

DUNSOP BRIDGE

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 MAT Thurs & Fri email mdfitnesscoach@outlook.com

BINGO & SOCIAL NIGHT with Christmas Raffle draw. Join us for a fun-filled evening at **Newton Village Hall on Monday 8th December**, where we'll be hosting our Bingo & Social Night alongside the much-anticipated Christmas Raffle Draw in support of St Hubert's, Our Lady of the Valley Parish. Doors open **6.45pm** with **"eyes"down" at 7.30pm**. Come along for a great night of entertainment, prizes, and community spirit—all are very welcome. Donations of prizes would be very much appreciated. There is a list at the back of church. Please hand your prizes to Julie Bennett or Janet Wells before 6th December or drop them off with Audrey Spencer at Valley Living, Market Place, Clitheroe before this date! Thank you, your generosity helps to generate more proceeds towards our church funds,

SABDEN

EXERCISE CLASS This takes place for the over 50's every Tuesday morning in our hall from 10.30-11.30am, led by Tracy Belko from Ribble Valley Up and Active. £3.20 a session—just turn up and join in.

SCRABBLE Scrabble evenings in the hall are on the second and fourth Tuesday each month. £1 admission for three games of Scrabble and tea and biscuits. Everyone welcome. If you've never played come and have a go.

CHOIR Sabden Community Choir meets in the hall each Tuesday from 6pm 7pm. It's a very friendly group and everyone is welcome £4 a session.

BONUS BALL Winning number of the Bonus Ball 25 James Doyle

WRAP AROUND SCHOOL CLUB The before and after school club run by the Branching Out Nursery is now up and running in our hall from Monday afternoons to Friday mornings in term time. It is a great service for the two village primary schools with lots of activities to keep the children occupied. To learn more call Gemma on 07708 610261

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL St Mary's is sponsoring a tree in the Christmas Tree Festival being held at St Nicholas' Church during December and needs volunteers to decorate it. The theme will be "Joy to the World", if you enjoy tree decorating and have any ideas to make it special **WE NEED YOU**. See Deacon Damian S.A.P. for more details.

CAROL SERVICE The annual Village Carol Service organised by Churches Together in Sabden will be held at St Mary' (outside if weather permitting) Sunday December 14th at 4pm. Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards so if anyone would like to donate mince pies or mulled wine, please leave them at the back of church any Sunday. Volunteers to help in the kitchen on the day would also be welcome.

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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1st Sunday of Advent—30th November 2025



SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

9.30am—Mass at Clitheroe
11am—Mass at Sabden

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

The school will join us for Mass on Thursday

Tuesday—Funeral Service for Anne Livesey at 11am

Wednesday—Eucharistic Service at 10am

Saturday 6th December

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

12noon Mass at Dunsop 5pm—Mass at Clitheroe

Do try and join us for the 10am weekday Mass during this time of Advent

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve—4pm Clitheroe, 6.30pm Sabden

Christmas Day—8am Dunsop Bridge, 10am Clitheroe

Baptism's by appointment with Fr Paul

MASSES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

Jamie Gruszka, Joseph Lofthouse, Special Intention x3, Anne Livesey,
Maureen Fallon, Maralyn Holt, Ashfield Batts
LATELY DEAD—Anne Livesey, Marion Novak
ANNIVERSARIES - Jamie Gruszka, Ashfield Batts

CHANGE OF ADDRESS Please let us know if you have changed address/telephone number etc either by letter, email or telephone so that we can update our records. Email janet.clegg@dioceseofsalford.org.uk or mobile 07866 898109

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Monday 29th December Annual Christmas Quiz—details later

CAFOD CAFOD'S WORLD GIFTS Christmas Gifts that bring us together FREE Catalogue available in our three churches. In Clitheroe on the CAFOD notice board in the Church porch. Thank you for your support.

