

CHURCH CHOIR As we are beginning to return to Church after the Covid pandemic so our choir is singing again at the 9.30am Sunday Mass. If you like singing please come and join us—young or old—even if you think you are unable to sing—you would be most welcome .

STATIONS OF THE CROSS The Pro-Life Group will be leading the Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm Friday 8th April Please make the effort to join us

TRINITY DRAMA GROUP are presenting a three act Easter play—The Vigil, by Ladislav Fodor for one night on Wednesday 13th April in Trinity Methodist Church under the auspices of Clitheroe Christians in Partnership. The play is free and no booking is required. Refreshments served afterwards. See poster in porch.

DUNSOP BRIDGE

MISSING Whilst repairs were being made to the wrought iron fencing around the Church recently it was noticed that two decorative finials are missing. If anyone knows where these may be or has any information please contact John Ramsden.

WANTED If any one would be willing to read at Mass at St Hubert's would they have a word with Anne Precious. Thank you

HOLY WEEK READ AROUND Parishioners are invited to join the children and staff at Thorneyholme RC Primary School for their annual Holy Week Read Around. It will be held on Maundy Thursday 14th April 2022 at 9.30am in the school hall and during the Read Around, we will listen to hymns, readings and reflections. If you would like to read a passage of the Easter Story, please can you contact Olga Jackson at the school on 01200 448276

SABDEN

KNIT STITCH & NATTER GROUP, meet each Monday 10.15am—12.15pm in the top room in St Mary's Hall. £1 admission with tea/coffee and biscuits. Everyone is welcome to come along for a natter and knit and stitch if you wish—but not necessary—many just like to come for a chat.

OVER 50's Tuesday morning "Let's Live Life" exercise class in St Mary's Hall from 10-11am. £3 per session and the routine is different each week. It is social and enjoyable and suitable for all abilities, including those who wish to stay seated. For more details ring Sam on 01200 442188

COFFEE MORNING NEXT SATURDAY April 9th from 10am—12noon in St Mary's Hall. Admission £2 which includes a drink and a hot-cross bun and there will be a tombola and raffle along with a bottlebola stall with a prize every time. Also a bric-a-brac and gift stall, knitted items and cakes. Please pop along for a brew and a browse

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Tuesday 5th April at 7.30pm (*please note the change of time*) and every Tuesday throughout Lent. Like to take part? Then speak to Peter or Susan.

BONUS BALL Last weeks winners—Pat Whitwell no 40

ONE VOICE Our Wednesday night musical theatre group for young people is taking an Easter break but will be back Wednesday April 20th. The classes are for ages 6-11 4.30—5.30pm, 11-16's 5.45-7pm. More info from Annie 07710 248458 or email one-voicesabden@gmail.com

Gift Aid/Offertory envelopes will be given out before and after Mass this weekend. If you don't already Gift Aid your offertory and would like to see Janet or give her a ring on 01200 423307 or 07866 898109

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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3rd April 2022 Fifth week of Lent

Mass Today

12 noon (Saturday) Dunsop Bridge.

5pm (Saturday) Clitheroe

9.30am (Sunday) Clitheroe

11am (Sunday) Sabden

Masses during the week

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday & Friday

Mass at 10am (Clitheroe)

Stations of the Cross

Tuesday 7.30pm (Sabden)

Friday 7.30pm (Clitheroe)



If at all possible, do try and join us for 10am weekday Mass always a time of peace and quiet, and many blessings.

Saturday Confessions in Clitheroe 10—10.45am and 4.15—4.45pm

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Mary Bleazard, William Buggie

ANNIVERSARIES

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Baptisms by appointment with Fr Paul

Tea & Coffee available in the Hall after Mass today (Clitheroe & Sabden)

OFFERTORY LAST WEEKEND £851.63

ECO-GARDENING TRAINING AT LAUDATO SI' CENTRE

Various dates beginning April, Laudato Si' Centre at Wardley Hall. The Eco-gardening Essential Training programme enables gardeners of any skill level to confidently adopt sustainable gardening methods. Participants have the opportunity to learn the theory and practice of gardening with ecological patterns. The programme has been designed to skill people up while supporting the development of an eco-garden setting. Find out more and book at <https://northernschool.info/eco-gardening-course-laudato-si>

LIVE SIMPLY THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Try to eat more simply. Then donate the money you save and pop the savings into your CAFOD Family Fast Day envelope.

