

Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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The Holy Trinity

12 June 2022

Sat	11	G	6.00pm	Mass	Brian James Richardson <i>3rd anniversary</i>
Sun	12	S	8.30am	Mass	People of our Parishes
		G	10.30am	Mass	Sheila Carroll <i>RIP</i>

Ordinary Time : Week 11 : Weekday readings Year 2

Mon	13	St Anthony of Padua <i>priest, religious, doctor of the Church</i>
		S 10.00am Mass Bob Finlayson <i>anniversary</i> [E+GS]
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Wed	15	G 6.30pm Mass Eva Charette <i>RIP</i> [MS]
		7.00pm Rosary <i>in our homes</i>
Thu	16	S 10.00am Mass Theresa Cole <i>RIP</i> [PC]
		G 12.30pm Wedding : Ruth Edge & Barry Walker
Fri	17	G 10.00am Mass Giovanni Buono <i>85th birthday</i> [E+GS]
		G 10.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Body & Blood of Christ

Sat	18	G	6.00pm	Mass	People of our Parishes
Sun	19	S	8.30am	Mass	Fr Michael Tully & Parents <i>RIP</i>
		G	10.30am	Mass	Alice & John Towers <i>RIP</i>

St Thomas' Foodbank

Using money given by parishioners, the SVP makes regular, in kind, donations to support the Foodbank at St Thomas'. This facility is used more and more by local people due to rapidly rising food and energy prices.

If you know someone who could benefit from accessing the Foodbank, which operates on Monday mornings out of St Thomas' Church Hall, do suggest they contact the organiser, Kathryn Sperring, on 07722210827 or by email: kathrynjsperring@gmail.com. If you would prefer the SVP to make the referral, then ring 07535736975.

Hummingbirds 25th anniversary Summer Fete

To celebrate this milestone, there will be a Summer fete, **Friday 17 June**, 3.00pm, in the School Hall. Cake stall, drinks, teddy & chocolate tombola, gift stalls, face painting, scentsy, toy sale, games and more. All welcome, particularly those who have supported us over the last 25 years.

OLCC Uganda22 Concert

There will be a concert at Our Lady's Catholic College, Lancaster, **Friday 17 June**, 7.00pm. Funds raised will go towards the school's Ugandan partner communities and Caritas Ukraine. Many of the students will still be in the middle of their A levels so please support them on this evening.

Tickets available on the door: £6 for adults and £3 for concessions, to include a glass of wine or fruit juice. It is a very informal evening with an eclectic mix of music and song. The event should finish at around 9.00pm. Thank you for your support. Ruth Lowe, Head of Sixth Form.

Day of renewal

"The Good Shepherd" is the theme of a day of renewal offered at St Clare's Parish Hall, Preston PR2 9HH, **Saturday 25 June**, 10.00am-4.00pm, beginning with Mass at 10.00am. Led by Fr Pat Deegan, diocese of Leeds.

Lark Hill past pupils

Any past pupils of Lark Hill Convent School, Preston are invited to come to Cardinal Newman College, **Saturday 25 June**, for a Mass at 2.30pm in the Chapel followed by a get together. This is a chance to meet up with friends and there will be opportunity to explore the College on the Lark Hill site.

Update from Chivuna

Sr Mutinta has written recently: "I was away from work for a few weeks to attend to congregational and community needs. There were a lot of patients on my first day but we had a bit of breathing space today. It is getting cold and people are suffering from flu but we have a few cases of covid with the youngest patient being a 2-year-old child.

It is my hope that all our friends in Garstang are doing well. We are doing well and running around. Kind regards to all your family members and the people of Garstang. With love and prayers, Sr Mutinta."

Clearly the community in Zambia has very little clothing for these children. The nights in Zambia are cold and it must be a great worry for their carers if they lack the basic items to keep these infants warm.

If you would like to knit for Sr Mutinta, e.g. baby cardigans or hats, or anything suitable for babies and small children up to about aged two or three years, Pat Costain will happily send them for you. Please contact Pat directly, or through the parish office. Thank you, *Pat Costain*

Thanks to your regular monthly donations, our parish Chivuna account balance at 31 May 2022 was £1,860.89. I think it appropriate to make another bank transfer, and invite members of the Chivuna group and donors to let me have your thoughts, and the parish can then arrange a bank transfer accordingly. Additional donations are welcome. *Fr Geoffrey*

John of the Cross' Spiritual Canticle

Explore this exquisite poem, wrought from his own personal darkness. **Saturday 18 June**, 10am-1.00pm. For bookings, please see the website or contact Donna Worthington: drworthington@live.co.uk. All retreats £20, unless otherwise stated. <https://christianretreats.live>

John Bradburne's 101st birthday pilgrimage climb

You are invited to join Bishop Paul on the JBMS climb Cross Fell in Cumbria, **Saturday 18 June**, 11.00am, in honour of John Bradburne's 101st birthday in his birthplace of Skirwith. Prayers will be offered by Bishop Paul at the summit. This is a difficult climb, suitable only for those with good fitness levels and will take approximately seven hours to complete. To reserve your place and make a donation: info@johnbradburne.com or call 07979 187498.

Eight things you didn't know about our food system

Over the following weeks we will be looking at aspects from CAFOD' *Fix the Food System* campaign so we are better informed.

2. Small-scale farmers have little choice over what they grow

Five of every six farms in the world consist of less than two hectares, operate only around 12 percent of all agricultural land, and produce roughly 35 per cent of the world's food. So small-scale farmers are efficient at producing food. But the domination of huge companies known as agribusiness means that they often face little choice about what they grow or how they grow it.

The UK government is backing big businesses that are putting profit first and accelerating the climate crisis. For example, from 2013-2019 the UK spent at least £125.5m of aid money in Nigeria on fossil fuel-based fertiliser, which was five times as much as it spent supporting local farmers. Email the Foreign Secretary: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/102736/action/1>

First Holy Communion

Please remember in your prayers our young parishioners who are continuing to prepare for their First Holy Communion, Sunday 10 July, 10.30am Mass. Pray, too, for their families, and our catechists.

Please pray for ...

Those who have died recently. Ethelreda Hodgson, Elaine Stajniack (niece of Helena Leaper), Anthony Doyle, Barry Robinson.

Those who are ill or infirm. Pat Errington, Anthony Monks, Rita Whittaker, Paula Seager, John Bolton, Margaret Brocklehurst, O Murphy, Rory Montgomery, Tony Clark, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Caroline Rigby, Tony Blunt, Philippa Haynes, Yvonne Shaw, Anne Hunt, Jean Andrews, Tony Smith, 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: Raymond Stopforth, Ian Michael Gornall, Elizabeth Woodruff, David Francis Condon, Francis Grayston, Charles Price, Ada Annie Oxby, Joan Billington, Terry Fitzpatrick, Canon Michael Taylor, Joseph Nugent, Ellen Kelsall, Jane Winstanley, James Marsden, Joseph Colin Richmond, and Philomena May.