

DUNSOP BRIDGE—EVENTS AT DUNSOP VILLAGE HALL

PLAYGROUP Term time only 9.30-11am. Contact Laura 07790 516260

PILATE SESSIONS Mon eveg 6-7pm. More Info Christine Billington992@gmail.com

SEWING GROUP on Fridays 1.30-3.30pm. Details Janet 01200 448201

KEEPING FIT WITH MATT Thur & Fri more info mdfitnesscoach@outlook.com

SABDEN

KNIT STITCH & NATTER GROUP, each Mon 10.15am—12.15pm in the top room in St Mary's Hall. £1 admission with tea/coffee and biscuits. Everyone welcome to come along for a natter/knit/stitch if you wish or just come for a chat

BONUS BALL Last weeks winner number 11

ONE VOICE Wednesday night musical theatre group for young people is back again. Classes for 6-11 years 4.30-5.30pm and 11-16 from 5.45-7pm. More info from Annie 07710 248458 email onevoicesabden@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS SHOW The One Voice musical theatre group which meets in St Mary's Hall (see above) is holding a family Christmas show, "Now! That's What I Call Christmas" on Saturday December 10th—Two performances 2.30pm and 5.30pm Tickets £7 tel 07710 248458 or emailing: onevoicesabden@gmail.com

SCRABBLE CLUB St Mary's is holding Scrabble Nights in the top room (coffee lounge) on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, from 7pm to around 9.15pm. Everyone welcome £1 adm includes tea/coffee and biscuits. .

VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE Churches Together in Sabden is holding a Village Carol Service on Sun Dec 18th at 4pm in the Baptist Church Hall. It is a free event and should be a lovely festive hour, to be followed by tea/coffee and mince pies.

CAFOD Sabden Thank you so much to all who supported the Fairtrade Sales the last 2 weeks. Between the 2 participating churches, we have made a profit of \$62.15 (including trade discount, sale of Peace lilies and donations). This will be donated to CAFOD

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S SCHOOL—UKRAINE SHOEBOX APPEAL

We are promoting the Ukraine Shoebox appeal along with the Clitheroe Rotary Club. They would be most grateful if you could fill a shoebox with any of the following items that would brighten up a child's life. Colouring books—Pens—Small toys—Crayons—Building blocks—Pencil case—Skipping rope—writing pads—Cards etc—Hats—Gloves—Scarves—Toothbrush & toothpaste, **BUT NO FOOD** e.g. Sweets, chocolate, aerosols, drinks etc.



Please add a small note on the outside of the box whether it is for a boy/girl and intended age. The shoebox is to be sealed with an elastic band so that the box can be opened and checked before being transported.

All Shoeboxes to be dropped off at St Michael & St John's school office by Tuesday 6th December.

This appeal is open to all three churches, Clitheroe, Sabden and Dunsop

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe, Sabden & Dunsop Bridge

Tel 01200 423307 website: olov.org.uk

Parish Priest: Canon Paul Brindle, Presbytery, Lowergate, Clitheroe BB7 1AG

Parish Priest email: paul.brindle@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Parish Secretary email: janet.clegg@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or smsj@btinternet.com

St Michael & St John's Primary School Tel: 01200 422560 **Head:** Mrs Zoe Mabbott

St Mary's Primary School, Sabden: Tel: 01282 771009 **Head:** Ms Claire Halstead

Thorneyholme Catholic Primary, Dunsop Bridge Tel: 01200 448276 **Head:** Mrs Olga Jackson

Second Sunday of Advent—4 December 2022



Masses this weekend

12noon Saturday—Dunsop Bridge

5pm Saturday—Clitheroe

9.30am Sunday—Clitheroe

11am Sunday—Sabden

*Baptisms by appointment
with Fr Paul*

Masses during the week

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday Mass at 10am Clitheroe

Wednesday—Eucharistic Service at 10am Clitheroe

Tuesday Years 3 and 5 will be joining us for the 10am Mass

Funeral Service Monday 11am for Philomena Nelson R.I.P.

Tuesday 11.30am for Martin Byrne R.I.P.

Saturday (11th December)

Confessions in Clitheroe 10.15am-10.45am & 4.15pm—4.45pm

CONFIRMATION

Let us keep in prayer our young people who are being Confirmed by Bishop John on Wednesday. Stonyhurst have set up a live feed which you can view from 6.45pm <https://youtu.be?Pj4PDkWFg>

Advent Do try and join us for weekday Mass in Advent, especially next Thursday for the feast of the Immaculate Conception

MASSES THIS WEEK Phyllis Filbin, Mary Filbin, Ashfield Batts, John McDonald, Joseph Lofthouse, In thanksgiving, Ivan Galea

LATELY DEAD Philomena Nelson, Martin Byrne, Ivan Galea

ANNIVERSARIES Phyllis Filbin, Ashfield Batts, John McDonald, Fr Francis Hannan SJ

COLLECTION Thank **you** for your generosity in last weeks Offertory Collection £1311.36 (this figure does not include standing orders). S.V.P. £778.00

LIVE SIMPLY THOUGHT OF THE WEEK. Over the Christmas period, thousands of local people will be facing acute crisis and need our support, as the cost-of-living crisis deepens. Will you #BeeThere for them this Christmas?

