

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

Sts Mary & James, Scorton

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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)



“...to everyone who has will be given more.....but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

New items and information

The World Day of the Poor – Pope Francis has instituted this day to be celebrated on the 33rd Sunday of the Year in preparation for the feast of Christ the King. This year falls on 19th November. At the request of the Bishops' Conference, a number of agencies have prepared resources to assist parishes in celebrating this day. These resources can be found at www.csan.org.uk.

SVP Conference – The next meeting will be held this coming Tuesday, 21st November from 7.30 p.m. in the Plessington Chapel, preceded by Mass at 7 p.m. Parishioners from SS Mary and James, as well as SS Mary and Michael, who are interested in learning more about the work of the SVP in the area would be most welcome. Meetings take place monthly and last about an hour, so the regular commitment is not huge. There is an emphasis of spiritual development linked with works of charity. Most of the work takes place outside meetings e.g. visiting the sick/elderly; delivering food for ex-prisoners,

taking household items and clothing to Share IT; etc. However, we need more members so that we can do more. For example, we feel unable to provide a Christmas party for older parishioners this year because our active members are few in number. Please give some thought as to whether you could join us. If you would like more information, please ring Helen Forshaw on 01995 603944.

Next Sunday is Christ the King and Youth Day. There will be a special collection for Youth Services. The Vigil Mass is for CAFOD, and our Youth Group will be providing some of the music at the 10.30 am Mass.

Nativity Set (worth £30 RRP) is being raffled in aid of church funds. Tickets are £1 each available from the church shop. ***This weekend is your last opportunity to take part!*** The draw will take place next Sunday after the 10.30 am Mass. Christmas cards and gifts are also now on sale in the church shop.

Clothing Appeal – The SVP will be collecting warm clothing over the next few weeks. There will be the usual box at the back of church for any items. Thank you all for your support with this appeal in the past.

Journey in Faith (Garstang) – The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 23rd November, 7.15 for 7.30 pm start, in the Plessington Chapel.

The Minutes of the Chivuna Meeting on Friday, 3rd November, are now available.

Puen Club – The winner of the Puen Club Draw for November is Angela Murphy. She won £40.50.

Join CAFOD in commemorating all those who have touched our lives and made the world a better place. During the Mass, we take the time to reflect on the lasting impact, our loved ones have had on our lives and on the world as a whole. We pray that they find peace and that we can continue their legacy of love in their memory. This year the mass is being hosted at **St Mary and St Michael's Church Bonds Lane Garstang, PR3 1ZB next Saturday, 25th November at 6 pm.** Please contact Paul Wyre on pwyre@cafod.org.uk or call 01772 733 310 for more details or to include a loved one in our Book of Remembrance.

Hummingbirds Christmas Fair – This will take place on Sunday, 3rd December, following the 10.30 am Mass. There will be no teas and coffee served in the Plessington Chapel, but everyone is welcome to come and support the Fair in the Castle Lane Community Centre. Raffle tickets are on sale, available from Frank Miller.

World Mission Sunday – We have received a letter from Missio thanking us for the £242 which was raised through our donations. A copy of the letter is at the back of church.

“Praying for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time” – Each week in the newsletter there is a list of those people who have died and for whom we have been asked to pray. If you would like someone remembered in this way, there is a form on the noticeboard by the stairs at the back of church on which you can write a name, and a date of death, and they will be added to our list of anniversaries, and will appear in the newsletter in due season. We do not put anyone's name on automatically, only at someone's request.

Please pray for Theodor River Lewis Melville, who is being baptised this Sunday following the 10.30 am Mass.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ruth Woodacre who died recently. Her Funeral Service will take place at Lytham Park Crematorium on Thursday 23rd November, 2.00pm.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton: John Francis Rigby, Stephanie McDonald, Tony Hickey, Bernard Watson, William Haydock Barton, Frank Blessing, Cuthbert Billington, Brian Hargreaves, Edward Storey, Marjorie Addison, Rev Austin William Splain, George Bamber, Nellie Winder and Thomas Cooney and Dr Gerard Flood. *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: 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 Fairley, 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, Fiona Catterall, Lucy and Family, Ann Wicks, Jessica Holmes (6 years old) and Phoebe (6 years old).

