

**St Mary and St Michael's Catholic Church
Garstang and Calder Vale
and**

Sts Mary & James, Scorton

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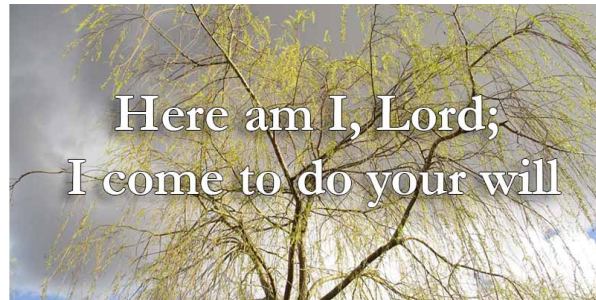
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30th September / 1st October 2017

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)



New items and information

Monthly Coffee Morning – As ever, we will be having our Monthly Coffee Morning in the Plessington Chapel, on 4th October (next Wednesday) from 10 am – 12 noon. The difference this time, is that money raised will be going to support the Macmillan Cancer Care. There will be a cake stall, a produce stall and a raffle. All contributions will be gratefully accepted. Please come along and have fun while supporting an extremely worthwhile cause.

SVP Awareness Month – This marks the anniversary of the death of St Vincent de Paul on 27th September 1660. Seeking to carry on his work, SS Mary & Michael's SVP Conference meets monthly, usually on a Tuesday evening. Please do read about our work in the accompanying annual report. We would like to extend the range of our work and would welcome enquiries about membership. If you would like to learn more, do come to one of our meetings, or contact Helen Forshaw on 01995 603944 (hm.forshaw@btinternet.com). Sincere thanks for the support given to the SVP by parishioners.

Many thanks to everyone who organised and those who supported the Bluebell Teas at Calder Vale this summer. As a result, a wonderful £100 was donated to SS Mary & Michael's church.

Macmillan Coffee Morning at the Kenlis Arms – Thank you so much to Alice and Andrea for organising the Macmillan Coffee morning at the Kenlis, and to everyone who contributed in so many ways, and, of course, to everyone who came and *spent money!* A magnificent £2,000 has been banked for Macmillan funds.

Traidcraft Orders – Many thanks to those who have already ordered from the catalogue which raises funds for Chivuna. The final date for orders will be Sunday 15th October. Throughout the year, please also keep in mind The Mustard Seed (next to the Methodist Church and tearoom) selling fairly traded items, as they seem quiet recently. *Thank you. Helen Spencer.*

St Thomas the Apostle Autumn Fair – Enjoy a family afternoon at Claughton! On **Sunday, 8th October, from 2 – 4 pm**, an Autumn Fair will be held at Claughton Memorial Hall. Entrance is free; there will be teas, a wide range of local produce, vegetables, plants, jams, chutneys, cake stall, second-hand toys, raffle, face painting, children's tombola, biscuit decorating, art and craft displays. All profits go to St Thomas the Apostle; please come along and support us.

Prayers for those who are sick – The list in our newsletter keeps getting longer and longer; some names have been on for many years, and we have no idea what has happened to them. As from **1st November** we will be starting again. *If you want names leaving on, or adding to the list, please will you write them down and hand them to Father Tom, D'arcy or Liz, or send in by email.*

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) An evening of talks on the persecuted Church – Please join the Catholic Charity ACN at the Catholic Chaplaincy, Lancaster University for an evening of talks given by Bishop Matthew Kukah (Diocese of Sokoto, Nigeria), Father Salar Bodagh (Diocese of Alqosh, Iraq), Stephen Rasche (Diocese of Erbil, Iraq). The talks will take place from 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm on Monday, 9th October. Please come along to learn about hopes for a brighter future for Christians in Nigeria and on Iraq's Nineveh Plains.

Cor et Lumen Christi – Fire and Light – Praise and worship, Eucharistic adoration and prayer ministry. Wednesday 4th October from 8 pm, Cor et Lumen Christi, St Cuthbert's, Wigton, CA7 9HU. For more information visit www.coretlumenchristi.org or email stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org or phone 01697 345 623, 07516 075 896.

Churches Together in Lancashire a service of commemoration and reflection on the 500th anniversary of the Reformation (1517 – 2017) at Blackburn Cathedral on Thursday 19th October at 2.00 pm. For further information, see poster at the back of church.

Please remember in your prayers Phoebe Jane Reid who is being baptised this Sunday after the 10.30 am Mass.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton: David Gornall, Eleanor Woodhams, Joseph Speight, Gerard Rigby, Mary Gertrude Green, Hannah Wheatley, Francis Eastham, William Greenall, Arthur Conlong, Gerald Whittaker, Hilda Redhead, John Towers, Jenny Jackson, Margaret McDonald, Edward Ross, Hugh Ferguson and Alan John Carter. *May they rest in peace.*

We ask the Lord to encourage and give health to our sick and disabled parishioners, families and friends in Scorton and Garstang, including: Fr Jerome Ainsworth, Anne Miller, Wayne Martin, Alan Lowe, Christine Cobane, Florence Burgess, Phoebe, Simon Crossley, Matthew Pearson, Martina Cople, Simone and Nigel Lord, Winifred McNulty, Josh Drinkall, Emma Loomes,

