

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

**Sts Mary & James, Scorton**

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**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (YEAR B)**



*“The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute.  
The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts.  
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.”*

**New items and information**

**A Message from Father Tom**

Many thanks for your kind cards, good wishes, gifts and Christmas offerings which I greatly appreciate.  
May God bless you all.

**Vin Cahill** has asked for a big “thank you” to be passed on to everyone who has been praying for him, sent messages of support and cards. He said he appreciates being part of such a caring parish; he is thinking of you all, and hopes to be back home soon.

**Fiona Catterall** continues to make slow progress. She is so grateful to you all for your prayers and concern for her, and for us. We, her family, will have a Mass said to give thanks and for your intentions. Thank you.

**Journey in Faith** – Our Journey in Faith resumes as from next Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 7.15pm for 7.30 pm start, in the Plessington Chapel. We are here to welcome anyone from Garstang, Scorton and the wider area, who may be interested in becoming a Catholic and who wants to find out more about the Catholic faith. If you know of anyone who may wish to come along, please let Fr Tom know, or one of the other core group members (Tony Backhouse, John Billington, Celia Horn and Elizabeth Horn). We meet each week whether or not we have enquirers, so that we are always available if anyone wishes to come forward. Please remember in your prayers those who may be thinking about taking such a step, and for the core group. *Thank you*

**Thank you from Apostleship of the Sea** – I have received an email from the Apostleship of the Sea chaplain in Hull, acknowledging receipt of the Christmas cards we sent for isolated and lonely seafarers, and thanking us for our support. *Helen Spencer.*

**Garstang Parish Draw** – Congratulations go to Bernie Murphy and David Corless for being our December winners, and Tony McManmon and Anne Miller for being our Christmas winners. Thank you for all your support with our Parish Draw; we’d like to wish you all Happy New Year. *Trish & Kev (01995 604292)*

**Hurrah! A UK Catholic Online Radio** is now available, broadcasting 24/7, in English, with Prayers, Reflections, Features and Music, plus 250+ live Masses weekly, from various churches around the United Kingdom and Ireland. Visit [www.heavensroadfm.com](http://www.heavensroadfm.com) to find out for yourselves. It’s proving a positive voice to promote our Catholic Faith! Showcasing Catholic talents and lots more!

**St Paul’s Sunday Missals** for 2018 – These are still available from the Church Shop, price £5 each.

**A ring was found in church** by the cleaners last autumn. If you lost a ring, please enquire at the presbytery, either to D’arcy or to Liz.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton:** Fr Arthur Speight, Sarah Ann Garvey, Eira Weaver, John Edwards, Annie Bisby, Mary Alexander Kenyon, Gerard Swarbrick, Vincent Parker, Stephen John O’Regan, Winifred Doyle, Mary Dickinson, Rev. Patrick Smyth, Christopher John Newman, John Finlay, Peter Winstanley, Jane Greenall, Beryle Bellamy, Marina Poulton, Monica Elder-Woodward, Teresa Fox, James Wilson, Rosemany Austin, Monica Jepson, Winifred Kavanagh, Paul Haslehurst and John Tully.

**We ask the Lord to encourage and give health to our sick and disabled parishioners, families and friends in Scorton and Garstang, including:** Christopher Macken, Seamus Martin, Pat Hill, Winifred McNulty, Joyce Bilsborrow, Joseph Nugent, Peter Holland, Kathryn, Ros Drake, Margaret Hibberdine, Tony McManmon, Vin Cahill, Anne Miller,

Simon Crossley, Alan Lowe, Father Jerome Ainsworth, Joan Place, Bob Cross, Martina Copple, Matthew Pearson, Jim Winstanley, John Fairey, Rod Pearson, Dorothy Evans, Christine Cobane, Philomena Morgan, Sheila Murphy, Florence Burgess, Ian Moran, David Winstanley, Pat Hickey, Simone & Nigel Lord, Pat Nickson, Marie Corrigan, Ewan, Francisca Rainford, Wayne Martin, Michael Hendry, Lucy and Family, Ann Wicks, Jessica Holmes (6 years old) and Phoebe (6 years old).

