

**St Mary and St Michael's Catholic Church
Garstang and Calder Vale
and**

Sts Mary & James, Scorton

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)



*“Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean.....
For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge...”*

New items and information

We welcome Monsignor Paul Hypher, who is supplying for Father Tom this weekend.

Welcome back to the Staff and Pupils of St Mary & St Michael's School which opens again this week.

Monthly Coffee Morning – Children are going back to school, birds are flying south for the winter, little animals will be feeding themselves up ready for hibernation.....what can we do that is as much fun as that? Why, we can come and enjoy company, tea and coffee, cakes and biscuits, in the warmth and welcome of the Plessington Chapel! Next **Wednesday, 5th September, from 10 am – 12 noon.** Bring a friend! *Everyone is welcome.*

Safeguarding – There have been queries recently about the legal position regarding the taking and displaying of photographs of children and young people on parish noticeboards and in bulletins. The Diocese provides some excellent guidance which is now displayed on the Safeguarding noticeboard at the back of church. Copies available from Ted (01995) 604714.

Next weekend is Education Sunday. There will be a second collection for Catholic Education Services.

Red Mission Boxes – Would you please bring boxes to be emptied into church next weekend. *Thank you.*

Puen Club Winner – August winner is Wendy Carmichael; prize £40.40.

Garstang Parish Draw – August Winners – Congratulations go to Julie Lever and Joan Monks for being our August winners. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw please contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon on 01995 604292 (Saturday 6pm mass).

The Rosary Group of the Catenian Association are into recycling! To date they have distributed over 550,000 surplus or spare rosaries that people have donated. If you have any available, they would be glad to receive them and send them to The Missions in various parts of the world. There is a marked cardboard box in the church porch which will be there until the end of September. *Thank you.*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and

Scorton: Ronald Park, Rosie Cousins, Wilfrid Hull, Dennis Chapman, Richard Winstanley, Carl Gerard Wilkes, James Parker, Hilda Yates, Ken Shaw, Peter Thomas Davis, Matthew Maguire, Agnes James, Malcolm Mayo, Richard Pawlowki, Michael Sheridan, Nora Jacques, Dorothy Towers, Moira Adamson and Benedict Joseph Johnson. ***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: Teresa Smith, John Cookson, A Very Sick Person, Reverend Andrew Shaw, Maria Madej, Wendy Seed, Graham Markham (Australia), Charlie Robinson (2 years old), Louise Gornall, Bernie Murphy, Jim Cowburn, Marie Swarbrick, Mary Winstanley, Craig Smith, Jacqui Elliot, Pat Nickson, a Sick Parishioner, Christopher Macken, Seamus Martin, Pat Hill, Joseph Nugent, Peter Holland, Kathryn, Ros Drake, Tony McManmon, Vin Cahill, Bob Cross, Martina Cople, Matthew Pearson, Jim Winstanley, Dorothy Evans, Christine Cobane, Sheila Murphy, Florence Burgess, Ian Moran, David Winstanley, Pat Hickey, Simone & Nigel Lord, Marie Corrigan, Ewan, Francisca Rainford, Wayne Martin, Michael Hendry, Lucy and Family, Ann Wicks, Jessica Holmes (6 years old) and Phoebe (6 years old).

(If you would like to add someone, please will you write down their name and hand it to Father Tom, D'arcy or Liz, or send in by email, and please let us know when a name is to be removed. Thank you.)

Church Shop – Please note: Unless we get more volunteers on Sunday mornings to run the church shop after the 10.30 am Mass it will no longer be open at this time. The shop will continue to be open after the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday evenings. Thank you to Freda Gidlow for holding the fort for so long.

SVP Food Collection: Thank you very much for the recent donations made at Garstang and Scorton. A number of bags have been delivered to the Share IT Food Bank in Ingol by a Conference member. We are continuing to collect non-perishable food items for the food bank. Donations are particularly important at this time of the year because families have to feed children who get free school meals when they are at school.

St Vincent de Paul Society – If anyone wishes to contact the SVP for whatever reason, the number to ring is 07535 736 975. There will be a recording thanking callers for contacting the SVP, and asking them to leave a message and we'll ring them back as soon as possible.