Kathleen Murphy, Ros Drake, Fr Joe Duggan SJ, Theresa Harrison, Margaret Hibberdine, Pat Nickson, Gerard Gough, Bob Cross, Jim Winstanley, Fiona Catterall, Rod Pearson, Marie Corrigan, Jean Parkinson, Ann Wicks, Ewan, Phillip, John Fairey, Pat Hickey, Sheila Murphy, Michael McCarthy (living in France), Dorothy Evans, Lucy and Family, Kathryn, Susanne, Jessica Holmes, Antonio Dilao, Bernadette O'Neill, John Ashcroft, Christine, Peter Holland, Ian Moran, Tony and David Winstanley, Alyson, Michael Hendry, Christopher Simpson, Auntie Sophie, Christopher Brown, Simon Thompson, Sheila Cookson, Francisca Rainford and Alison Green. (When people whose names are on this sick list have recovered their health, please let us know.)

Previously Published Items

Churches Together – Churches Together and other faith groups in Lancashire, in partnership with Lancashire Mind, are holding a series of events to explore mental health, and specifically how churches and other faith groups can promote mental health and wellbeing in their local communities. “With Faith in Mind” starts on Tuesday, 10th October, from 12 noon – 3 pm in St Thomas Garstang Parish Room. This meeting will have a rural and farming focus. Lunch is provided. There are further events on Thursday 12th October, at Burnley & Pendle Faith Centre (urban, young people and community focus); Friday 13th October at St Paul, North Shore, Blackpool (problems of addiction, poverty and social deprivation); Thursday 19th October at Central United Reformed Church, Darwen (asylum seekers and refugees focus). Lunch is provided at all the events, and they all take place between 12 noon and 3 pm. To book or for more information, contact Paul at paulsmalley@lancashiremind.org.uk or call 07964 083340. See poster at back of church.

SS Mary and Michael’s Primary School – A quiz night is being held to help raise money to buy a new PA system and stage lights for our school on **Friday, 10th November 2017, 6.45 for 7 pm start.** There will be a bar and snacks, children’s games, and cash prizes! £2 per adult (children free); maximum of 6 per team. *Please come and support them, while having fun!* See poster at the back of church.

“The Old Testament Prophets” – A series of talks will be delivered by Canon Luiz Ruscillo at the Education Centre on Tuesday evenings from 7 – 8 pm; the first is on 3rd October, followed by 10th, 17th October and 7th and 14th November. All welcome. Please bring your Bibles. See poster at the back of church.

Wednesday Word – There are copies of The Wednesday Word, on green paper, for the Mass of 8th October at the back of church; if you would like one, please help yourself.

Response to the psalm at the 10.30 am Mass:

Praying for a new Bishop of Lancaster: *Almighty God, Eternal shepherd and guide, in your love for us, grant to the Catholic Diocese of Lancaster a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ’s heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. Help him to fill our minds and hearts with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up your holy Church. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 30th September – Sunday 8th October 2017

Sat	30 th	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	William and Ellen Greenall
Sun	1 st Oct	8.30 am (Scorton)	Helen and Edward Brennan
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Gerald Whittaker
Mon	2 nd	}	
Tue	3 rd	}	
Wed	4 th	}	No Mass
Thurs	5 th	}	
Fri	6 th	}	
Sat	7 th	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Rev. John Horn (Birthday)
Sun	8 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	The Davis Family
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Michael O’Neill

Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Sat	7 th	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service
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Special Days this week:

Sun	1 st Oct	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mon	2 nd	The Holy Guardian Angels
Wed	4 th	St Francis of Assisi
Thurs	5 th	DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL
Fri	6 th	St Bruno (Priest) (Today is Harvest Fast Day)
Sat	7 th	Our Lady of the Rosary
Sun	8 th	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Meetings this Week:

Wed	4 th	7.30 pm (Garstang)	Choir Practice
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Last Week’s Attendance:

Sun	24 th	(Garstang)	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Adults: 138	Children: 9	Total: 147
			10.30 am	Adults: 98	Children: 20	Total: 118
		(Scorton)	8.30 am	Total: 58		Total: 265

Monies Received last week:

Garstang: Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £1,011.85; Funeral: £600. *Many thanks to you all.*

Scorton: Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £369; Votive lights: £9.37; Bishop’s Administration Fund: £40.54; Holy Souls: 50p; CAFOD: 61p. *Many thanks to you all.*

Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 07.45 am each Tuesday in September at St Thomas’ Church, and in October at Garstang Methodist Church.

Hymns at Vigil Mass (Garstang):

Ent.	731	Immortal, invisible
Gloria:	998	Salazar
G.A.:		Celtic
Off:	627	This is my body
Sanctus:	553	Celtic
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	940	Lord, for tomorrow and its needs

Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	772	Lord Jesus Christ
Gloria:	529	Celtic
G.A.:		Triple + Missal
Off:	605	Take our bread
S, M, D:	556, 557, 558	– Mass of Peace
A.D.:	592	
Com: 1)	910	Christ be beside me
2)	124	He became poor
Rec:	749	Servant King