

WRAP UP EAST LANCASHIRE Rotary in East Lancashire is again supporting Wrap Up East Lancashire with the collection of unwanted coats to keep those warm who may be suffering hard times during the coming winter months. This year's collection will run from October 9th—29th. Collection points in Clitheroe will be at the following supermarkets—**Booths, Sainsbury's and Tesco along with several churches.** Please dig out unwanted ladies, mens and childrens coats . We can accepts coats and gilets, but NO hats, gloves, jumpers, track suit bottoms or scarves. Further info David Bleazard, Clitheroe Rotary bleazardd@aol.com or tel 07736 742188. See poster in porch. **ALSO** we are recommencing the collection of drug foil blister packs the proceeds of which are donated to Myeloma (Blood Cancer) UK. Blister packs can be dropped off in our collection point at the entrance to the Rose and Crown, Castle St during opening times commencing at noon.



DUNSOP BRIDGE

PILATE SESSIONS Mon evening 6-7pm. More Information-Christine Billington992@gmail.com

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

SUNDAY TROUGH TEAS The popular Sunday Trough Teas are back! 10am—4pm at Dunsop Bridge Village Hall, there will be sandwiches, homemade cakes, hot and cold drinks for sale, chich you can eat in or take away. The raised money will go to various charities.

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

KEEPING FIT WITH MATT Thursday & Friday - 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—come along for a natter/knit/stitch or just come for a chat

BONUS BALL Winning number no 13 Matthew Doyle

SCRABBLE CLUB St Mary's is holding Scrabble Nights in the top room on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month, from 7pm to around 9.15pm. Everyone welcome £1 admission

COME AND SING Tuesday evenings from 6-7pm. All adult ages and abilities welcome £4 per session More details from 07710 248458 or

FOODBANK There is a box in the porch for the Ribble Valley Foodbank if you would like to help needy families in our area. See Food Bank notice—middle page

CLEANING If anyone would like to help with cleaning our Parish Hall on a regular or occasional basis, please see Margaret Parsons.

RED BOX COLLECTION—See left middle page

COFFEE

There is tea/coffee and biscuits in the Hall most Sundays after Mass, a lovely chance to meet up and have a chat. Please join us

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

Catholic Communities of Clitheroe, Sabden & Dunsop Bridge

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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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st October 2023

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday

12noon—Mass at Dunsop Bridge

5pm—Mass at Clitheroe

Sunday

9.30am—Mass in Clitheroe

11am—Mass at Sabden



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Mass at 10am (Clitheroe)

Wednesday

Eucharistic Service at 10am (Clitheroe)

Saturday (7th October)

Confessions 10.15—10.45am & 4.15pm—4.45pm

Baptisms by appointment with Fr Paul

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Glenn Peters x 3, Brother Chris Brown,

LATELY DEAD

Sheree Donnelly

ANNIVERSARIES

Brother Chris Brown

LIVE SIMPLY THOUGHT OF THE WEEK The theme for this year's Season of Creation "Let Justice and Peace Flow" Let us pray:

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

CAFOD's FAMILY FAST DAY IS ON FRIDAY 6th October 2023

Harvest Family Fast Day envelopes will be handed this weekend at each of our churches.

CAFOD's local experts in East Africa have been working to help families survive food shortages and severe drought. Your donations will mean our local experts can deliver emergency food and water—and cover the school fees and school meals for vulnerable families—so that children can hope for a better future. Please return your Family Fast Day envelope next weekend. Thank you



RED BOX COLLECTION APF MISSIONS CLITHEROE AND SABDEN

Could collectors and anybody wishing to have their box emptied please hand their donations in at the Presbytery by the end of September. Sabden parishioners should hand their box to Fr Paul at Sunday Mass.

PAUSE FOR HOPE SERVICE 15th October at 3pm in St Michael & St John's. This will be the 4th event since we began in 2017. This service is to encourage prayer that the day will quickly come when all cancers can be prevented or cured. To bring together in prayer those affected by all forms of cancer, their loved ones and carers. To reach out to those who are at home or in hospital as patients or carers and unable to attend the Pause for Hope service. This service is open to all denominations and faiths as well as those of little or no faith.

HOPE IN THE FUTURE—CELEBRATION EVENT 'The Edge Arena, Riverside, Wigan WN3 5AB Tuesday 3rd October 6.30-9pm This event will include inspiring talks from Bishop John and lay missionary Pippa Baker, music from One Hop Project, opportunities for small-group discussions and idea sharing and a quiet time of prayer led by Bishop John. The event is free of charge open to all!. The event is ideal for those who have been involved in Hope in the Future in their parish, deanery or school, those who would like to learn more about it or begin their own journey, and for individuals seeking to grow as Missionary Disciples. Free parking available and venue is near to train stations and bus stops.

FOOD BANK are in need of— Instant Mash, Tinned Tomatoes, Long Life Fruit Juice, Jam, Toilet Rolls, Washing up Liquid, Ketchup/Brown Sauce, Laundry powder/Gel, Cleaning Sprays, Deodorant (Female)

CLITHEROE

SEEDLINGS PLAYGROUP Wednesday 9.15-11am. We invite children 0-4 years and their parent/carer to join us for a morning of toys, craft, song time and snack

LADIES GROUP COMMITTEE meeting Monday 2nd October 1.30pm

LITTLE CHURCH takes place Sunday mornings in the presbytery. Aimed at school years reception 1 & 2. Come at 9.20am via church.

GARDENING PROJECT We will be continuing with the dead hedging and other gardening jobs on Monday 2 October (4-6pm) and Saturday 28 October (10-12). Come and join in even for an hour. All welcome!

CLITHEROE CIVIC SOCIETY Monday October 2nd in the Assembly Hall (St Michael & St John's Parish Hall) at 7.30pm. This month local Family History Researcher Kate Hurst presents "The Stories The Could Tell: A few historic Buildings in Clitheroe. Please see poster in porch

LAST WEEKS FUN DAY A big 'thank you' to all who attended our Parish & School Fun Day last Saturday and made it a great success. And 'thank you' to so many who gave of their time and talents to bring us together and create a lovely atmosphere of community and enjoyment. The event also raised about £750 which will be used by the school PTA and will include a donation to the Parish Ladies Group nominated charity, Crossroads Care.

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL Congratulations to all the staff, pupils and the Headteacher, Mrs Mabbott on the outcome of the recent Ofsted inspection and SATS results. Ofsted reports that SSMJ is a 'Good' school in all areas. The inspectors found that the School 'is a welcoming place to be. Pupils are friendly and respectful. They are willing and keen to celebrate others for who they are and who they wish to be. Pupils said that they feel cared for and safe'. The academic performance is reflected in the excellent SATS results that can be seen in full at <https://www.ssmj.lancs.sch.uk/school-performance/> There will be an Open Day Event at the school on Wednesday 4th October at 9.15am. To register your attendance, please contact the school office on 01200 422560 or email to bursar@ssmj.lancs.sch.uk. Separate appointments may be arranged if this is not convenient.

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

LITTLE CHURCH

Needs more volunteers
1 week in 4 to help our
KS1 children explore
the weeks gospel.

Contact Kay Curphey

ROTA'S NEXT WEEKEND

Readers—Saturday—Malcolm Peplow

Sunday—Liz Cullen

Eucharistic Min

Sat—Michael Fox **Sun—**Peter Donnelly

Tea & Coffee—Liz Cullen & P Ryan

Little Church—Kay, Susan & Jo