UKRAINE We stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian people and send our prayers to those Caritas agencies in neighbouring countries.

See <https://cafod.org.uk/#/~:Ukraine%20Humanitarian%20Appeal%320How,people%20across%20the%20country>

CAFOD Please keep your Family Fast Day envelope through Lent. Envelopes are available in the porch. For Dunsop & Sabden please ring Grace—01200 425928

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS IN LENT The next Lenten Lectio Divina will be on Wednesday 6th April in the Presbytery at SMSJ from 1.30—2.15pm. No need to book, just turn up and see if you enjoy this extra Lenten encounter. If you have any questions please contact Liz Cullen on 07814 460574

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE on Wednesdays at the House of Prayer (Turret House) which is on Edisford Rd on the right hand side just before the bridge. Prayer gatherings at the following times 7.30—8am and 12noon—12.30pm. The prayer space will be open 8am-4pm for individual prayer.

WALSINGHAM The Salford Diocese to Walsingham this year will be on Saturday 7th May. More details will hopefully be available next week. Watch this space

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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday (next Sunday) The Palms will be blest and distributed at each Mass. We will have Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 3.30pm next Sunday

Easter Triduum Holy Thursday—Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm
Ecumenical Service and Walk of Witness at St Mary Magdalene 10.30am

Good Friday—The Passion of the Lord 3pm
Easter Vigil - 6.30pm (All celebrated in St Michael & St John's)

Easter Morning Mass at 8am in Dunsop Bridge
Mass at 9.30am in Clitheroe— Mass at 11am in Sabden

ONLINE CHRISTIAN RETREATS VIA ZOOM Please see the January—April Programme on the poster in the porch

UKRAINE Following the UK Government's announcement on a domestic response to the Refugee Crisis, Caritas Diocese of Salford has launched its Appeal to provide local capacity on the ground here, and enable faith in action. They will support those in Salford Diocese welcoming and hosting refugees from Ukraine and provide emergency grants to support individuals and families as they resettle. To read the latest information visit the website for updates: <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/ukraine-crisis?> Are you a **Ukrainian or Russian speaker?** If you are please register by email as a volunteer translator: communitysponsorship@caritassalford.org.uk

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Mass of Healing Sunday 22nd May at 2pm in our Parish Hall. More details in a few weeks.

PRO-LIFE MEETING Monday 4 April 10.30am in Presbytery—a opportunity to discuss several issues mainly associated with fighting against abortion and euthanasia. All are welcome.

UKRAINE REFUGEES If you wish to support Ukrainian refugees through the Homes for Ukraine scheme or in other ways a questionnaire has been set to up to coordinate a response. This questionnaire can be found on www loveclitheroe.com/refugee support

A Welcome to new parishioners

We have noticed a few new faces in the congregation in recent weeks. If you are new to the parish please make yourselves known to us, and complete one of the forms available at the back of church. Why not join us after Sunday morning Mass for Tea/Coffee and biscuits in our Parish Hall—you are most welcome.

CLITHEROE

CALLING ALL BUDDING GARDENERS/DIGGERS We will shortly be putting a rota together so volunteers will have notice of the dates when we will be working in the Presbytery garden. We are also seeking donation of bulbs/plants that you may have surplus. We hope to repurpose and recycle as much as possible. If anyone has access to bark clippings these can be collected. Next gardening day is 10.30am behind the Church on Saturday 9th April. We finish working at 12 noon. Buns welcome. Tel: Anne Peplow 07792 637005 to find out more.

GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE at 10.30am at St Mary Magdalene's followed by a Walk of Witness to the Castle Gates for a short service there. We need some readers and volunteers to carry the cross and steward. If you are willing to help the please contact Alan Meyer meyeralan987@gmail.com or telephone 01200 442443

EASTER CARDS—More Easter cards are on sale from the side porch.

WANTED The Parish is in need of volunteers to help maintain St Joseph's Cemetery on Waddington Road, Clitheroe, with Grass cutting—Weeding—Removing moss from the paths etc will be the main tasks. We are intending to set up a rota to ensure that the Cemetery remains a fitting place for the Parishioners buried there. Contact Anne Peplow on 07792 637005 if you would be willing to help.

