

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

Sts Mary & James, Scorton

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)



“Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.....anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”

New items and information

CAFOD Harvest Fast Envelopes – These will be collected this weekend.

St Vincent de Paul Society – Next weekend there will be a special collection for our SVP. Please be as generous as you are able.

Next Sunday is Prisoners' Sunday, the beginning of Prisons' Week, when we are asked to pray for those who are prisoners, for the victims of crime, for the families of both victims and perpetrators of crime, for our communities, for those who work in prisons and for all who work in the criminal justice system. There is literature on the subject at the back of church; take a leaflet if you would like.

Thank you to everyone who helped me raise the funds I needed to complete my project in Madagascar this summer. I'm now home and safe, after spending two months working with the teachers in the school, the forest conservation group and as a field journalist to promote their work. Thank you so much for being a part of the project, and making all of

this possible. *Ruth Walbank.* (A copy of Ruth's essay for the Catenian Bursary Fund is at the back of church if anyone would like to read it.)

Copies of The Voice are available at the back of church. Please take one as you leave.

SVP Conference – Following the talk by Raymond Daley last week, if anyone is interested in joining the SVP in Garstang or Scorton please feel free to attend the next Conference meeting on Tuesday, 16th October at 7.30 p.m. in Castle Lane Community Centre. If you are unable to attend or would like to discuss membership further, please contact any member of the SVP, including Helen Forshaw on 01995 603944.

Journey in Faith (RCIA) 2018-2019 (Garstang) – We are at that time of year again when our parish Journey in Faith programme for the new season starts. 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. Do you know of anyone who may wish to come along? If so please let Fr Tom know, or one of the other core group members (Tony Backhouse, John Billington, Celia Horn, Elizabeth Horn). The first meeting will be for core group preparation, on Thursday 25th October, with any enquirers joining us from 1st November onwards. Meetings are held weekly on Thursdays in the Plessington Chapel at St Mary & St Michael's, starting at 7.15pm for 7.30pm. We meet each week whether or not we have enquirers, so that we are always available if anyone wishes to come forward. We ask for your prayers for those who may be thinking about taking such a step, and for the core group. *Thank you*

Did you know? ...over 1,200 people have been killed and thousands of homes have been destroyed after a Tsunami struck Indonesia on Friday 28th September. Matthew Carter, CAFOD's Humanitarian Director, said: "Reports of the rising death toll, injuries and the destruction of infrastructure are extremely concerning. We will be doing all that we can to support our sister Caritas agencies to reach vulnerable families with the emergency aid they need to survive over the coming days and weeks". Families who have lost everything will need clean drinking water, food, shelter, medical and health services, alongside solar and fuel oil. Please keep the people of Indonesia in your thoughts and prayers.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton:

Edward Ross, Hugh Ferguson, Alan John Carter, Joan Farnworth, Richard Wrennall, Barry Speak, Ellen Shorrocks, Margaret Horn, Kathleen Barnacle, Cecily Gornall, Edward Pyke, Charles MacKenzie, Robert Richmond, Bill Backhouse, Mary Constance Acton and John Simpson. *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:

A Very Sick Brother, Teresa Smith, John Cookson, Reverend Andrew Shaw, Wendy Seed, Graham Markham (Australia), Charlie Robinson (2 years old), Louise Gornall, Bernie Murphy, Jim Cowburn, Marie Swarbrick, Mary Winstanley, Craig Smith, Jacqui Elliot, Pat Nickson, a Sick Parishioner, Christopher Macken, Seamus Martin, Pat Hill, Joseph Nugent, Peter Holland, Kathryn, Ros Drake, Vin Cahill, Bob Cross, Martina Copple, Matthew Pearson, Jim Winstanley, Dorothy Evans, Christine Cobane, Sheila Murphy, Florence Burgess, Ian Moran, David Winstanley, Pat Hickey, Nigel Lord, 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.)

Education Mass, St Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster LA1 3BT – Friday 12th October

2018 at 7:00 pm – All parishioners are invited to join Bishop Paul Swarbrick at the annual Diocese of Lancaster Education Mass. The celebration gives us the opportunity to express our thanks and acknowledge the contribution made by all those in the Diocese involved in the work of education and formation in the faith. Together we ask for God's blessing on the mission of education and formation in our diocese.

Red Mission Boxes can now be collected from the church porch, together with a mission magazine. A total of £161.65 has been banked. *Thank you.*

The North West Children's Support Group would like to thank all those who made cakes for our annual holiday to Leeds this year. The cakes were eaten as part of our daily picnics and for the children's evening snack and were really enjoyed by all. The lovely cakes provided by our parish are always a highlight of the holiday! We are putting up a display on the board in the crèche area at the back of church, of pictures of the holidays we have run this year. Hopefully this will give you a glimpse of what you so kindly continue to support.