FREE XMAS MEAL The proprietor of Gio's Deli, 3 New Market St, Clitheroe is offering a free Christmas Day meal and drinks package to run between 11.30am—3.30pm for anyone who expects to be along on Christmas Day. Assistance with transport can be considered. If you wish to nominate any individual please supply the name and phone/email contact information for the candidate. Replies to Howard Riley 07881 617262

ST AUGUSTINES CAROL SERVICE Monday 8th December at 7pm. Carol Service and Seasonal Refreshments. Cash or Card—£3 adults, £2 concessions. Proceeds to CAFOD

BAPTISM Last Saturday we welcomed Axel James Hunt and Navey Jane Hunt into God's family in Clitheroe.

Unfortunately the Christmas Card order has not arrived. We still have a few cards left over from last year which are at the back of church. Hopefully new ones should be on sale next week.

CLITHEROE

JOY TO THE WORLD Sunday 7th December 3pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Parson Lane BB7 2JY arranged by Clitheroe Christians in Partnership. The concert celebrating Christmas will include music, poems and dramas, including items for the audience and recall important events in 2025. The concert will end around 4.15pm and be followed with mince pies and hot drinks. Admission free and there will be a retiring collection for Christian Aid.

COULD YOU HELP SANTA? Every year, Clitheroe Rotary Club take 'Santa' around the town to bring festive joy to young and old alike. This operation takes place each weekday evening from 8th—19th December. The organisers rely on the generosity of Clitheroe residents to fill the collection buckets so they can make donations to worthy causes in our area. Many of the helpers are now well into their 70's and some even older, and could do with a little help from a few younger volunteers. If you are over 18 and able to spend two or three hours in an evening and are capable of walking with Santa and the other helpers, whilst carrying a collection bucket, you would be most welcome. Please ring 07583 185701 for further details.

A GRAND CHRISTMAS The Grand Choir, including several parishioners, present this Annual Christmas Concert celebrating the TRUE Christmas meaning Sunday 14th December 4.30pm. Doors open 4pm. Tickets £8 ONLINE www.thegrandvenue.co.uk or reception Monday & Tuesday 5pm—8pm

THANKYOU A big thankyou from the Ladies Group. The poetry reading by Leslie Livesey was a great success and raised £196.54 for our Charity Carers Link and Church Building Fund, and the jewellery stall that raised £72.10. Fr Paul also attended and was given a cheque for £3,000 for the Parish from the Ladies Group. The next Ladies Group event is our Christmas Dinner which will be at the Calf's Head in Worston on 16th January - see Janet for details.

SLAIDBURN BAND Annual Carol Concert in the Assembly Hall Thursday 11th December. For details contact Vicky at the Assembly Rooms

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE organised by Clitheroe Christians in Partnership will be at St Paul's, Low Moor 6.30pm TODAY Sunday November 30th. Please do come along to join with our neighbouring churches in a service (approx. 45mins) of carols and readings to celebrate the beginning of Advent. Refreshments afterwards and a chance to chat.

CHRISTMAS MINUS ONE a reflective service for those who are processing bereavement. Whether your loss is recent or not, Christmas can be a difficult time. Please join us at St James' Church, Clitheroe at 4pm on Saturday 6th December. Everyone welcome.

CAFOD/LAUDATE GROUP Join us to make Christmas table decorations with SSMJ Reception class children on Mon 15 Dec from 10am-11am. Last year it was wreath making. Enjoy sitting with and chatting to the children as you work together, it also provides an important opportunity to build parish/school community. We need about 10 parishioners. If interested contact Betty Collinson 01200 427029 or Liz Cullen 07814 460574

CLITJHEROE CIVIC SOCIETY Monday 1st December in the Assembly Hall. A presentation with Nick Burton "Wainwright in Bowland and The Ribble Valley", An exploration of the Lancashire ramblings, excursions and sketches of the author and fell walker, Alfred Wainwright. £4 admission including Tea or Coffee and mince pies.

NEW PARISHIONERS New to the Parish, then please complete one of the forms available at the back of church, place it in the box provided and contact will be made. Why not join us for Coffee after Mass in our Parish Centre, you will be most welcome.

ROTAS NEXT WEEKEND

Readers: Saturday - Ann Southworth Sunday Carol Riley
Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday - Damian Buggie Sunday—Damian Buggie
TEA & COFFEE—Grace Fellows

*Join us after Mass in the Assembly Hall (our Parish Hall)
for Tea, Coffee and Biscuits. You will be made most welcome.*

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