

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

Sts Mary & James, Scorton

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)



New items and information

**This weekend** is Education Sunday. There is a second collection for Catholic Education Services after all Masses.

**Welcome back, Father Tom** – We hope you had a lovely, relaxing holiday, and that you're refreshed and raring to go for the *next* 12 months! ☺

**Next Weekend is Home Mission Sunday** – This is a day when we are encouraged to spread the Gospel in our local area; it provides us with the opportunity to focus on this mission, pray for it, and prompt parishioners to take part in it. There will be a second collection after all Masses; this is to support the work of the Home Mission Office.

**Noddfa Retreat 2018** – A number of parishioners will be at Noddfa in north Wales this coming week, from 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> September. Please pray for them as they join together in prayer and reflection in this tranquil place. They will also keep us and our special intentions in their prayers. *Thank you*

**CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day Briefing** – Learn about CAFOD's work around the world funded by your generous donations. St Joseph's Parish House, St Joseph's Church Slyne Road Skerton LA1 2HU on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7 – 8pm**. *All are welcome.*

**Date for your diary – Education Mass, St Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster LA1 3BT – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7:00 pm** – All parishioners are invited to join Bishop Paul Swarbrick at the annual Diocese of Lancaster Education Mass. This is the Bishop's first Education Mass as our new Bishop and he looks forward to welcoming you there. This invitation extends in a special way to all those involved in education and faith formation; priests, deacons, catechists, youth ministry, children's liturgy, those in seminary and teachers outside of the Catholic sector. 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.

**Please pray for** Kerry Beesley and Scott Slater who are getting married at St Mary & St Michael's next Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, at 1.00 pm.

**Please pray for** Patricia Martin who died recently. Her Funeral Service takes place at Sts Mary & James, Scorton, next Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00 am.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton:** Dorothy Towers, Moira Adamson, Benedict Joseph Johnson, Bob Horn, Harvey Snaith, Helen Mary Brennan, Eve Porteous, Julie Beatty, Teresa Swarbrick and Winnie Taylor. *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:** Teresa Smith, John Cookson, A Very Sick Person, 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, Simone & 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.)*

**Safeguarding** – There have been queries recently about the legal position regarding the taking and displaying of photographs of children and young people on parish noticeboards and in bulletins. The Diocese provides some excellent guidance which is now displayed on the Safeguarding noticeboard at the back of church. Copies available from Ted (01995) 604714.

**Puen Club Winner (Scorton) – August winner** is Wendy Carmichael; prize £40.40.

**Garstang Parish Draw – August Winners** – Congratulations go to Julie Lever and Joan Monks for being our August winners. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw please contact Trish & Kev O’Hanlon on 01995 604292 (Saturday 6pm mass).

**The Rosary Group of the Catenian Association are into recycling!** To date they have distributed over 550,000 surplus or spare rosaries that people have donated. If you have any available, they would be glad to receive them and send them to The Missions in various parts of the world. There is a marked cardboard box in the church porch which will be there until the end of September. *Thank you.*

**SVP Food Collection:** Thank you very much for the recent donations made at Garstang and Scorton. A number of bags have been delivered to the Share IT Food Bank in Ingol by a Conference member. We are continuing to collect non-perishable food items for the food bank.

**St Vincent de Paul Society** – If anyone wishes to contact the SVP for whatever reason, the number to ring is 07535 736 975. There will be a recording thanking callers for contacting the SVP, and asking them to leave a message and we’ll ring them back as soon as possible.

**Gift Aid** – I would like to stress the importance of GIFT AID. If you donate to the parish and you are a taxpayer, and you haven’t already signed up for Gift Aid, please think seriously about doing so. **You will increase the income of your parish at no extra cost to yourself.** The Church is a charity, and like all charities the parish can reclaim tax on every donation from a taxpayer. At the basic rate of tax of 20%, for every £1 you donate the parish can reclaim tax on 25p. You simply need to complete a Gift Aid declaration with your name and address, sign and date it. Tax can be reclaimed on whatever you donate, however large of small, regular or one-off, provided that you have paid sufficient tax to cover the reclaim. Even on a one-off donation of £20, the parish will benefit from an additional £5. This year the parish has received £10,365.66 from HMRC. All we ask is that you think about it and, most importantly, if you are a taxpayer please consider signing a Gift Aid declaration form which can be found at the back of church. If you require more information or have any questions, please ring me, Helena Rigby, on 01995 605311.

*Thank you.*

**Wednesday Word** – copies of the Wednesday Word for the Sunday Masses of 16<sup>th</sup> September can be found on green paper at the back of church. If you would like a copy, please help yourself.



**Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Sat	8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Arnold and Monica Hargreaves (RIP)
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Anne Gelderd (RIP)
		10.30 am (Garstang)	John Fleming (RIP)
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9.30 am</b> (Garstang)	Marie O’Brien (RIP)
Tue	11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am (Scorton)	Funeral Service for Patricia Martin
		<b>7.00 pm</b> (Garstang)	Chivuna Mass – Angela Murphy
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	All Our Parishioners
		1.00 pm	Wedding Service Scott Slater & Kerry Beesley
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Tom & Mary Ibison (Diamond Wedding)
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Celia Grogan
		10.30 am (Garstang)	John Bisby (RIP)

**Devotions and Celebrations this week:**

Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy of the Word Service
		10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Confessions

**Special Days this week:**

Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Education Sunday)
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup>	St John Chrysostom (Bishop & Doctor)
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
Sat	15 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of Sorrows
Sun	16 <sup>th</sup>	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Home Mission Sunday)

**Meetings this Week:**

Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Plessington Chapel)
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Friends of Chivuna (Preceded by Mass at 7 pm)

**Last Week’s Attendance:**

Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.00 pm (Garstang)	Adults: 163	Children: 12	Total: 175
		8.30 am (Scorton)			Total: 60
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Adults: 94	Children: 9	Total: 103

**Monies Received last week:**

**Garstang:** Offertory (Including Standing Orders): £1,067.60; Shop: £5; Votive Lights: £47.50.  
*Many thanks to you all.*

**Scorton:** Offertory: £118.92 (+ standing orders); Mission Sunday: £2; Piety Stall: £1.75; Votive Lights: £11.68; CAFOD: £2; Catholic Education Services: £2. *Many thanks to you all.*

**Churches Together in Garstang & District**

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 7.45 am each Tuesday in September at St Thomas’s.

**Hymns at 6.00 pm (Garstang):**

Ent.	For the fruits of his creation	731
Gloria:	Salazar	998
G.A.	Celtic	
Off:	All that I am	600
Sanctus:	Celtic	553
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	Daily, daily, sing to Mary	353

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

Ent:	Gather us in	475
Gloria:	Westering Home Version	Sheet
G.A.	Halle, halle, halle	178
Off:	Take my hands	608
S,M,D:	Celtic	553
Great Amen		555
Com 1)	Lay your hands	432
2)	Christ be our light	883
Rec:	You are salt for the earth	854