

# Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

3 October 2021

### Liturgies this week

Sat **G** 6.00pm **Mass** William & Ellen Greenall *anniversary* [AC]

Sun **S** 8.30am **Mass** People of our Parishes

**G** 10.30am **Mass** Colin Swarbrick *RIP* [V]

Mon..... **St Francis of Assisi** *religious founder*

**S** 10.00am **Mass** Charlotte McAleer *RIP*

Tue --- **Mass**

Wed **G** 6.30pm **Mass** Intentions of Mark & Peter

7.00pm **Rosary** *in our homes*

Thu..... **Our Lady of the Rosary**

**S** 10.00am **Mass** Winnie & John Kennedy *anniversary* [TC]

**G** 11.30am **Burial of Ashes : Freda Gidlow**

Fri **G** 11.00am **Funeral Mass : Edmond Lowe**

Sat **G** 12.15pm **Baptism : Jacob Jon Sharples**

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependants

Sat **G** 6.00pm **Mass** Arnold & Monica Hargreaves *RIP* [T]

Sun **S** 8.30am **Mass** Alice & John Towers *RIP*

**G** 10.30am **Mass** People of our Parishes

### CAFOD Harvest Fast Day : 1 October

This year the focus is the Climate Crisis. As we have heard on the news a *Code Red for Humanity* has been issued. July was the hottest month ever in human history. To quote Pope Francis: "We are at the edge. We have the instruments; this is the moment to act. We are at the edge."

There will be several ways to donate to CAFOD this Harvest Fast Day:

- Through the Fast Day Envelope or the collection at Mass;
- Text giving through your phone; Text CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10. Or choose to give any whole amount between £1 and £20 by texting CAFOD, followed by the amount you would like to donate, to 70580.
- Give online at <https://cafod.org.uk>.

If it is possible for you, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. You may like to consider setting up a regular donation.

### *Reclaim Our Common Home*

You can also take action by signing CAFOD's online petition to the Prime Minister urging him to put people hardest hit at the heart of the COP26 Climate Talks: <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Reclaim-our-common-home>  
We are hoping to have some postcards available to sign and send, if you prefer: "The eyes of the world are upon us ..."

### Boarbank : Laudato si

An opportunity to take part in ZOOM meetings, **15-18 October**, led by Sr Margaret Atkins. Speakers include Cardinal Vincent Nicolls and Bishop Paul.

More information here:

<http://www.boarbankhall.org.uk/index.php/whats-on/called-to-work/285-living-laudato-si-your-parish-and-your-planet>

### Home is a Feeling, Not a Place

This book has been produced by the Jesuit Refugee Service and written by some of their refugee friends. It is available to purchase at <https://www.jrsuk.net/refugeegifts>.

If you would like to support the valuable and very relevant work of JRS, other virtual gifts are available too, such as *Phone Credit for a Refugee*, *Emergency Food Parcel*, and *Post-detention Support*.

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### Are you a Catholic working in health care?

If so, please contact Cath Morgan, Bishop Paul's healthcare advisor, on [bha@lancasterrcdioocese.org.uk](mailto:bha@lancasterrcdioocese.org.uk) This is to see whether there is any interest in establishing a branch of the Catholic Medical Association in the diocese. The aim of the CMA is to meet fellow professionals and to keep updated.

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### Preston Orpheus Choir

An English Musical Renaissance including music by Sullivan, Parry, Stanford, Elgar, with the main piece being Vaughan Williams' *Five Mystical Songs*. **Saturday 30 October**, 7.30pm, St Leonard's, Marshalls Brow, Penwortham PR1 9JA. Admission £10, under 18s free; just turn up and pay on door.

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### Tom Rigby RIP : many thanks

Garstang parish is very grateful to Helena and her family for donations of £450 in memory of Tom. It will be used to help repair the paths in the cemetery and the historic wall.

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### Finance matters

**National Levy:** each year every parish is levied in order to support the work of the Bishops' Conference headquarters and the work of various national commissions. This year our levies are: Scorton £440.47, Garstang, £1682.90.

**Gift Aid:** sincere thanks to every parishioner who supports our parishes through Gift Aid. We have received from HMRC: Scorton, £2394.64, and Garstang, £8108.40.

If you are a UK tax payer, *please* complete a Gift Aid declaration for the parish. It costs you absolutely nothing. You are giving to your parish anyway; this simply asks the Government to redirect to the Church some of the tax you have paid to the Government. For every £1 you give, the Church can reclaim 25p of tax. Standing Order forms and Gift Aid declarations are available at the back of both churches; alternatively, download them for either parish from our website, or e-mail or phone the parish office.

**Sincere thanks** to the parishioners who give so generously of their time and talents to matters financial. Tony Blunt has now handed over Fr Hickey's abacus to Alejandra Banchemo, and we thank him for his years of faithful service. Barry Fitzgibbon balances the books at Scorton. Barbara Bracegirdle and Helena Rigby look after the Gift Aid, and Deacon D'Arcy and Catherine Pickering take care of the banking. Thank you all.

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### Garstang parish draw

Garstang Parish Draw: Congratulations go to Helen & Tim Forshaw and Kath & Alan Armstrong for being our June winners. Congratulations go to Heather Every and Arlene Rowley for being our September winners. As of October, we are back on track with the draws and will revert back to one draw each month plus the extra Christmas draw in December. Thank you all for your understanding during these last few months. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon via the parish office.

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### Baby clothes : can you help?

Sr Eileen at Ingol is looking for baby clothes to help families who are in need. If you can help, or for more information, please contact Pat Costain, either directly or through the parish office.

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### Red Mission Boxes

These can now be collected from the church porch. If you wish to have your mission box emptied, please contact Celia Horn, either directly or through the parish office.

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### Prayers for healing

A Jesuit website in the USA has a great collection of prayers for healing: <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/prayers-for-healing>

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### Please pray for ...

**Those who have died recently.** Edmond Lowe, Bernard Gornall.

**Those who are ill or infirm.** Caroline Nurse, Roger Boden, Bill Hollis, Caroline Rigby, Monica Sanderson, Josie Higham, Tony Blunt, Philippa Haynes, Phyllis Steel, Yvonne Shaw, Barry Robinson, Elaine Stajniack, Anne Hunt, Jean Andrews, Tony Smith, Andrew Whipp, Simon Crossley, John Cookson, Marie Swarbrick, Peter Holland, Bob Cross, Martina Copple, Dorothy Evans, Ian Moran, Nigel Lord, Ewan, Francisca Rainford, Michael Hendry, Kathryn, Lucy & Family, Jessica Holmes.

**Those whose anniversary we keep:** William Greenall, Arthur Conlong, Gerald Whittaker, John Towers, Hilda Redhead, Jenny Jackson, Margaret McDonald, Edward Ross, Hugh Ferguson, Gordon Watkins, Alan John Carter, Joan Farnworth, Richard Wrennall, Barry Speak and Rose Ellen Shorrock.