

Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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Second Sunday of Lent

5 March 2023

Sat	4	G	6.00pm	Mass	Revd John Horn <i>RIP</i>
Sun	5	S	8.30am	Mass	People of our Parishes
		G	10.30am	Mass	Maureen Ingleby <i>anniversary</i>
Mon	6	G	11.00am	Funeral Liturgy : Roger Slater	
			1.00pm	Burial of Ashes : Nancy Bamber	
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Wed	8	G	6.30pm	Mass	Alice <i>RIP</i> & John Towers <i>anniversary</i>
			7.00pm	Rosary	<i>in our homes</i>
Thu	9	S	10.00am	Mass	Jean Andrews <i>lately dead</i> [PC]
		G	12 noon	Burial of Ashes : Mary Swarbrick	
Fri	10	G	10.00am	Mass	Thomas & Eleanor Bolton <i>RIP</i> [V]
			10.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		S	1.00pm	Wedding of Katie Kozlowska & Garth Drew	
		G	6.30pm	Stations of the Cross	

Third Sunday of Lent

Sat	11	G	6.00pm	Mass	People of our Parishes
Sun	12	S	8.30am	Mass	Fr Michael Tully & parents <i>RIP</i>
		G	10.30am	Mass	Intentions of Tony Clark

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent appeal

This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today using the envelope or <https://cafod.org.uk/give> and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.

Lent : Stations of the Cross

Once again, I want very much to encourage parishioners from either parish to lead the Stations of the Cross, Fridays of Lent, 6.30pm at Garstang: individuals, couples, friends, parish groups. If you're willing to take a turn, please let me know. **Anyone for next week, please?** Thank you, Fr Geoffrey

Liturgy of Reconciliation

We will celebrate the Lenten Liturgy of Reconciliation for our parishes on **Saturday 18 March**, 10.00am, at Garstang.

Lenten Lunches 2023

These ecumenical lunches will again be held in Garstang United Reformed Church Hall from 12 noon to 1.00pm. We have been asked to cater with soup, bread and cheese on **Wednesday 29 March**.

The only payment requested from those attending is a donation to Christian Aid. If you are able to help by donating food or a couple of hours to serve, please contact Philippa Catterall on 01995 238331 *by 20 February*.

Evenings of Conversation – Reflection – Prayer

The Scottish Laity Network is offering a series of reflections for Lent on *The Common Good*, **Thursdays**, 7.00-8.30pm. <http://scottishlaitynetwork.org.uk>.

9 March, Gender and the Common Good; Tina Beattie.

16 March, Politics and the Common Good; Philippa Whitford.

23 March, Synodality and the Common Good; Birgit Weiler.

30 March, Liturgy and the Common Good; Tom O'Loughlin.

To register: <https://forms.gle/uwnKfFp8pjJVPuEq7>

Garstang Parish Draw yearly subs

It is that time of year again that we ask you to pay your yearly subs. Yearly subs will stay at £20 per number for the coming year.

This year we would like as many of you as possible to pay by standing order-on line or direct with your bank. This has worked well over the last couple of years and we're soon going to be hit with hefty bank charges.

Below are ways you can pay this year's subs:

1. If you already have a yearly standing order in place – no action is required.
2. By setting up a yearly standing order-on-line or direct with your bank (see details below).
3. By making a one-off BACs payment for this year's subs (see details below).
4. If you are not in a position to pay by standing order please make your payment by cheque or cash. Place a Cheque (see details below) / Cash in an envelope enclosing your full name, address and contact number. Label the envelope 'Parish Draw Subs' and drop in at the presbytery or place in the collection tray at the back of church.
5. This year we will also be collecting subs before and after each mass next weekend, 11-12 March.

BACs Payments to be set up by 31 March 2023. **Bank details:** LRCDTR Charity No 234331 Parish of SS Mary & Michael - Draw Account. (*On-line set up select – add Business*). Account no: 01589091; Sort Code: 40-27-02 Bank: HSBC. **Please use your full name as the reference so we can match the payment against our list of members.**

Cheques made payable to: SS Mary & Michael Parish Draw.

If you have any problems with any of the above payment methods this year, please contact us via the Parish office ssmm.bonds@btinternet.com (*please put Parish Draw in the subject heading*) or 01995-602164 please leave your name and number and we will contact you as soon as we can.

Handel's Messiah

The Lancaster Singers will be performing the *Messiah*, **Saturday 18 March**, 8.00pm, Lancaster cathedral. Tickets online at www.lancastersingers.org, from 07956-115126, and at the door.

National Novena to St Joseph

This will take place, **11-19 March**. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you would like to join in Masses from St Joseph's church, Maidenhead, they will be available to follow on Zoom via the Mill Hill website www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena, Saturdays 11 & 18, 10.00am, Sundays 12 & 19, 11.00am, and on Monday 13 & Friday 17, 7.30pm.

There are two Novena booklets available from the church porch. Please take one if you would like to follow the prayers throughout the Novena.

Garstang Parish Draw

Congratulations go to Frances Johnson & Christine Stuart for being our February winners. If you would like to know more about our Parish Draw contact Trish & Kev O'Hanlon via the parish office.

Please pray for ...

Those who have died recently. Yvonne Stewart, Dorothy Relton (wife of Joe), Roger Slater, Stephen Sartin.

Those who are ill or infirm. Fr Michael O'Dowd (Liverpool priest, friend of Fr G), Evelyn Steel, Mary Purkis, Harold Jepson, Frank Davis, Fr Harry Holden, Federico Lema, Mary McCann, Fr Bob Horn, Pat Errington, Anthony Monks, Rita Whittaker, Margaret Brocklehurst, Rory Montgomery, Tony Clark, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Tony Blunt, 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. Elizabeth Griffin, Jane Brown, Annie Grayston, Maureen Hollis (20th anniversary), Maureen Ingleby, George Pearce, Mary Ann Smith, John Conway, Mary Bevins, Madeleine Looby, Alice Ann Lydiate, Dorothy Nugent, Ellen Moxham, The Cookson and Hine Families, Edward Hodgson, Joan McCall, Richard Hogarth, Leo Wells, Constance Mary Rogers, Marie Kelly, Alice Lillian Henderson, Thomas Bolton, John Towers, Alice Rustidge, Jane Fleming, Sue Tomlinson, Ellen Ryan and John Smith.