gerald Walmsley, Stephen Francis Myerscough, Margaret Ireland, Sheila McGillick

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

John Hartley x 3, Jeff Cowgill, Molly Hartley, Rita & Frank Donbavand x 2, Sheila McGillick, Margaret McKenna, Els Ellis

ANNIVERSARIES

Molly Hartley, Harriet Foulker, John Marsden, Margaret McKenna

Live simply thought for the week:

REDUCE your waste; before you throw anything away can you **REUSE** or **RECYCLE**?

Ribble Valley Youth:

RVY livestream this month will be on Friday 29th at 7PM on the Ribble Valley Youth Youtube channel.

Caritas Collection:

Due to COVID-19 restrictions things are different this year, but you can still make a donation to Caritas Salford Diocese by placing your donation in an envelope marked 'Caritas' and leave it in the offertory collection box, or you may wish to make a one off debit or credit card donation online via their secure website <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/donate/> or set up a direct debit mandate.

To find out more about the work of Caritas Diocese of Salford or support the Miracle of Kindness appeal, please visit www.caritassalford.org.uk

Global Healing:

On Thursday 18th February, Bishop John will launch a series of speakers, prayers and discussions based on the film-based resource, "Global Healing". The talks will take place each week from the 18th February throughout Lent, with our Head of Environment Dr Emma Gardner sharing her own knowledge and experiences with us on Thursday 4th March's event.

We all have our own part to play in responding to the environmental crisis our world is facing and Pope Francis has called each of us to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

The "Global Healing" documentaries will inform and challenge people to respond to Pope Francis' call to Care for Our Common Home. The films are suitable for all who are concerned about what is happening to our world and who want to take action, or those who want to learn more about the issue.

The films will take place over six Thursdays, from 18th February – 25th March 2021, between 7.30pm – 8.30pm and are hosted by the Global Catholic Climate Movement Laudato Si' Animators in the UK.

To register to join, please email jane@catholicclimatemovement.global

Sacramental Programme:

Just to let you know that we have not forgotten you!!!

The children now in year 4 had just started receiving their First Holy Communion at one of the weekend Masses, but then this had to stop due to rapidly changing circumstances. As soon as we are able to, we will invite the children from last year's programme to receive their First Holy Communion, again at one of the weekend Masses.

The children who are now in year 3 would have normally begun their preparation to receive the sacraments, but again due to present circumstances this has not been possible. When it is safe to do so, and perhaps in a shorter form, we will be in touch and invite these children to take part in the Sacramental Programme, and hopefully, all being well, receive their First Holy Communion towards the end of the year.

At this time I am not able to make any promises about what will be possible, but I hope and pray that we are able to move forward, and that our children in years 3 and 4 can then eventually receive the sacraments.

In the meantime, keep safe and stay well.

FROM THE ARCHIVES:

Copy of a letter from Baldwin, Weeks & Baldwin sent to The Parish Priest on 23rd October 1942:

Dear Father Kopp,

As requested, I am setting forth herein particulars of Requisitions and De-Requisitions by Government Departments of Stanley House, Clitheroe, and land at rear of Stanley House, School and other property.

STANLEY HOUSE

Requisitioned 4th January, 1940, by War Department.

Compensation agreed at rate of £52 per annum payable on usual quarter days.

Counterpart Agreement signed on behalf of War Department forwarded to you

By letter dated 10th May, 1940.

LAND BEHIND STANLEY HOUSE & C *

1. Land edged Red on Plan A, herewith requisitioned by War Department 1st February, 1940.

Compensation agreed with James Ward & Son, the tenants, at £25 per annum payable on usual quarter days.

Agreement dated 31st July 1940.

2. Land edged Red on Plan B herewith de-requisitioned by War Department for use by Ministry of Aircraft Production, who requisitioned same on 24th June 1940.

Compensation agreed by Ministry of Aircraft.

Production with James Ward & Son, at £2. 10. 0d per annum payable quarterly on the usual quarter days.

Agreement dated 9th July, 1942

3. Land edged Blue on Plan C. herewith de-requisitioned by War Department on 4th June, 1941.

Claim for compensation for making good damage occasioned to this plot of land agreed at £15 by James Ward & Son with War Department on 31st August 1942

4. Land edged Red on Plan D. herewith represents remaining portion of land covered by the War Department's Requisition mentioned in Clause 1 hereof.

Agreement of 3rd July, 1940, amended by Endorsement on 7th August, 1941, whereby the compensation payable under the Agreement is reduced to £10 per annum.

The combined effect of Clauses 1 to 4 is that J.Ward & Son receive Compensation in respect of land edged red on Plan B at £2.10.0d per annum and in respect of land edged red on Plan D at £10 per annum, a total of £12.10.0d per annum leaving them to pay out of their own funds 12.10.0d in respect of the land edged blue on Plan C

The two sums of £12.10.0d. and £12.10.0d., of course, represent their annual rent of £25.00 0d.

It will also be noted that J.Ward & Son have received compensation for damage to the land edged Blue on Plan C to walls & c * occasioned by the requisition.