<https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/service-view/caritas-advent-appeal-2022/>

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RIBBLE VALLEY FOOD BANK We are short of: long-life fruit juice, long-life milk, instant mash potato, sponge puddings. All donations gratefully received

ALPHA talks paused until January 8th 2023. Please phone Mary 01200 428653 or Grace 01200 425928 if you would like more information about the Alpha Course.

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Wednesday 7th December and the remaining weeks of Advent there's an opportunity to read and reflect on the Sunday Gospels. Each Wednesday at 1.30pm come along to the presbytery. All welcome (no need to book). Refreshments provided. Any queries contact Liz on 07814 460574

CLITHEROE

We now have a good selection of Christmas cards on sale on the Repository stall (side porch). Have a browse and do consider sending cards with a religious meaning, portraying the wonderful message of Christmas.

There are also some Confirmation cards on the rack at the back of church.

The side porch will be open before and after Mass on weekends and weekdays.

CCP WARM SPACE INITIATIVE A joint Christian response from Clitheroe Churches in Partnership. A different church in Clitheroe, each day, will be offering to open up a warm space area within their church Monday to Friday starting in December and running through to March 2023, Not all churches lend themselves to offer such spaces and so: If you would like to get involved, we are looking for volunteers, on a rota basis, to be available to welcome visitors and to offer them a hot drink. Please feel free to offer your support directly to the church on the day that suits you or contact Mary on 07947 078776. Please see poster in porch to see the venues and times.

CCP LOVE CLITHEROE Prayer theme for December can be found in the porch. Please also pray for the Warm Spaces initiative which started on Friday

CHRISTMAS MASSES 2022

Christmas Eve 4pm and 6pm in Clitheroe	7pm in Sabden (Fr Kelly)
Christmas Morning 8am in Dunsop Bridge	10am in Clitheroe

Salford Almanacs 2023 are now for sale at the back of all three churches £3.50

CHRISTMAS TEA DANCE Wednesday 14th December in the Old School Hall (Parish Hall) Lowergate, Clitheroe 2pm—4.30pm. Tea/cakes and scones will be served. Only £5. You are allwelcome to join us. If you only want to sit and enjoy the company, and music that's OK, come along. Get in the mood for Christmas. Hostel by Ladies Group.

LADIES GROUP CHRISTMAS LUNCH Friday 20th January at the Calf's Head Hotel, Worston. Two course meal £25. Menu's are available in the church porch. Money and menu's can be given to Janet or Daphne BEFORE—Christmas please.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY QUIZ NIGHT Thursday 29th Dec in the Assembly Hall
CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT Thursday 15th December at The Assembly Room, Lowergate, Clitheroe with the amazing Slaidburn Silver Band and supported by St Michael & St John's Music Group, come and listen to a selection of Christmas Carols and songs to get you in the festive spirit. Entry by ticket is £2 and includes a mince pie and mug of mulled wine on arrival. Monies raised for St Michael & St John's Music Group is being donated to our church and your support is greatly appreciated. Tickets will be on sale after masses at Clitheroe or please speak to members of the music group or ring/message GERALYN 07483 8141358. Alternatively please call in or contact the Old School Rooms on 01200 423073. Doors will be open at 7pm for 7.45pm start.

CCP—HOLIDAY FUN There was a recent meeting to review 'Holiday Fun' a series of church events providing support for parents and child carers during half term. We have received extremely positive feedback about the events and the view from the meeting was that we should run 'Holiday Fin' again in the February 2023 Half Term (Monday 13—Friday 17 February. To that end, there will be a planning meeting at Clitheroe Community Church on Wednesday 7th December at 1.30pm.

Come along, you will be made very welcome, to the Assembly Hall (our Parish Hall) after Mass on Sunday morning and join other parishioners for a cup of Coffee or Tea and biscuits. You will be most welcome

JOY TO THE WORLD Today Sunday 4th December at Trinity Methodist Church at 3pm this year ***Please note the early start time this year.*** Featuring Ribble Valley Choir and Orchestra with music, poems, dance and drama, including items for the audience. The concert will end approx. 4.15pm when mince pies and hot drinks will be served. Joy to the World is free to attend and there will be a retiring collection for the Christian Aid Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

CLITHEROE CIVIC SOCIETY Monday Dec 5th in The Assembly Hall. 'Stonyhurst College: The story of the oldest museum in the English-speaking world' presented by Dr Jan Graffius. Admission £3 inc Tea/Coffee and Mince pie. See poster in porch

ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND

Readers—Saturday— Andy McGuire **Sunday—** Peter Donnelly

Eucharistic Ministers — Saturday— Bernadette Worden

Sunday— Sion Hall **Tea & Coffee —** Betty Collinson