Ladies of the Parish – The speaker at the Women's Fellowship Meeting on **9th October at 2 pm at the United Reformed Church** is the very talented author, Sarah Dodd, who wrote The Lion Picture Bible, which has been translated into French and Spanish, and which I have bought for Thomas and other children (the illustrations are delightful!). They would like to have an idea of approximate numbers attending (refreshments). Ring Philippa Catterall – 238 331 – or just turn up!

Expressions of interest are invited for a Parish pilgrimage to Rome in 2019. The dates are the 16th- 23rd September 2019. The cost is will be in the region of £850 per person for the week including flights and full board. Insurance is not included. We will be staying at the Domus Romana Sacerdotalis (<http://www.domusromana.org/>) which is within a short walk of the Vatican. It has single and twin rooms. If you are interested, please will you let Fr. Tom or Liz know at ssmm.bonds@btinternet.com or by telephone at 01995 602164.

Traidcraft for Chivuna – A small number of Autumn/Winter catalogues are now available from the back of Church. Traidcraft are doing things a little differently this year and producing a Christmas catalogue later (this doesn't contain the Autumn range), but there are some Christmas items in the current catalogue. Please leave any orders in the Sacristy, or give directly to myself, Helen Spencer. It's fine to place more than one order, and preferable to order early to minimise out-of-stocks. As usual the discount we receive from Traidcraft is passed to the Friends of Chivuna for the clinic, and you will be supporting some of the world's poorest producers with your purchases, on Fair Trade terms. If anyone wishes to visit the website www.traidcraftshop.co.uk, they are welcome to add any items to their order form (along with the item code please). The new range of Christmas cards are now available, but the catalogue containing them has not been circulated yet. *Thank you.*

Wednesday Word – copies of the Wednesday Word for the Sunday Masses of 14th October can be found on green paper at the back of church. If you would like a copy, please help yourself.

Response to the psalm at 10.30 am Mass:

“O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways” – No. 58 in hymn book.

Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 6th– Sunday 14th October 2018

Sat	6 th	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	John Horn (Birthday)
Sun	7 th	8.30 am (Scorton) 10.30 am (Garstang)	Anne Gelderd Gerald Whittaker
Mon	8 th	No Mass	
Tue	9 th	12 noon (Scorton)	John and Winifred McNulty
Wed	10 th	7.00 pm (Garstang)	Dr Martin Thomson
Thurs	11 th	9.30 am (Scorton)	Antonie Biermann
Fri	12 th	9.30 am (Garstang)	LISCF
Sat	13 th	9.30 am (Garstang) 6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	All Our Parishioners Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Sun	14 th	8.30 am (Scorton) 10.30 am (Garstang)	Angela Murphy Thomas and Eleanor Bolton

Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Wed	10 th	6.45 pm (Garstang)	Rosary
Fri	12 th	10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat	13 th	9.00 am (Scorton) 10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Saturday Liturgy of the Word Service Confessions

Special Days this week:

Sun	7 th	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Tue	9 th	Bl. John Henry Newman (Priest), St Denis (Bishop), St John Leonardi (Priest)
Wed	10 th	St Paulinus of York (Bishop)
Thur	11 th	St John XXIII (Pope)
Fri	12 th	St Wilfrid (Bishop)
Sat	13 th	St Edward the Confessor
Sun	14 th	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Meetings this Week:

Tue	9 th	2.00 pm	Ladies' Fellowship at Garstang United Reformed Church
Wed	10 th	7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Plessington Chapel)

Last Week's Attendance:

Sun	30 th	6.00 pm (Garstang)	Adults: 151	Children: 13	Total: 164
		8.30 am (Scorton)			Total: 45
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Adults: 112	Children: 25	Total: 137

Monies Received last week:

Garstang: Offertory (Including Standing Orders): £1,108; Votive Lights: £45; Shop: £10. *Many thanks to you all.*

Scorton: Offertory: £303.70 (Including standing orders); Votive Lights: £7.06; CAFOD: £1; Catholic Trust: £2; Catholic Education Service: £2; Home Mission Sunday: £15; Holy Souls: £1.83; Piety Stall: £1. *Many thanks to you all.*

Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 7.45 am each Tuesday in October at Garstang Methodist Church.

Hymns at 6.00 pm (Garstang):

Ent.	Lord of all hopefulness	969
Gloria:	Duffy	527
G.A.	Easter Plain Song	
Off:	Seek ye first	820
Sanctus:	Schubert	576
Com:	Soul of my Saviour	938
Rec:	Abide with me	907

Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	Bind us together	922
Gloria:	Celtic	529
Psalm	O blest are those who fear the Lord - 58	
G.A.	Triple + Missal	
Off:	Father, I place into your hands	971 vv1,2,4
S,M,D	A Parish Mass	482, 484, 486
A.D.	Mass of Hope	592
Com:	1) O the love of my Lord	967
	2) Love divine	801
Rec:	Love is his word	803