

STAY AND PLAY Every Friday at Thorneyholme Primary School we have a 'Stay and Play' session. These are 9.30—10.45am and are for 0-5year olds to attend along with their parent/carer. A session costs £3 and they get to spend time in the Infant Classroom playing alongside our Nursery and Reception pupils and they often play a game, make a craft, sing, listen to a story etc. Refreshments are provided and there is no need to book

SABDEN

THANKYOU St Mary's would like to thank the Sabden Collective team who organised last year's Christmas Market for a £100 donation from the money raised. Five other local organisations, including St Mary's School also received donations.

CHOIR The Sabden adult choir meets every Tuesday from 6pm-7pm in our hall and is open to anyone who wants to go along and have a sing. No experience or musical knowledge is required. It costs £4 a session. Just go along any Tuesday or call Annie on 07710 248458 for more details.

EXERCISES An exercise class for the over 50's takes place every Tuesday morning from 10-11am in our hall, run by Ribble Valley Council's Let's Live Life team. It costs £3.50 a session.

PANTO RAFFLE Thank you to all those who donated prizes bought raffle tickets during the recent Cinderella pantomime in St Mary's. As a result £820 was raised for Parkinson's UK

BONUS BALL Winning number 43—Christine Potter

TODDLER GROUP There is a baby and toddler group every Wednesday morning in school term time in our hall, run by the ladies of the Branching Out children's nursery. All parents/carers and pre-school children are welcome any Wednesday from 9-11am. Adults can enjoy tea and toast while the children play.

CAFOD Big Lent Walk—today Sunday (17th after Mass). Meet outside the church after Mass and Anthony Brown will lead you on a short walk with pauses for prayer and reflection which will leave plenty of time to enjoy coffee in the Hall. It might be short for us but lots of people everywhere make it BIG. Donations please for CAFOD. All welcome, come and join us.

*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*

EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm - Clitheroe

Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm—Clitheroe

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil at 5pm—Clitheroe

Easter Sunday Morning Masses

8am—Dunsop Bridge 9.30am—Clitheroe 11am—Sabden

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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Fifth Sunday of Lent - 17th March 2024

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Saturday

12noon - Mass at Dunsop Bridge

5pm—Mass at Clitheroe

Sunday

9.30am—Mass at Clitheroe

11am—Mass at Sabden



Masses this coming week

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

Mass at 10am—Clitheroe

Wednesday Mass at 7pm (Sabden)

Friday - Funeral Service Barbara Goldsmith 12noon

Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

Saturday 23rd March

Confessions 10.15am—10.45am & 4.15pm—4.45pm

If at all possible, then do try and join us for Mass on weekdays during Lent. The prayers and the readings are given to us so as to help us on our Lenten journey.

First Confessions—We keep in prayer our children who will be making their First Reconciliation this week

Baptisms by appointment with Fr Paul

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Mr & Mrs A.S.Hargreaves, Laura Hargreaves, Laudy Madi, Special Intentions x 3, Ann Fox, Michael Wilson x 2, Mary Quinn, Holy Souls, Pat O'Donnell x 2, Finuala Filbin

LATELY DEAD

Michael Wilson, Mary Quinn, Pat O'Donnell

ANNIVERSARIES

Laura Hargreaves, Finuala Filbin,

GIFT AID ENVELOPES Janet is issuing new Gift Aid Envelopes at weekend masses for 2024-2025 which commence on Sunday April 7th. This is an ideal time to change from weekly envelopes to monthly standing order. If you wish to change please give Janet a ring at the Parish Office 01200 423307 ext 3 or 07866 898109. Thankyou

LENT GOSPEL REFLECTION : Friday lunchtimes A big welcome to everyone each Friday during Lent at 1.30pm in the presbytery) an opportunity to read and quietly reflect on the Sunday Gospel, followed by tea and biscuits. No need to book, just turn up and see if this helps your Lenten preparation for Easter. queries 07814 460574

CLITHEROE CHRISTIANS IN PARTNERSHIP (CCP) Bereavement Support Group—Monthly Meetings Every first Tuesday of the month 2pm at Trinity Methodist Church and Community Hub. More information tel 01200 429346

NEW SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Sion Hall is the new officer. Any safeguarding concerns can be reported in confidence to him or to Fr Paul (Contact details at the top of the Newsletter). He will be getting in touch with many of the Parish groups to assist with any DBS checks that may be required.

