

Catholic Parishes of Garstang & Scorton

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Remembrance Sunday

13 November 2022

Sat 12 **G** 6.00pm **Mass** Gordon Johnson *1st anniversary*

Sun 13 **S** 8.30am **Mass** People of our Parishes

G 10.30am **Mass** 80th birthday intentions [v]

Mon 14 ---

Tue 15 ---

Wed 16 **G** 6.30pm **Mass** Peter Cole *anniversary*

Thu 17 **St Hilda abbess of Whitby**

S 10.00am **Mass** Patrick Burton *RIP-birthday*

Fri 18 **G** 10.00am **Mass** Justin Coe *lately dead* [T1]

G 10.30am **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sat 19 **G** 12.15pm **Baptism : Harry John Cross**

Christ the King

(Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Sat 19 **G** 6.00pm **Mass** People of our Parishes

Sun 20 **S** 8.30am **Mass** Sarah A Davies *RIP*

G 10.30am **Mass** Alma Goddard *lately dead* [M+P]

Lancaster 'Life' AGM

The AGM will take place on **Tuesday 22 November**, 7.00pm for 7.30pm, St Bernadette's Social Centre, Bowerham Road, Lancaster LA1 4HT.

The main work of the volunteers is helping to send out free pregnancy tests, around 200 each weekend, and then supporting the 12% of women who return to *Life* for support.

The Big Quiz

To help raise much needed funds for the work required in our cemetery, we are holding a quiz night, **Saturday 26 November**, 7.15pm, in our community centre on Castle Lane. See the poster at the back of church.

Raffle prizes and refreshments will be gratefully received, as will any offers of help. Come along, bring friends, for a fun and perhaps enlightening evening out! *Jen Horn*

Dates for your diary

- Advent Liturgy of Reconciliation, **Saturday 3 December**, 10.00am, SSMM.
- Concert by Lancaster Singers and children from our school, **Friday 9 December**, 7.30pm, SSMM.

Cafod : harvest collection : world gifts

In total £791.48, Garstang, and £90.00, Scorton, has been forwarded to Cafod from the Harvest Fast Day collection.

CAFOD'S World Gifts make a thoughtful gift for those who are difficult to buy for and especially for posting overseas. The gifts can also be emailed if you prefer and are a great way of not contributing to the waste and unwanted gifts for a more sustainable Christmas.

Catalogues will be arriving in November, but you can purchase them online now at www.cafod.org.uk.

Hummingbirds lottery

Our parish educational nursery, Hummingbirds, has launched a lottery to help raise much-needed funds. (Online only.)

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk>

select **Buy a Ticket**; type in **Hummingbirds** and press **Search**.

Our Lady's Catholic College : Uganda project report

Some months ago, students from OLCC Lancaster spoke at Mass about their forthcoming trip to Uganda. At the back of both churches are copies of their Feedback Report on the work they were able to carry out. Please take one.

Manus Adamson : many thanks ...

... to Manus for his decades of faithful and expert service on Garstang's Property & finance committee. Projects completed recently under Manus' guidance include the re-roofing of the church and house, and the repair and restoration of the tower. I'm grateful and relieved that Manus' counsel will still be available to me.

This leads me to renew my appeal for someone in the parish to be our lead person in matters to do with the property and parish estate.

The grounds and buildings at St Mary & St Michael's are a rich heritage in our care, of which we are rightly proud.

To ensure its continuing care, we need someone who will be our key link between the parish and: the diocesan Property Office, the various tradespeople who come onto the parish estate to carry out repairs and improvements, and our various parishioner-volunteers who help in the grounds or the buildings.

If this is an area of parish life in which you might be able to serve, or know of someone who might be, please have a word with me. *Fr Geoffrey*

Warm Spaces initiative

Churches in Garstang are opening warm spaces on weekdays during the winter. Our contribution is to offer a warm space in the Plessington Chapel, 10.30am-12.30pm, **Saturdays 10, 17, and 24 December**. We will launch the scheme on **Saturday 3 December**, 11.30am-12.30pm, after our Advent Liturgy of Reconciliation.

Warmth and company, as well as free tea, coffee, biscuits and mince pies will be available to anyone who would like to come along. (The provision will be reviewed at the end of the year.)

To make this venture a success we need people to help on the day and/or to offer biscuits, mince pies, etc. If you would like to assist in any way, please contact Helen Forshaw 01995 603944 or email: hm.forshaw@btinternet.com.

St Paul Sunday Missal 2023

If you'd like a personal copy of the 2023 edition of the St Paul Sunday Missal, cost £8.00, depending on the numbers ordered: e-mail the parish office, phone and leave a message, post a note through the letter box, or leave a note on the collection plate.

Deadline for orders: **20 November**.

Lancaster & District Homeless Action Service

LDHAS is preparing for their Christmas shelter. They'll provide their clients with meals and a place to shelter during the day in a congenial atmosphere.

It seems likely that there will be increasing demand for their services.

If you'd like to support this important work:

- Bank transfer: Account name: LDHAS; 40-52-40; 00031967; Ref. "Shelter2022".
- Cheque payable to LDHAS. Post to: LDHAS-Finance, Edward Street, Lancaster LA1 1QH.

For more information, visit www.ldhas.org.uk.

Please pray for ...

Those who have died recently. Cecilia Anne Hume, Mary Murphy (sister of Elizabeth Pinfold), Don Porteous, Doreen Lewis, John Bolton.

Those who are ill or infirm. Federico Lema (brother of Alejandra Banchemo), Mary McCann, Fr Bob Horn, Pat Errington, Anthony Monks, Rita Whittaker, Margaret Brocklehurst, Oonagh Murphy, Rory Montgomery, Tony Clark, Mary Jo Counsell, Theresa Thompson, Caroline Nurse, Caroline Rigby, Tony Blunt, Philippa Haynes, Yvonne Shaw, Anne Hunt, Jean Andrews, 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: William Helme, Louis Gornall, Angela Wallbank, Margaret Dilworth, John Cookson, George Gidlow, William E. Barton, Imelda Newsham, Joan Baines, Barbara Berry, Mary Coope, Peter Cole, Elizabeth Richmond, Madge Holliday, Stephanie McDonald, Tony Hickey and John Francis Rigby.