*(If you would like to add someone, please will you write down their name and hand it to Father Tom, D'arcy or Liz, or send in by email, and please let us know when a name is to be removed. Thank you.)*

### Previously Published Items

**Booklets for the Administration of Holy Communion to the Sick** – If you are an Extraordinary Minister who takes Holy Communion to the sick and housebound, and you would like one of these leaflets, they are in the Sacristy – ask Father Tom or D'arcy.

**Give for nothing!** – If you make online purchases, register with "Give As You Live" (there is an app), and any purchases made with a wide list of retailers generate a percentage for your chosen charity, at no extra cost to you, when you visit their website via Give As You Live. There are many charities to choose from e.g. HCPT, Aid to the Church in Need, Apostleship of the Sea, Christian Aid etc. Also if you are changing your car, and don't wish to trade the old one in, don't forget GiveaCar which donate the proceeds of scrappage/sale to your chosen charity.

**Lancaster Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage** – Preparations are well under way for next summer, and booking is now open for Young People. Travelling with the Youth Service is a great way for young people to get to know the story of Lourdes and grow in faith through service, prayer, catechesis and time spent with other young Catholics. Many young adults say that a pilgrimage to Lourdes was a turning point in their faith life. Our coach journey starts on 19<sup>th</sup> July, travelling directly to Lourdes where we will be staying in the 4-star hotel Eliseo. We will arrive home on the Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> July. Open to ages Year 10+, we are delighted to announce that the price has come down this year to £595. There are leaflets and booking forms at the back of church. For more information, to book online or to download booking form, please see <http://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/new-events/2017/9/19/lourdes-2018>.

**Wednesday Word** – There are copies of The Wednesday Word, on green paper, for the Mass of 14<sup>th</sup> January 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 6<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Sat	6 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Sheila Richardson (Anniversary)
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	All Our Parishioners
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Ethel Kenyon
Mon	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tue	9 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon (Scorton)	The Crumbleholme Family
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm (Garstang)	Mary Ellen McGeever
Thurs	11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Scorton)	The Layburn Family
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	Marina Poulton (9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	Vee and John's Intention
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Mary Agnes Ibison
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Johann Zmuda (Lately Dead)
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Emma Van Driel (ROS)

### Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	6.45 pm (Garstang)	Rosary
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Exposition
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service
		10 – 10.30 am	Confessions

### Special Days this week:

Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Mon	8 <sup>th</sup>	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	St Aelred of Rievaulx (Abbot)
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	St Kentigern (Bishop); St Hilary (Bishop)
Sun	14 <sup>th</sup>	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Day of Prayer for Peace)

### Meetings this Week:

Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Garstang)
Thurs	11 <sup>th</sup>	7.15 for 7.30 pm	Journey in Faith (Garstang)

### Last 3 Weeks' Attendance over the Christmas period (Garstang) (24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> December)

Adults: 997      Children: 188      Total: 1,185

### Monies Received over the last 2 weeks (not including Christmas Day)

**Garstang:** Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £2,228.23; Varia (Inc. £1,800 from A B Grace Trust): £2,564.20. *Many thanks to you all.*

**Scorton:** Offertory for 31.12.17 (Inc. Standing Orders): £118.70. *Many thanks to you all.*

### Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 07.45 am each Tuesday in January at St Thomas' Church.

### Hymns at Vigil Mass (Garstang):

Ent.	150	The first Nowell
Gloria:		
G.A.:		
Off:	144	In the bleak midwinter
Sanctus:	576	Schubert
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	170	We three Kings

### Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	150	The first Nowell
Gloria:	527	Duffy
G.A.:		Triple + Missal
Off:	167	Bethlehem! Of noblest cities
S.	553	New Celtic
M.	554c	
D.	555	
Com. 1)	166	As with gladness men of old
2)	698	Laudate Dominum
Rec.	170	We three kings