WALSINGHAM The Annual Salford Diocesan Saturday 4th May. A choice of going on the day OR go on Friday 3rd, stay overnight and return Saturday. Booking forms available from Janet the Parish Secretary. Tel Janet 01200 423307 ext 3 or leave a message.

CLITHEROE

SEEDLINGS PLAYGROUP Wednesday mornings 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.

LENT CLUB every Thursday during Lent over in school 8.15—8.45am, focusing on different activities and scripture relating to Lent. We will begin with our school morning offering and the Lord's prayer and start our day with the Mission Together Lenten Calendar. Each week will have a different focus. **All parishioners welcome to come along and join us.** See church porch for Lenten Calendar

CCP CLITHEROE CHURCHES IN PARTNERSHIP Trinity Church Drama Group will present a one act play for Easter 'The Seeker' by Stephen Phifer a play in one act. The Seeker is a journalist investigating the Jesus Story - 7.30pm Wednesday 27th March at Trinity Church & Community Hub, Wesleyan Row, Parson Lane, Clitheroe BB7 2JY followed by refreshments. Admission is free—no booking required.

TRINITY METHODIST HUB Regular events take place at Trinity Methodist Hub which may be of interest to some of our parishioners. Details of them including a Parkinson's and MS Drop in Café and a Youth Group can be found on the posters in the church porch.

LADIES GROUP 'The Well Mannered Feather Legged Assassin Bug and other from the front line of Conservation Science' speaker Andrew Donnelly Wed 27th March at 7.30pm in The Assembly Hall (SMSJ Parish Hall) £3 incl light refreshments. Open to everyone

GREAT COMPOSERS OF MOVIE MUSIC Saturday 23rd March Live music with Championship Milnrow Band will accompany extracts from popular film sequences. Tickets £10 for this Magical evening in The Assembly Hall (SMSJ Parish Hall) Tickets £10. To reserve your seat call 01254 384893 or email info@ribblevalleymusic.co.uk

TEA DANCE Wednesday 20th March 2-4.30pm in the Assembly Hall. Tea, cakes and scones and a lovely afternoon with dancing and good company all for £5. Please come along.

TWO DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (Ladies Group) Wednesday 10th April an Afternoon Variety Concert in the Assembly Hall and to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D Day landings another Afternoon Concert on Sunday 2nd June. More details later

CCP PRAYER THEME FOR MARCH Mel and Mandy (Charis Ministries Africa) who are based at Turret House. <https://www.loveclitheroe.com/prayer-for-our-town> see poster in porch. Also help with the distribution (week comm 11 March) of Hope Magazines would be appreciated. Contact Andrew Piercy 01200 429095 email piercyfamily1987@hotmail.co.uk for more details.

RED BOXES are being collected. Anyone who doesn't have a collector calling please bring your box into the Presbytery or see Janet Hall or Sion at Mass.

CAFOD BIG LENT WALK: Today Sunday (17th). After Mass meet in the SSMJ car park behind the Parish Hall for a 10 minute walk with pauses for prayer and reflection around the church and school garden. Tea and cakes afterwards in the hall. Donations please for CAFOD. All welcome, come and join us.

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

ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Readers Saturday—Malcolm Peplow **Sunday**—Kevin Downes
Eucharistic Ministers - Saturday—Bernadette Worden **Sunday**—Janet Hall
Tea & Coffee—J.Stuttard

DUNSOP BRIDGE

PILATE SESSIONS Mon evening 6-7pm. More Info 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

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