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

DUNSOP BRIDGE

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

PILATE SESSIONS Mon evening 6-7pm.

More Info Christine Billington992@gmail.com

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

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 to come along for a natter/knit/stitch or just come for a chat

BONUS BALL Winning number 46

ONE VOICE Wednesday night musical theatre group. 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

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 onevoicesabden@gmail.com

BABY & TODDLER GROUP St Mary's Hall 9-11am every Wednesday. All families welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Cards and gifts are now on sale.

FLOWER DEMONSTRATION Whalley & District Flower Club are having an afternoon flower arranging demonstration at St Mary's Hall, Sabden on Thursday 11th May. This event commences at 2pm, admission is £7 and includes Tea and cake. All flower arrangements will be raffled.

Next weekend:

There will be a retiring collection as you leave church for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund.

Parish of Our Lady of the Valley

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Fourth Week of Easter—30 April 2023

MASSES THIS WEEKEND Saturday

12noon—Mass at Dunsop Bridge 5pm—Mass at Clitheroe

Sunday

9.30am—Mass at Clitheroe



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Mass at 10am in Clitheroe
Wednesday

Eucharistic Service at 10am in Clitheroe

Saturday (6th May) Confessions

4.15pm—4.45pm

Please note: there will be no 12noon Mass at Dunsop Bridge

Baptism's by appointment with Fr Paul

May is 'The month of Mary', so do try and pray at least one decade of the rosary each day

Today—We welcome Theo Sharrock, one of our diocesan seminarians, who will be sharing a few thoughts with us at both our morning Masses

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Margaret Donnelly, Vicente & Vincent Calegan, Norman Berry, Holy Souls, Special Intention

ANNIVERSARIES

Margaret Donnelly, Vicente & Vincent Calegan, Norman Berry

<u>38TH DIOCESAN SYNOD</u>: Bishop John has convoked a Diocesan Synod to run alongside the remaining elements of the Universal Synod called by Pope Francis. We are still looking for two parishioners who would be prepared to represent our parish at this Synod. Please contact Fr Paul if you would consider representing us.

COLLECTION Thank you for your generosity in last weeks Collection of £1088.65 (this figure does not include standing orders).

LIVE SIMPLY THOUGHT OF THE WEEK Plantlife's #NoMowMay is back, blooming better than ever! Please join the No Mow My movement and liberate your lawn starting on the 1 May 2023. (https://www.plantlife.org.uk/campaigns/nomowmay). Free the wildflowers in your lawn so they can grow wild and provide a feast for pollinators, tackle pollution, and lock away atmospheric carbon below ground.

<u>CAFOD</u> For generations, small-scale farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds. The freedom of farmers to choose what seeds they use is under threat as the World Bank supports new laws which push farmers towards using seeds sold by big agribusiness. This puts control of the world's seeds into the hands of a few giant corporations. If we want a sustainable food system, then we must stand with small farmers across the world as they fight for control over their seeds. Please use this link to email the World Bank: https://cafod.org.uk/campaign

<u>CAFOD LENT APPEAL</u> raised £1307.56. May thanks for your support. <u>RIBBLE VALLEY FOODBANK</u> This week, we are short of: custard, deodorants (male/female), razors, long-life milk, sponge puddings, sugar, tinned fruit, toilet rolls, tomato ketchup/brown sauce/mayonnaise, washing-up liquid, washing powder/liquid/tablets. Thank you for your continued generosity.

<u>MUSIC MAN—CLITHEROE</u> at Clitheroe Salvation Army, Lowergate, Clitheroe. Music workshops for adults and young people with disabilities. Starting Tuesday 9th May 10.30am—12noon. Come along to sing and play instruments. More details on poster in porch

MASS FOR VOCATIONS A Deanery Mass at St Mary's, Bamber Bridge, on Thursday 25th May at 7pm. All welcome

RIGHT TO LIFE ANNUAL WALK This year will start from Theodore House at Stonyhurst on Bank Holiday Monday, May 8th at 2pm. There are more details on the poster in the porch. If you would like a sponsorship form or make a donation to this cause please see Arnold Marsden or ring him on 01200 427096.

<u>MASS OF HEALING</u> Sunday 4th June at 2pm in the Parish Social Centre. If anyone wishes to come, we would be delighted to see you. If you would like to come or know someone who would, please complete one of the forms at the back of church and post it in the box provided at each church by 21st May. This information is needed for transport arrangements and catering. Refreshments will be served after Mass. Thankyou

STANDING ORDER AND GIFT AID APPEAL Following the appeal a few weeks ago just a reminder that those who took a Gift Aid Declaration form to return them to the presbytery as soon as possible, or just pop them in the envelope provided on the offertory plate at Mass. It's still not too late for those parishioners who wish to change from weekly envelopes or loose cash to monthly standing orders, the appropriate forms are available from the back of church for you to complete and send to your bank.

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES</u> Anyone interested on this year's pilgrimage please ring Tony Peers on 07712 875794

CLITHEROE

APF MISSION (RED BOXES) can be dropped off at the Presbytery. Also would anyone be willing to take on the role of Treasurer, which would mean counting and banking the money from the boxes. Please contact either Sion or Janet Hall on 01200 428949. The Collection total for this quarter amounted to £425.00. Many thanks.

LADIES GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday 2nd May 1.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Cards and gifts are now on sale from the side porch.

LITTLE CHURCH meets in the presbytery on Sundays at 9.20am. This is an opportunity for our children, reception, yr 1 and yr 2, to meet together and look at the Sunday gospel through the eyes of a child

ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND

Readers—Saturday—Malcolm Peplow, Sunday—Neil Wallace
Eucharistic Ministers— Saturday—Alison Rowley
Sunday—Peter Sutcliffe
Tea & Coffee—Liz Curphey & Margaret Geddes
Little Church—Katherine & Paul