

# Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 October 2023

Sat	30	<b>G</b>	6.00pm	<b>Mass</b>	Revd John Horn <i>RIP</i>
Sun	1	<b>S</b>	8.30am	<b>Mass</b>	Sarah A Davies <i>RIP</i>
		<b>G</b>	10.30am	<b>Mass</b>	People of our Parishes
			12.15pm	<b>Burial of Ashes : Margaret Price</b>	
<b>Mon</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>The Guardian Angels</b>			
		<b>S</b>	10.00am	<b>Mass</b>	Infirm clergy
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<b>Wed</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>St Francis of Assisi</b> <i>religious founder</i>			
		<b>G</b>	6.30pm	<b>Mass</b>	Fr Michael Hickey <i>RIP</i>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF LANCASTER CATHEDRAL</b>			
		<b>S</b>	10.00am	<b>Mass</b>	Pearl Knight <i>lately dead</i> [EW]
<b>Fri</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY:</b>			
		<b>Day of Prayer for the Poor &amp; Needy of the World</b>			
		<b>G</b>	10.00am	<b>Mass</b>	Intentions of Rachael Mason [sd]
			10.30am	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day of Prayer for Prisoners & their Dependents

8 October 2023

Sat	7	<b>G</b>	6.00pm	<b>Mass</b>	William & Ellen Greenall <i>RIP</i>
Sun	8	<b>S</b>	8.30am	<b>Mass</b>	Monica Sanderson <i>anniversary</i> [MF]
		<b>G</b>	10.30am	<b>Mass</b>	People of our Parishes

### Children's Liturgy of the Word : this Sunday

There will be children's Liturgy of the Word this **Sunday, 1 October**, 10.30am Mass, then 5 November, and 3 December.

### Cafod harvest fast day : Friday 6 October

Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast. So when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed.

Please donate to CAFOD Fast Day collection so that more families can get the expert help they need. Use the envelopes provided in church or give online at [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk). Thank you.

### Education Mass

All parishioners are invited to join Bishop Paul at the annual Education Mass, **Friday 6 October**, 6.30pm, at the cathedral.

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.

### Caring for creation

Our diocesan Faith & Justice Commission invites you to a Care of Creation event, **Saturday 7 October**, 9.30am–3.00pm, St Bernadette's Catholic Church, Bowerham Road, Lancaster LA1 4HT. Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring your own lunch.

The theme is *Let Justice and Peace flow*. Guest speakers include: Sr Margaret Atkins, Dr Stephen Garsed, Dr Paul Kelly and John Paul de Quay.

For further information or to confirm your attendance at the event please contact Sue Grubic [ldfjsue@gmail.com](mailto:ldfjsue@gmail.com) or text 07791444417.

### Tea & coffee ...

... will be served after 10.30am Mass next Sunday, **8 October**.

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## Synodality in our parishes

A couple of interesting-sounding opportunities are on offer from Nottingham diocese.

Its School of Synodality invites individuals and those leading in parishes to apply for its Innovation Programme or its Parish Programme. The two separate programmes are aimed at those creating new innovative ventures in the Church, and those leading in parishes who are wanted to taking the next step in developing synodally. For details of both programmes:

<https://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/47817>

Deadline for application: **3 October**.

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## Worldwide Rosary

*Radio Maria* is hoping to bring Our Lady of the Rosary to as many people as possible, **Saturday 7 October**. You can listen online at <https://radiomariaengland.uk>.

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## Day of renewal

*Hearing the heart of Mary in Scripture*. This is the theme of a day of renewal offered at St Clare's Parish Hall, Preston PR2 9HH, **Saturday 14 October**, 10.00am-4.00pm, beginning with Mass at 10.00am. Led by Br. Jonathan of the Franciscan Friars of Renewal.

Please take a packed lunch; tea & coffee available. For more information: Christine, 07745-009694; Annette, 07954-429333.

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## Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who baked, washed-up and helped in any way. Also, thank you to those who attended and donated so generously to Macmillan Cancer Care. We raised £274 which covers more than one day's care from a Macmillan nurse.

By popular demand, we will have further coffee mornings to raise funds for the Church on the third Wednesday of each month for the rest of the year. The next one will be on **Wednesday 18 October**, 10am - 12 noon, in the Plessington Chapel.

It was so good to see everyone at the coffee morning; please put the dates in your diary as a good chance to get together again as a Parish. There will be cake! Thank you, again. *Helen Forshaw*

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## CAFOD school volunteers needed in our area

Looking for a new challenge? Join CAFOD's team of school volunteers to inspire children and young people and deepen their understanding of global justice.

By running inspiring assemblies and engaging workshops, you will tap into their natural compassion and sense of fairness, and they will be excited about making a difference. Use your skills for the common good and be an active part of creating a world without poverty. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.

For more information, please contact: Nicola Blanchfield (Supporting CAFOD's work in schools across the Lancaster Diocese): [nblanchfield@cafod.org.uk](mailto:nblanchfield@cafod.org.uk); 07710 094449.

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## Garstang Parish Draw

Congratulations go to Graham McAleer & Catherine Thornton for being our September winners. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon via the parish office.

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## Please pray for ...

**The Synod in Rome, 4-29 October.** All those participating; for attentive listening to the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

**Those who have died recently.**

**Those who are ill or infirm.** Vicki Doherty, Deacon D'Arcy Ryan, Carley Cowburn, Noreen Hargreaves, Mary Purkis, Harold Jepson, Frank Davis, Fr Harry Holden, Federico Lema, Mary McCann, Fr Bob Horn, Pat Errington, Rita Whittaker, Margaret Brocklehurst, Rory Montgomery, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Philippa Haynes, Yvonne Shaw, Andrew Whipp, Simon Crossley, John Cookson, Peter Holland, Martina Copple, Dorothy Evans, Ian Moran, Nigel Lord, Ewan, Francisca Rainford, Michael Hendry, Kathryn, Lucy & Family, Jessica Holmes.

**Those whose anniversary we keep.** Eleanor Woodhams, Joseph Speight, Gerard Rigby, Hannah Wheatley, Mary Gertrude Green, Francis Eastham, William Greenall, Arthur Conlong, Gerald Whittaker, John Towers, Hilda Redhead, Jenny Jackson, Margaret McDonald, Edward Ross, Hugh Ferguson, Gordon Watkins, Alan John Carter and Joan Farnworth.