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Garstang and Calder Vale  
and**

**Sts Mary & James, Scorton**

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**14<sup>th</sup> / 15<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)**



**New items and information**

**SVP Collection** This weekend a special collection will be taken for the work of the SVP.

**Whist & Domino Drive (Garstang)** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2-4pm, in the Plessington Chapel. Another opportunity to spend some enjoyable time together, with a warm welcome to all.

**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 this Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 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.*

**“The Old Testament Prophets”** – A series of talks, delivered by Canon Luiz Ruscillo, is being held at the Education Centre on Tuesday evenings from 7 – 8 pm; the next is on 17<sup>th</sup> October, followed by 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> November. All welcome. Please bring your Bibles. See poster at the back of church.

**Castlerigg Manor** Two events for your diaries:

**Young Adults Retreat**, 17-19 November. A weekend retreat for young adults (in year 12 or above). This is an opportunity to step back from our busy lives and reflect on where we are going, with time for reflection, discussion and prayer, and meeting other young adults. Cost: £65.

**Advent Retreat**, 8-10 December. Take time out from the busy run-up to Christmas to prepare for the Lord's coming. This weekend retreat, for young people in year 9 and above, will be a fun occasion to meet other young people and reflect on what Christmas is really about, through games, workshops, discussions and prayer. Cost: £65.

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of:** Sheila Cookson, whose funeral Mass will be at Sts Mary & Michael's on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30 am, followed by burial in the cemetery. ***May she rest in peace.***

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton:** Isabel Berry, Peter Ibison, John Dickinson, Bert Addison, Edward Swarbrick, Bob Thompson, Catherine Price, Anne Miller and John Joseph Reid. ***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 Copple, 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, Francisca Rainford and Alison Green.

**(Prayers for those who are sick** – This list 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 **1<sup>st</sup> 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.***)

**Previously Published Items**

**Journey in Faith (RCIA) 2017-2018** (Garstang) – Our Journey in Faith programme for the new season starts with a Core Group preparation meeting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Any enquirers will join us from 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 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, Elizabeth Horn). 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*

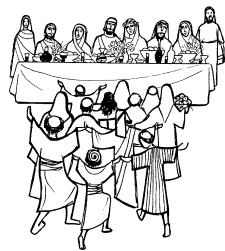
**Baby Loss Memorial Week** from 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October. To mark its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, LIFE has encouraged churches throughout the country to provide an area where anyone could come and sit quietly to remember the all-too-brief lives of babies who did not live to birth or beyond infancy. Such a space has been provided here at St Mary & St Michael's in front of the Lady Altar throughout the week.

**SVP Awareness Month** – This marks the anniversary of the death of St Vincent de Paul on 27<sup>th</sup> 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 annual report that was given with last week's newsletter. There are some spare copies at the back of church. 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](mailto:hm.forshaw@btinternet.com)). Sincere thanks for the support given to the SVP by parishioners.

**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" started on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October. There have been further events, and the final one will be on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at Central United Reformed Church, Darwen (asylum seekers and refugees focus). The events take place between 12 noon and 3 pm. Lunch is provided. To book or for more information, contact Paul at [paulsmalley@lancashiremind.org.uk](mailto: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, 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Wednesday Word** – There are copies of The Wednesday Word, on green paper, for the Mass of 22<sup>nd</sup> October at the back of church; if you would like one, please help yourself.



**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 14<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017**

Sat	14 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	A Diamond Wedding
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Betty Gornall
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Thomas and Eleanor Bolton
Mon	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	Canon Charles Canning
Tue	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am (Garstang)	80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Blessing
Wed	18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Thurs	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Fri	20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.30 am</b>	Funeral Mass for Sheila Cookson
Sat	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30 am	All Our Parishioners
Sat		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Maria Brooks
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Almond and Sweeney Families
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Joan Preston

**Devotions and Celebrations this week:**

Sat	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service
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**Special Days this week:**

Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Tues	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Ignatius of Antioch (Bishop & Martyr)
Wed	18 <sup>th</sup>	ST LUKE (Evangelist)
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup>	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – World Mission Day

**Meetings this Week:**

Mon	16 <sup>th</sup>	2-4 pm (Garstang)	Whist & Domino Drive
Wed	18 <sup>th</sup>	7 pm	Choir Practice

**Last Week's Attendance:**

Sun	1 <sup>st</sup>	(Garstang)	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Adults: 123	Children: 10	Total: 133
			10.30 am	Adults: 97	Children: 17	Total: 114
		(Scorton)	8.30 am	Total: 49		Total: 247

**Monies Received last week:**

**Garstang:** Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £1,034.45; Votive Lights: £49.70; Shop: £20.00; Photocopying: £10.00. *Many thanks to you all.*  
**Scorton:** Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £302.68; Votive lights: £4.04; Piety Stall: £1.00; CAFOD: £0.90; Family Fast Day: £42.50. *Many thanks to you all.*

**Churches Together in Garstang & District**

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

**Hymns at Vigil Mass (Garstang):**

Ent.	466	All people that on earth do dwell
Gloria:	-	
G.A.:	710	
Off:	605	Take our bread
Sanctus:	576	Schubert
Amen:	578	
Com:	-	
Rec:	861	The Lord's my Shepherd

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

Ent:
Gloria:
G.A.:
Off:
S, M, D:
A.D.:
Com: 1)
2)
Rec: