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Garstang and Calder Vale  
and  
Sts Mary & James, Scorton**

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**29<sup>th</sup> / 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)**



*“I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.”*

**New items and information**

**We offer a big “Thank You”** to Joyce Bilsborrow and her team of willing helpers for the *delicious* bacon butties, cakes etc last weekend. They were appreciated very much by everyone.

**Monthly Coffee Morning** – As this newsletter is being prepared, the skies are grey, clouds looming, and rain is pouring! However, we won't let a little thing like *weather* spoil our enjoyment of life! Next Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August, from 10 am – 12 noon, in the Plessington Chapel, all the enjoyment you could wish for will be available as you munch on cakes and biscuits, drink coffee and tea, and converse with friends – everyone is welcome, so why not come along and have *fun?* (Whatever the weather!)

**Friends of Chivuna** – The minutes of the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> July are now available.

**Garstang Parish Draw – July Winners** – Congratulations go to Stephen Price and Tony McManmon for being our July winners. Would you like the chance of being next month's winner? We have plenty numbers available at a pro-rata rate of £14 which will include the extra draw at Christmas (£100 for the winning number). Catch Kev and Trish O'Hanlon at 6 pm Saturday Mass, or give us a call on 01995 604292.

**Cleator Pilgrimage** – On Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017, there will be Mass and blessing of the sick at 3 pm at St Mary's Priory, Cleator. Everyone is invited, especially those who are sick. As usual we invite the young people of our Diocese to walk in pilgrimage from Honister across Haystacks into Ennerdale then on to Cleator. They will begin their journey at Castlerigg Manor on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September. The event is a great opportunity to make new friends and to triumph over a physical challenge. The walk is about 10 miles each day and concludes with the diocesan Mass at Cleator at 3 pm. Age 16+. The youth can register their interest in joining the walk by contacting Fr John at Castlerigg - tel. 017687 72711.

**Fr Jerome Ainsworth is arranging a pilgrimage to Lourdes** for his parish next year, and has offered places to anyone from our parish who may be interested. Date: 25<sup>th</sup> May – 7<sup>th</sup> June; cost £745; flight from Newcastle direct to Tarbes. For further information please contact Fr Jerome as soon as possible, tel. 01768 862273, email [penrithrc@btinternet.com](mailto:penrithrc@btinternet.com).

**Emergency Call-outs at RLI** – Requests for clergy attendance need to be initiated by the families, and will be passed on by the ward staff. The ward staff will then contact the hospital switchboard who have an 'emergency bleep' to call out the Cathedral clergy. This procedure should ensure that a priest will attend. There are cards at the back of the church which you can give when you go into hospital to specify that you want to give the Catholic Chaplain your name and the fact that you are a Catholic.

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of** Michael O'Neill who died on 24<sup>th</sup> July. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated here at St Mary & St Michael's Church at 12 noon next Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, followed by burial in our Churchyard. ***May he rest in peace.***

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton** : Fred Oxby, Ronnie Johnson, Elizabeth Wardle, Teresa Tully, Margaret Dickinson, Helen Mary Beale, Beatrice Horn, Robert Berry, Margaret Hine, Anne Elizabeth Dawson, James Booth, James Birchall, James Rossall Catherine Elder and Stephen Edmondson. ***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:** Florence Burgess, Phoebe, Simon Crossley, Matthew Pearson, Martina Copple, Simone and Nigel Lord, Sean Jepson, Winifred McNulty, Josh Drinkall, Emma Loomes, Kathleen Murphy, Ros Drake, Fr Joe Duggan SJ, Allan Whipp, Theresa Harrison, Margaret Hibberdine, Billy, 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, Margaret Shepherd, Christine, Peter Holland, Ian Moran, Tony and David Winstanley, Alyson, Michael Hendry, Christopher Simpson, Auntie Sophie, Christopher Brown, Simon

Thompson, Sheila Cookson, Francisca Rainford and Alison Green. (When people whose names are on this sick list have recovered their health, please let us know.)

### Previously Published Items

**Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS)** This course is offered for catechists, teachers and others who may be interested in deepening their knowledge of the Catholic faith, and is generally regarded by primary schools governing bodies as an essential qualification. For further information please see poster at back of church.

