

# Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

30 October 2022

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| Sat 29 | G | 6.00pm  | Mass | People of our Parishes                          |
| Sun 30 | S | 8.30am  | Mass | Fr Francis Carr <i>RIP</i>                      |
|        | G | 10.30am | Mass | Ellen & Ken Dwerryhouse <i>anniversary</i> [sc] |
| Mon 31 | S | 10.00am | Mass | In thanksgiving [J]                             |

### All Saints

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| Mon 31 | G | 6.30pm  | Mass | Neal Walmsley <i>anniversary</i>      |
| Tue 1  | S | 10.00am | Mass | Fr Michael Tully & Parents <i>RIP</i> |

Wed 2 **ALL SOULS : Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed**

G 6.30pm **Mass** Canon O'Dwyer *RIP*

Thu 3 S 10.00am **Mass** Kathleen Rawlinson *anniversary* [MB]

Fri 4 **St Charles Borromeo** *bishop*

G 10.00am **Mass** Fr James Matthews *RIP*

G 10.30am **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sat 5 G 11.00am **Funeral Mass : John Bolton**

## Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5 G 6.00pm **Mass** John & Alice Towers *RIP*

Sun 6 S 8.30am **Mass** People of our Parishes

G 10.30am **Mass** George Singleton *anniversary*

### Imagine

*Imagine* is a time of guided prayer on Zoom. It is based on an Ignatian approach to encountering God through imagination, and takes place on the first Wednesday of the month, 8.00pm. All are welcome.

*Imagine*, **Wednesday 2 November**, 8.00pm, will take us into the city, to search for the God in all things. The link to the live event is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81534467879?pwd=c1FzYnd0RHoxdE5FYkp1MXdZUTBnUT09> Meeting ID: 8153446 7879.

### Prayer for our schools

The ecumenical Prayers for Schools group will meet, **Friday 4 November**, 2.00-3.00pm, in the Plessington Chapel, SSMM. All are welcome to attend.

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Until the first lockdown, children's liturgy, a celebration of the Liturgy of the Word for children of primary school age, was a regular feature of Sunday Mass at Garstang.

It will begin again, usually on the first Sunday of each month, at 10.30am Mass. The forthcoming dates for the children's liturgy are **6 November**, **4 December**, and **6 January**.

It will be great to see the return of this ministry serving our children.

Please note that the Plessington chapel will not be available for general seating on those dates.

### Remembrance Sunday

Do we have a (former) member of the Armed Forces who would like to represent our parish at the Remembrance Sunday commemoration in Garstang, **Sunday 13 November**? If so, please let me know. Fr Geoffrey

### Hummingbirds lottery

Our parish educational nursery, Hummingbirds, has launched a lottery to help raise much-needed funds. (Online only.)

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/cause-data/27c68c60-cd6b-4e17-9de7-74bf65ee669f/leaflets/4aa12044-28be-4fd9-819d-e984b57fbf2d/launching-a-lottery-printable.pdf?updated=638012635559400000>

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## Dates for your diary

- Advent Liturgy of Reconciliation, **Saturday 3 December**, 10.00am, SSMM.
- Concert by Lancaster Singers and children from our school, **Friday 9 December**, 7.30pm, SSMM.

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## Communion from the chalice – *now restored*

One of the many great gifts of renewal of the Second Vatican Council was reintroducing the option of receiving Holy Communion from the chalice, faithful to our Lord's command at the Last Supper, "Take this, all of you, and drink from it."

Receiving Holy Communion in this way has been common in our country for the last several decades. Until Covid.

We have had no guidance from the bishops regarding the re-introduction of communion from the chalice, and I suspect that it will not be forthcoming.

Whenever possible, and in both parishes, the chalice will be offered to members of the congregation (who will be free to receive from it or not).

Remember, though, that when the rim of the chalice is wiped with a clean purificator after each communicant, the vast majority of bacteria are removed. Wine also has a disinfectant quality, as does the precious metal of the chalices.

**At Garstang**, we have now resumed our pre-Covid distribution of Communion: I and a Minister stand in front of the main altar, two Ministers stand before the Lady Altar. You are invited to process to Communion **beginning at the front of church and returning to your place via the same aisle**. For the first few weeks, our gallant stewards will assist in this.

**Receiving from the chalice:** As when receiving the Host, please make a bow of reverence before receiving the Chalice. After responding "Amen" to the Minister, take the chalice securely in both hands, take a sip, and hand it back to the Minister. I'm conscious that several of our younger parishioners have made their First Holy Communion when we were unable to offer the Chalice. If they are now going to do so, may I ask their parents to prepare their children to receive in this way, as described just above.

**Additional ministers:** In both parishes, additional Ministers of Holy Communion would be very welcome. For Garstang, contact Frank Miller, for Scorton, contact Denise Morley. Many thanks everyone. *Fr Geoffrey*

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## St Paul Sunday Missal 2023

If you'd like a personal copy of the 2023 edition of the St Paul Sunday Missal, cost £8.00, depending on the numbers ordered: e-mail the parish office, phone and leave a message, or post a note through the letter box.

Deadline for orders: **20 November**.

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## Garstang parish draw

Congratulations go to our October winners Olive & Jim Sweetman and Catherine Eastham. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon via the parish office.

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## Cenacolo : many thanks

Further to an earlier news item concerning the Cenacolo Community in Kendal, we can confirm that £692.82 has now been transferred from Parish money (which we had held) to the treasurer of Cenacolo, Miss Clare McEntegart. This money will of course benefit the Cenacolo Trust Fund and the lads in other houses around the world who are recovering from drug misuse and addiction. A huge thanks go to our Parishioners for supporting this amazing organisation which saves many lives. We can testify to this because of our involvement over a number of years. *Pat & Jim Costain*

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## Please pray for ...

**Those who have died recently.** John Bolton, Brenda Lowe (sister-in-law of Bert), Fr John Michael Walsh (retired priest of the diocese).

**Those who are ill or infirm.** Mary McCann, Fr Bob Horn, Pat Errington, Anthony Monks, Rita Whittaker, Margaret Brocklehurst, Oonagh Murphy, Rory Montgomery, Tony Clark, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Caroline Rigby, Tony Blunt, Philippa Haynes, Yvonne Shaw, Anne Hunt, Jean Andrews, 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:** Tony Moreland, Peggy Hodgson, John McNulty, Neal John Walmsley, Ignatius Bullen, William Stopforth, Lawrence Lord, Zona Rigby, Dorothy Robertson, Cath Morris, Thomas Wilding, Alfred Leigh, Jessie Horn, Mary (Molly) Taylor, May Dilworth, Rose Parker, Edwin Ball, William Critchley and John Carter.