(Prayers for those who are sick – This is the new version of names on the Prayer List. If someone is missing that you wanted leaving on, or 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

Christmas Flower Arrangement Demonstration – Andrew Thompson (from The Barn at Scorton) and Liz Billington will be making simple flower arrangements (including Christmas Wreath) that we can replicate in our own homes. This event will take place on **Tuesday, 5th December, 7.30 pm, at Kirkland & Catterall Memorial Hall, in aid of the North West Children’s Support Group.** Tickets are £5, including refreshments, and will be on sale at the back of church after Mass.

Piano Recital – A piano recital will be given by Fr Manny Gribben at the Lancaster University Roman Catholic Chaplaincy Centre this coming Wednesday, 22nd November, starting at 7.00 pm. The music of Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Chopin and Mussorsky will be celebrated. All welcome. Entry free; donations to Aid to the Church in Need. Refreshments available. www.lancs-catholic-chaplaincy.uk.

Wednesday Word – There are copies of The Wednesday Word, on green paper, for the Mass of 26th November at the back of church; if you would like one, please help yourself.

Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 18th – Sunday 26th November 2017

Sat	18 th	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	George Singleton (Anniversary)
Sun	19 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	For a Sick Person
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Elizabeth and Terry Fitzpatrick
Mon	20 th	No Mass	
Tue	21 st	7.00 pm (note time) (Garstang)	Henry Broadbent
Wed	22 nd	7.00 pm (Garstang)	Brian Hargreaves (2 nd Anniversary)
Thurs	23 rd	9.30 am (Scorton)	Wedding Blessings for a Special Couple
Fri	24 th	9.30 am (Garstang)	Tony Winstanley (Lately Dead)
Sat	25 th	9.30 am (Garstang)	Rev. J. Henessey
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	(CAFOD Mass) John Sweeney (1 st Anniversary)
Sun	26 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	All Our Parishioners
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Rose Thistlethwaite
		3.00 pm (Garstang)	Broughton Charitable Society Mass

Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Wed	22 nd	6.45 pm (Garstang)	Rosary
Fri	24 th	10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Exposition
Sat	25 th	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service
		10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Confessions

Special Days this week:

Sun	19 th	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)
Tues	21 st	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	22 nd	St Cecelia (Virgin & Martyr)
Fri	24 th	Sts Andrew Dung-Lac (Priest) & Companions (Martyrs)
Sun	26 th	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Meetings this Week:

Tues	21 st	7.30 pm	SVP Meeting in the Plessington Chapel.
Wed	22 nd	7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Garstang)
Thurs	23 rd	7.15 for 7.30 pm	Journey in Faith (Garstang)

Last Week’s Attendance:

Sun	12 th	(Garstang)	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Adults: 133	Children: 7	Total: 134
			10.30 am	Adults: 101	Children: 21	Total: 125
		(Scorton)	8.30 am	Total: 52		Total: 262

Monies Received last week:

Garstang: Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £1,079.40; Funeral: £600; Votive Lights: £51; Shop: £95. *Many thanks to you all.*

Scorton: Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £380; Votive lights: £8.25; CAFOD: £20; Holy Souls: 58p. *Many thanks to you all.*

Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 07.45 am each Tuesday in November at The United Reformed Church.

Hymns at Vigil Mass (Garstang):

Ent.	969	Lord of all hopefulness
Gloria:	527	Duffy
G.A.:	Easter Alleluia	
Off:	874	Take my life
Sanctus:	576	The German Mass
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	679	The day thou gavest

Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	883	Christ be our light
Gloria:		to the tune of Westering Home
G.A.:	178	Halle, halle, halle
Off:	608	Take my hands
Sanctus:		to the tune of The Rowan Tree
Amen:	578	German Mass
Com: 1)	88	Wait for the Lord
2)	865	Here I am Lord
Rec:	855	Sent by the Lord am I

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.*

“O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!”