**Luncheon Club – Scorton** – This takes place every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in the month at the Methodist Church, Scorton, so the next one will be 15<sup>th</sup> August. Cost £7.50 per head. Please telephone Ruth Yates on 01524 792581, by 12<sup>th</sup> August, to book in. *All welcome.*

**Noddfa Retreat 2017** – There are still some places left for the visit to Noddfa for anyone who would like to experience a retreat in the peace and tranquillity of this special place, from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. Cost: £200, including full board. Special food requirements can be catered for. For those who haven't been to Noddfa, it is a spirituality centre on the outskirts of Penmaenmawr, near Llandudno, North Wales, run by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary. There is a chapel on site. We run our own retreat – usually prayers and reflections morning and evening, with the addition of some sessions by two of the Sisters, and afternoons free to 'do your own thing', visit the surrounding area etc. Travel is by private car, with lifts arranged between us. A letter will be sent out shortly to those interested, giving details, and to arrange a meeting in mid-August to discuss the programme etc. If interested, please put your name and contact details on the list at the back of church. For more information contact Jean Andrews on 01995 603802.

**Date for your diary** – As part of the Garstang & District Arts Festival, Brian Dickinson will give an Organ Recital here at St Mary & St Michael's on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 7.30 pm. The programme will include a wide variety of much-loved music to suit all tastes. So come along and enjoy the sounds of our fine organ. There will be a retiring collection for Festival Proceeds.

**“Applying for a Senior Leadership Post in a Catholic School”** – This course will address the issues involved in the application process for Catholic school senior leadership positions in The Diocese of Lancaster. The course will be held at Castle Green Hotel, Castle Green Lane, Kendal, LA9 6RG on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017 from 9.30 am – 3.30 pm. The cost is £52.00 per person. If you are interested, and want further information, please see the poster at the back of church.

**Wednesday Word** – Copies of The Wednesday Word on yellow paper, for the Mass of 6<sup>th</sup> August are at the back of church; if you would like one, please help yourself.

### Response to the psalm at 10.30 am Mass :

### Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 29th July – Sunday 6th August 2017

Sat	29 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Tony Hall (Birthday)
Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	All Our Parishioners
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Helen Beale
Mon	31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tue	1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	12 noon (Scorton)	Recovery of Sylvia Gerrard
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.00 pm (Garstang)	Yolande Cain (Lately Dead)
Thurs	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 am (Scorton)	Antonie Biermann
		12 noon	Michael O'Neill – Requiem Mass
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	Mass in Thanksgiving to St Jude
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am (Garstang)	All Our Parishioners
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Agnes and Ignatius Bullen
Sun	6 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am (Scorton)	Canon Charles Canning
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Esther White (Lately Dead)

### Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.45 pm (Garstang)	Rosary
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	10 – 10.30 am (Garstang)	Confessions

### Special Days this week:

Sun	30 <sup>th</sup>	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mon	31 <sup>st</sup>	St Ignatius of Loyola (Priest)
Tues	1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	St Alphonsus (Bishop & Doctor)
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	St John Vianney (Priest)
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	Dedication of Basilica of St Mary Major
Sun	6 <sup>th</sup>	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

### Meetings this Week:

Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10 am – 12 noon	Monthly Coffee Morning (Plessington Chapel)
		7.30 pm (Garstang)	Choir Practice
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service

### Last Week's Attendance:

Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup>	(Garstang)	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Adults: 162	Children: 8	Total: 170
			10.30 am	Adults: 118	Children: 27	Total: 145
		(Scorton)	8.30 am	Total: 55		Total: 315

### Monies Received last week:

**Garstang:** Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £1,038.60; Votive Lights: £45; Photocopying: £5; Cemetery: £130; Good Shepherd Fund: £256.70. *Many thanks to you all.*  
**Scorton:** Offertory (Inc. Standing Orders): £312.77; Votive Lights: £9.25; Piety Stall/Cards etc: £14; CAFOD: £1; Good Shepherd Fund: £35.99. *Many thanks to you all.*

### Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer will be held at 07.45 am each Tuesday in August here at St Mary & St Michael's Church.

### Hymns at Vigil Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	910	Christ be beside me
Gloria:	998	Salazar
G.A.:		Celtic
Off:	820	Seek ye first the Kingdom
Sanctus:	553	Celtic
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	825	Church of God, elect and glorious

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

Ent.	970	Be thou my vision
Gloria:	998	Salazar
G.A.		Triple Alleluia
Off:	608	Take my hands
S, M, D	553, 554b, 555	– Celtic
A.D.	591	Celtic
Com: 1)	967	O the love of my Lord
2)	929	O Lord, hear my prayer
Rec:	980	Your words are spirit and life