

CAROLS AT THE CASTLE Saturday 2nd December at 4.30pm on the Bandstand. This year many of the usual volunteers are unable to help so we are really hoping to get some new ones. If you would like to help add your name to the volunteers list in the porch

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

PLAYGROUP in Dunsop Bridge Village Hall on Wednesday mornings 9.30—11.30am term times only (some holiday sessions) contact Laura 07790 516260

KEEPING FIT WITH MATT Thurs & Fri email mdfitnesscoach@outlook.com

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Bingo & Social night Monday 4th December in Newton Village Hall. More details later. Donations of Bingo and Raffle Prizes will be gratefully accepted. Please see the lists in the porch.

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 32 Monica Clarkson

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.

CAFOD Fairtrade goods will be on sale during our coffee morning after Mass today Sun 19th and next week Sunday 26th November. Come along and see what we have.

VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE which St Mary's is hosting Sun December 17 at 4pm and extra special by holding it outdoors, or indoors if weather is bad, followed by hot drinks, mulled wine and mince pies in the Hall. If anyone can help with refreshments or donate mince pies or mulled wine please see Damian Buggie or Margaret Parsons.

CHRISTMAS MARKET Saturday December 2nd in the courtyard at Union Mill, off Watt Street from 1pm—8pm. All proceeds go back into the Sabden community. The event features lots of festive gift stalls, music and entertainment, Father Christmas in his grotto and refreshments. The Knit and Natter group from St Mary's will have a stall and the adults and children's choirs which meet at St Mary's will be singing carols at 2.30pm.

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

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33rd Week in Ordinary Time 19th November 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—Friday

Mass at 10am (Clitheroe)

Holy Souls Mass on Tuesday will be offered for all those whose names are placed in the box left in front of the altar.

Saturday (25th November)

Confessions 10.15—10.45am & 4.15pm—4.45pm

Welcome to Rev Dr. Judith Clark who is being inducted as Vicar of St Mary Magdalene at 7pm this evening (Sunday 19th).

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Holy Souls x 3, Special Intention x 5, Joseph Fullalove, Frank Wrigley, Nora Hart, Margaret McCartney, Cliff Astin

ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph Fullalove, Frank Wrigley, John Brown, Nora Hart, Margaret McCartney, Cliff Astin

Baptisms by appointment with Fr Paul

LIVE SIMPLY Thought of the Week Production still accounts for the majority of a food's environmental impact—not transport. Beef production has a large carbon footprint—even if it's produced locally. When going through your shopping list use this link <https://shelterbox.org/news/blog/7-simple-ways-to-lead-a-sustainable-life> to find out the environmental impact of common food products. Also to cut down your food related carbon footprint eat seasonably and buy locally-produced food.

PASTORAL VISIT OF THE APOSTOLIC NUNCIO The Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, will make a pastoral visit to Salford Diocese on 29th -30th November. As part of his visit, he will celebrate Mass at St Patrick's, Collyhurst, on Thursday 30th November at 6.30pm. All are welcome to attend this Mass

PARISH FORUM will be held this Wednesday 22 November at 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall (Parish Hall). Tea & biscuits will be served from 7pm. The future of the Forum will be discussed. If you wish these meetings to continue please attend as we shall be voting on the matter. If the Forum is to continue then a new Chair person will need to be voted in. Remember it is your Parish and its future that will be discussed.

LAUDATO SI' MEETING/GARDENING DATES The next Laudate Si' meeting will be on Monday 18 December at 3.30pm in SMSJ school. The next gardening activities will be on Saturday 2 December at 10am (in the school & church gardens). Refreshments provided and all are welcome.

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION Each Wednesday during Advent there's an opportunity to reflect on the Sunday Gospel starting on 29th November at 1.30pm in the presbytery. Through a period of quiet contemplation we can consider what the reading is saying to us today. Refreshments afterwards. All are very welcome. No need to book in advance, just come along. Any queries to Liz Cullen 07814 460574

WRAP UP EAST LANCASHIRE has once again been a highly successful campaign donating a fabulous 1735 coats, approx. 350 more than last year. In addition this year we had a number brand new coats donated. By the end of this week all these coats will have been distributed to 14 different charities. Thank to all parishioners who donated garments. Also thank you for continuing to donate blister packs via the Rose & Crown, these are processed with funds generated, going to support Myeloma UK. Please note **FOODBANK** currently in need of Long life juice, Instant mash, Tinned tomatoes, Toilet rolls, Washing up liquid, Ketchup/Brown sauce, Laundry powder/liquid, Cleaning spray, Jam, Sponge puddings, Chocolate, Female deodorant, Baby wipes/nappies

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Due to the closure of Barclays Bank and limitations on cash payments at the post office, dealing with cash in the parish has become more difficult in terms of security and handling. Please consider moving to a system on Monthly Standing Order via your bank if you can possible do so. It is safe, secure and totally flexible. Forms are at the back of church and if in need of assistance, please contact Janet in the parish office.

APF (RED BOXES) MISSIONS The last collection totalled £369.08. Many thanks **WHALLEY & DIST FLOWER CLUB** meeting Thursday 7 December at 2pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Sabden when Wendy Gravestone will demonstrate different designs for Christmas etc. Admission for visitors £8 includes festive refreshments.

CLITHEROE

SEEDLINGS PLAYGROUP Wed 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

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

ROSSENDALE MALE VOICE CHOIR with special guests Courtney Frances and the SMSJ Primary School Choir Sunday 26th November in Church at 2pm. Tickets £Adult £10, Family ticket 2 child(ren) £20 available from Daphne 427912, Carol 426769, Janet 423307 ext 3. Proceeds for Ribble Valley Crossroads Care. You are most welcome.

LADIES GROUP COACH TRIP to (Ripley Castle Christmas Fair at Harrogate) Thurs 30 Nov. **Leave Interchange 9.15am—NOTE CHANGE OF TIME** and return to Clitheroe by 4pm Some seats left on the coach, cost £17 but pay on the door on the day for the event. To book ring Janet on 07866 898109. Payment for the trip is now being taken.

LADIES GROUP MEETING Wednesday 29 November 7.30pm in the Assembly Hall. Accrington Pipe Band, a talk about the oldest civilian Pipe Band. There will be a White Elephant stall and Jewellery stall plus a glass of mulled wine and mince pie or cuppa and biscuit only £3. Come along and join us you will be most welcome.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY The Annual Christmas Quiz held in the Assembly Hall (SMSJ) Parish Hall will be on Wed 27 December. More details later

TURRET HOUSE OF PRAYER—EDISFORD ROAD Please see poster in porch for details of their programme.

NOVEMBER PRAYER THEME This month we pray for the strength to be a neighbour to Palestine and Israel. See copy in porch and also on the Love Clitheroe website <https://www.loveclitheroe.com/prayer-for-our-town>.

INVITATION From SMSJ School—please come and help the children at 3.15pm (after school) this coming Thursday 23 November and 30 November to make Mary, Joseph, a shepherd and a sheep for the Nativity scene using paper mache. The more hands on deck the better.

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Christmas Cards and Gifts now on sale in the side porch

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**

ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND

Readers

Saturday—Vincent Murray **Sunday**—Liz Cullen

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday—Bernadette Worden

Sunday—Peter Donnelly

Tea & Coffee—J.Smyth

Little Church—Catherine & Paul