Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

1 June 2025

Sat	31	**G**	6.00pm	**Mass**	Lucas Backhouse *RIP-birthday*
Sun	1	**S**	8.30am	**Mass**	Fr Michael Tully & Parents *RIP*
		G	10.30am	**Mass**	People of our parishes
Mon	2	**S**	10.00am	**Mass**	Intentions of Pat Jepson *poorly*
Tue	3	---			
Wed	4	**G**	6.30pm	**Mass**	Rita Whittaker *RIP*
			7.00pm	**Rosary** *in our homes*	
Thu	**5**	**St Boniface** *bishop, religious, missionary, martyr*			
		S	10.00am	**Mass**	Infirm clergy
Fri	**6**	**G**	**10.30am**	**Funeral Mass : Dawn Murphy**	
Sat	**7**	**G**	**11.30am**	**Wedding of Gemma Leach & Christian Kirkham**	

Pentecost

Sat	7	**G**	6.00pm	**Mass**	Muriel Metcalfe *RIP*
Sun	8	**S**	8.30am	**Mass**	Fr Michael Tully & Parents *RIP*
		G	10.30am	**Mass**	People of our parishes

Laudato si' : ten years on

All are welcome to join the Northern Dioceses Environment Group and the Southern Dioceses Environment Network to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato Si'*. **Wednesday 4 June**, 7.00-9.00pm, online. Book with Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-celebration-of-laudato-si-tickets-1364006483109?aff=oddtdtcreator.

Cancel the debt : choose hope

In this Jubilee Year CAFOD is working with our sister *Caritas* organisations around the world to call for urgent action on the global debt crisis.

Many of the poorest countries suffer huge debt burdens with devastating impacts on ordinary people. Pope Francis spoke about this many times, saying, "More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice."

Please sign the worldwide Church petition on the way out of Mass today - or on another weekend before the end of the June. Thank you.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

As part of our Jubilee and Centenary celebrations Bishop Paul invites all couples in the diocese celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries this year including 1st, 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 60th and beyond, to a Mass of celebration and blessing. **Saturday 12 July**, 12.15pm, Lancaster Cathedral.

Join together to celebrate your journey of love and commitment with family, friends, and parish community during our Diocesan Centenary year. All are welcome to attend.

For those couples wishing a blessing for their Catholic marriage please email the Cathedral at clergy@lancastercathedral.org.uk See the poster at the back of church for details.

Parish Coffee Morning

The recent event raised £135 for Brian House. The shop staff were absolutely delighted when the money was taken to them. Thank you all for your generous support of this local charity.

A reminder: there will be no coffee morning in June. The next one will be on **Wednesday 16 July**, 10.00am to 12 noon, when we will raise funds for Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) [Doctors Without Borders].

Friends to meet, cakes to eat: do come along. *The Coffee Morning Team*

History of our diocese in one hundred objects

As part of our Diocesan Centenary celebrations, Bishop Paul would like to create a collection of 100 items that together tell the story of our Diocese.

He is looking for items that hold particular significance in the history of our parishes or the Diocese as a whole. For instance: historical documents, liturgical or religious objects, stories or memorabilia connected to key individuals in the parish, school, or the wider community

No item will be permanently removed from the parish. Instead, Bishop Paul's team will document and photograph each item for inclusion in the project.

Any ideas about what we might suggest from either of our parishes? Fr G

Pilgrimage walk

The *John Bradburne Memorial Society* is holding a pilgrimage climb on Melmerby Fell, Cumbria, **Saturday 6 June**.

There will be Mass beforehand in St John the Evangelist church, Skirwith CA10 1RQ at 10.00am.

Flyers are at the back of church. For more information visit www.johnbradburne.com, or e-mail Kate at info@johnbradburne.com.

Flower festival in Morecambe

The Catholic churches in Morecambe will be holding a flower festival in St Mary's church, Matthias Street, Morecambe LA4 5JR, **Friday 20 - Sunday 22 June**, 1.00-7.00pm. See the poster at the back of church.

Education Mass

All parishioners are invited to join Bishop Paul at the annual diocesan education Mass.

This invitation extends in a special way to all those involved in education and faith formation: catechists, children's liturgy leaders, teachers both within and outside the Catholic sector. **Thursday 3 July**, 6.30pm, at the cathedral.

This is an opportunity to thank and acknowledge the contribution made by all those in the diocese involved in this work. Together we ask God's blessing on the mission of education and formation in our diocese. To book: https://www.tickettailor.com/events/lancasterromancatholicdioceseeducationservice/1677756?

Rosary Campaign for Pope Leo XIV

Aid to the Church in Need (UK) would like to offer our new holy father, Pope Leo XIV, a spiritual bouquet: our prayers and support for our pontiff and shepherd as he starts his ministry. If you would like to take part, please visit https://acnuk.org.

Pope Leo's inauguration

Copies of Pope Leo's homily at his inauguration are at the back of church.

Hats for Seafarers

You did it! Fifty-five hats were knitted for seafarers. Well done to all our knitters. Thank you so much. *SVP and Stella Maris*

Chivuna clinic in Zambia

The annual transfer to the clinic this year will be arranged for the **end of June**. Before then, if anyone would like to make a donation, or set up a standing order, please contact the parish office.

Please pray for …

Those who have died recently. Vin Cahill, Joseph Hardacre, Dawn Murphy.

Those who are ill or infirm. Pat & Harold Jepson, Celia & Bert Lowe, Gerry & Rita Marley, Liz Boden, Bob Tomlinson, Fr Tony Walsh, Steve Masterman, Bob Cookson, Pat Stockdale, Jim Costain, Fr Michael Murphy, Pat McKenna, Deacon D'Arcy Ryan, Noreen Hargreaves, Mary Purkis, Frank Davis, Federico Lema, Margaret Brocklehurst, Mary Jo Counsell, Caroline Nurse, 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.

Those whose anniversary we keep. Renee Rafferty, Thomas Hezel, Brian Griffin, Wynn Dunn, William Rawlinson, Bernard Holland, Jean Leach, Theresa Bamber, John Dixon, Josephine Barton, George Holt, Alfred Yates, Robert Catterall, Julia Cowburn, Judith Swarbrick, Winifred McNulty, John Blacklock, Cyril Swarbrick, Ethel (Ethelreda) Hodgson, Rev Peter Firth C.F., Jennifer Robinson, Anthony James Stephenson, Charles Hamer, Francis Wells, Elizabeth Critchley, Canon David Murphy, and Javier Coto.