

Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day of Prayer for Seafarers

9 July 2023

Sat	8	G	6.00pm	Mass	Intentions of Deacon D'Arcy & family
Sun	9	S	8.30am	Mass	People of our Parishes
		G	10.30am	Mass & First Communions	
					John Bolton <i>RIP</i> [L]
Mon	10	S	10.00am	Mass	Revd John Horn <i>RIP-ordination anniversary</i>
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Wed	12	G	6.30pm	Mass	Tom Rigby <i>2nd anniversary</i>
			7.00pm	Rosary	<i>in our homes</i>
Thu	13	S	10.00am	Mass	Intentions of Noreen Bryce <i>poorly</i>
Fri	14	G	11.30am	Funeral Liturgy	Margaret Price

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	15	G	6.00pm	Mass	Roger Horn <i>lately dead</i> [CH]
Sun	16	S	8.30am	Mass	People of our Parishes
		G	10.30am	Mass	Jean Andrews <i>RIP</i> [L]
		G	12.15pm	Burial of Ashes	Tony Clark

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to our young parishioners who are making their First Holy Communion, **Sunday 10 July**, 10.30am Mass.

Emily, George, Isaac, Jude, Matthew, Monty, Nancy, Rose, Scarlett, and Xavier.

Gifts and cards are available from the church shop.

Sincere thanks to our hard-working and dedicated catechists: Helen Crone, Fiona Brooks, Mrs Naylor, and Elodie Rennie-Bloor.

Special collection : Apostleship of the Sea : this weekend

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions.

In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health.

On **Sea Sunday, 9 July**, we pray for all who live and work at sea. Our support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable *Stella Maris* (formerly called *Apostleship of the Sea*) to continue its important work. Thank you.

Cafod's Fix the food system campaign

The focus of the campaign this year is seeds: protecting the freedom of farmers to choose which seeds they use to grow food. Small-scale farmers grow nearly half of the world's food.

Next weekend at Mass, **15-16 July**, there will be a brief talk to explain the background, and a large letter will be on display for all parishioners of all ages to sign to show their support. It is not a petition as such (no addresses) but will be handed in to the World Bank before their important meeting in Morocco in October.

This is an opportunity to show solidarity with small farmers who grow our food, but who don't have control over the seeds they use and who are being kept in poverty because of large companies and new laws forcing them to buy expensive seeds.

Help needed

With Deacon D'Arcy in hospital, Garstang parish needs folk who are willing to count and deposit the collection money and other income.

The task need not be done every week, thanks to the number of parishioners who now donate to the parish by Standing Orders. However, we do need to implement a routine as a matter of priority. Perhaps a couple of couples?

Mission Unleashed: an event with Cardinal Tagle

The Church has a mission but what is it? And how should we do it? Cardinal Tagle of the Philippines has responsibilities for evangelisation and mission in the Vatican and is an inspirational speaker.

Join CAFOD online for *Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation*, **Friday 14 July**, 7.00-8.30pm.

Please see www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation to book your place for this webinar and be sent the recording. All welcome.

Pilgrimage climb

The *John Bradburne Memorial Society* is holding a pilgrimage climb on Cross Fell, Cumbria, **Saturday 15 July**. Bishop Paul will be taking part, and there will be Mass beforehand in St John the Evangelist church, Skirwith, at 10.00am. Flyers are at the back of both churches. For more information visit www.johnbradburne.com, or e-mail Kate at info@johnbradburne.com.

Catholicism and Contemporary Culture

This course is offered at the Christian Heritage Centre, Stonyhurst, **3-6 August**. It will explore the themes of truth, reality and sacramentality, and the differences in the Catholic and secular conceptions of these. The course will be of particular support to teachers of RE, catechists and those working with youth and young adults.

For full details, <https://christianheritagecentre.com/>, or see the poster at the back of both churches.

Barbara Rogerson RIP & Margaret Collinson RIP

Scorton parish gratefully acknowledges donations given in memory of our late parishioners: £190.25, Barbara Rogerson; £194.30, Margaret Collinson.

Many thanks ...

... to **Fr John Gibson**, who presided at the Masses while Fr Geoffrey was on holiday, to: those in both parishes who opened church and prepared everything for Mass; those who kept an eye on the properties; those who monitored e-mails and phone messages.

Garstang Parish Draw

Congratulations go to Philippa Catterall and Celia Horn for being our June winners. We have some free numbers available for this year if anyone would like to join in with our Monthly draw or have more than one number.

Please contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon via the parish office.

Tony Clark RIP

Garstang parish gratefully acknowledges a bequest of £250 from the estate of our late parishioner, Tony Clark.

When preparing or revising your will, please remember your parish. In this way, just as we benefit from the generosity of those who have gone before us, so those who follow us will benefit from our generosity to them.

Please pray for ...

Those who have died recently. Meava Cowburn (10 days old), Margaret Price, Revd Tony Edwards (deacon of the diocese), Eileen Bevins, Roger Horn.

Those who are ill or infirm. Deacon D'Arcy Ryan, Carley Cowburn, Noreen Hargreaves, Mary Purkis, Harold Jepson, Frank Davis, Fr Harry Holden, Federico Lema, Mary McCann, Fr Bob Horn, Pat Errington, Rita Whittaker, Margaret Brocklehurst, Rory Montgomery, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Philippa Haynes, 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, Jessica Holmes.

Those whose anniversary we keep. Ruairi Lambert-Heysham, Henry Wearden, Agnes Bamber, Joseph Bugeja, Brian Winstanley, Pat Salles, Robert Spenser, Frederick Lyford, Harry Nickson, Agnes Evans, Agnes Bullen, Thomas Wells, George and Mary Pyke, Edwin Seed, Mary Thompson, Christina Bateson, Rita Mary Moreland, Mary Wrennall, Ann Swift, Patricia Maguire, Agnes Imelda Taylor, Mary Cowburn and Margaret Mary Thompson.