I should also call your attention to the fact that whenever the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the War Department de-requisition Stanley House and the plots of land edged red on Plans B and D claims for compensation will arise for any damage occasioned.

I trust the above is the information you require. If not, I shall be happy to give you any further information I can.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

H.Weeks

** think this must be Church*

Again more on Stanley House.

A letter sent to Rev.Fr Robinson on November 11th 1926 from the Bank Salerooms

Dear Sir,

As requested by you I have made an inspection of the Properties & Land adjoining Lowergate and Shaw Bridge Street and beg to report as follows.

- (1) The Cottage No 41 Lowergate Clitheroe occupied by T.H.Wood together with Stables, outbuildings, yard, and garden.

I find this house in rather dilapidated condition; the floors of some of the rooms are quite unsafe to walk over and the tenant complains that the roof is bad and that it rains in. There is a considerable quantity of land with this lot but I have not been furnished with particulars. It possesses a frontage of about 23yrd to Lowergate, and has a depth of about 32 yds or approximately about 700 sq yds of land.

The Porcelain Slopstone in Kitchen; glass house at back door and the Wooden shed in yard are claimed by the Tenant.

- (2) The Residence or Dwelling House known as "Stanley House" situated in, or adjoining Lowergate Clitheroe joining up to Item (1) together with the Stables, & Premises also fronting Lowergate and the outbuilding; Glass houses, gardens, Lawns & premises at present let to & occupied by J.W.Carlisle Esq.

This house although a fairly old one contains lofty rooms and has a very pleasant southerly outlook. It contains on the ground floor 3 Entertaining rooms, Study, Butlers Pantry & offices, Entrance Hall & Kitchen.

On the first floor are four Bedrooms & 2 Dressing Rooms, & Bathroom & c. Also Billiard room over Kitchen, as well as a number of useful attic Bedrooms &c. on the second floor; and there are Cellars, under the greater part of the house.

The Property, gardens & grounds are Self contained and are (so I understand) free from ground rent or any other charges.

This type and size of house is at present very difficult to sell, as there is a strong tendency for nearly everybody to get into smaller houses.

- (3) The Meadow or Field behind Stanley House joining Mearley Brook, with to Shaw Bridge Street.

A good portion of this land is, I understand liable to be flooded, and consequently unsuitable for Building purposes, more particularly for house property.

It has a small frontage to Shaw Bridge Street, but having regard to the fact that it floods, I do not think that it can be put at a much higher price than good accommodation land value.

But occupying such a central position in the Town, there is a possibility that it might be required, or parts of it might be required, for a class of Property, or business which would not be affected by occasional floods, and in that case there is a contingent prospective value in the land.

Regarding Items 1 & 2 which have a frontage to Lowergate, it is almost certain that at no distant date this street will have to be widened and a slice taken off these properties for widening purposes and the value of the properties remaining will be considerably enhanced thereby.

However, after carefully considering the circumstances & conditions in connection with the three foregoing lots of Property, I am of the opinion that.

Item 1	The Cottage, Yard, Garden & Premises as occupied by Mr J.H.Wood is worth FOUR HUNDRED POUNDS	400
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Item 2	Stanley House, gardens & Premises as let to Mr Carlisle	1550
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I consider to be worth FIFTEEN HUNDRED & FIFTY POUNDS

Item 3	The Field joining up to Stanley House, with a small frontage to Shaw Bridge Street, Clitheroe. I estimate to be worth at the rate of £200 per	
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acre. (I have no particulars as to the area of this field.)

I am,

Yours truly,

Amos Wherden

Schedule of fixtures passing with Stanley House, Clitheroe, as copied from Mr Carlisle's Lease.

Hall	2 gas brackets
Study	gas Pendant as fixed, Reading lamp in cupboard
Dining Room	1-3 light Chandlier, Carved Oak Sideboard
Drawing Room	Gilt Cornice over window
Stairs	Gas bracket as fixed, Corner cupboard as fixed to Landing.
Red Room	3 gas brackets & 1 mantel board
Mr Trappes Room	3 gas brackets
Chinz Room	3 gas brackets as fixed
Dressing Room to above	Painted Wardrobe as fixed, 2 small gas brackets

Blue Room	2 gas brackets, 1 mantel board & fringe
Passage to Billiard Room	1 gas bracket
W.C.	Small Mahog cupboard as fixed ditto shelf as fixed
Butlers Pantry & Store Room	1 Deal cupboard brize lining, 1 Dresser, 2 gas brackets, Towel rack, Tray stand, all shelving with 2 cupboards as fixed
Middle Kitchen	Gun rack over mantel, Wood shelves, Store cupboard with sliding doors.
Kitchen	Large Dresser opposite window, Towel rack near fireplace, Shelving, 2 pot rails and 2 fall tables as fixed, 1 gas bracket, 2 gas pendants
Servants Landing	Large Linen Cupboard, Small Mahog gate, 4 doors, 9 Picture rods & 3 Window protectors
Washhouse & Laundry	4 gas brackets and 1 gas pendant, Ironing stove as fixed.