Our Lady's Catholic College Uganda 18 Project – Students and staff have returned safely from their trip and are very enthusiastic to feed back to you on the projects which you have supported so generously. Please visit the school web-site (www.olcc.lancs.sch.uk) and look under 'Latest News' to find a Summary Feedback Report. We have also arranged a Presentation Evening on Wednesday 12 September at Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster from 5 pm – everyone is very welcome. Thank you once again for your support. *Ruth Lowe.*

Gift Aid – I would like to stress the importance of GIFT AID. If you donate to the parish and you are a taxpayer, and you haven't already signed up for Gift Aid, please think seriously about doing so. **You will increase the income of your parish at no extra cost to yourself.** The Church is a charity, and like all charities the parish can reclaim tax on every donation from a taxpayer. At the basic rate of tax of 20%, for every £1 you donate the parish can reclaim tax on 25p. You simply need to complete a Gift Aid declaration with your name and address, sign and date it. Tax can be reclaimed on whatever you donate, however large of small, regular or one-off, provided that you have paid sufficient tax to cover the reclaim. Even on a one-off donation of £20, the parish will benefit from an additional £5. This year the parish has received £10,365.66 from HMRC. All we ask is that you think about it and, most importantly, if you are a taxpayer please consider signing a Gift Aid declaration form which can be found at the back of church. If you require more information or have any questions, please ring me, Helena Rigby, on 01995 **605311**.

Thank you.

Kerala Floods: an SVP appeal – As you've probably seen in the media, terrible floods have been taking place in Kerala in southern India. Hundreds of people have been killed and many more are missing; countless homes have been washed away, and the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Kerala is the most Christian state in India – it has more churches than any other region. The leading Catholic volunteering charity, the SVP, is very active there and they are doing great work helping the victims of the flood in local communities. However, they desperately need funds. Please contribute to the SVP's Kerala appeal. To donate visit www.svp.org.uk, telephone 020 7703 3030 or send cheques made out to SVP (write 'Kerala appeal' on the back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.

Wednesday Word – copies of the Wednesday Word for the Sunday Masses of 9th September can be found on green paper at the back of church. If you would like a copy, please help yourself.

Response to the psalm at the 10.30am Mass:

Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 1st – Sunday 9th September 2018

Sat	1 st	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Alan Bradley (RIP)
Sun	2 nd	8.30 am (Scorton)	Helen and Edward Brennan (Anniversary)
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Charles and Evelyn Langley
Mon	3 rd		
Tue	4 th		}
Wed	5 th		}
Thurs	6 th		} No Mass
Fri	7 th		}
Sat	8 th		}
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Arnold and Monica Hargreaves
Sun	9 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	Anne Gelderd
		10.30 am (Garstang)	John Fleming (RIP)

Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Sat	8 th	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy of the Word Service
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Special Days this week:

Sun	2 nd	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mon	3 rd	ST GREGORY THE GREAT (Pope & Doctor)
Tue	4 th	St Cuthbert (Bishop)
Wed	5 th	St Herbert (Hermit)
Sat	8 th	NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Sun	9 th	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Education Sunday)

Meetings this Week:

Wed	5 th	10 am – 12 noon	Monthly Coffee Morning (Plessington Chapel)
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Plessington Chapel)

Last Week's Attendance:

Sun	26 th	6.00 pm (Garstang)	Adults: 146	Children: 7	Total: 153
		8.30 am (Scorton)			Total: 54
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Adults: 112	Children: 18	Total: 130

Monies Received last week:

Garstang: Offertory (Including Standing Orders): £1,069; Catholic Trust for England & Wales: £180.70; Shop: £15; Votive Lights: £42; Donation: £50; Funeral: £600. *Many thanks to you all.*
Scorton: Offertory: £109.98 (+ standing orders); Catholic Trust: £27.62; Piety Stall: £4.24; Votive Lights: £11.63; CAFOD: £5.15; Holy Souls: £4.13. *Many thanks to you all.*

Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 7.45 am each Tuesday in September at St Thomas's.

Hymns at 6.00 pm (Garstang):

Ent.
Gloria:
G.A.
Off:
Sanctus:
Amen:
Com:
Rec:

Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent: Dear Lord & Father of mankind 934
Gloria: Celtic 529
G.A. Triple + Missal
Off: Take my hands 608
S,M,D: Celtic 553, 554a, 555
A.D: Celtic 591
Com 1) Centre of my life 423
2)
Rec: Be thou my vision 971