

**St Mary and St Michael's Catholic Church
Garstang and Calder Vale
and
Sts Mary & James, Scorton**

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)



"...Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted."

New items and information

St John Plessington's Feast Day which was on 19th July, is being celebrated in our church **this Sunday, 29th July**. There will be bacon butties and refreshments served in the Plessington Chapel after the 10.30 am Mass!

Request for Cakes The North West Children's Support Group are going on their annual holiday to Leeds on Sunday 5th August and once again we would be grateful for donations of cakes for our picnics and evening snacks. We will be a group of about 65 people including 20 children with disabilities, and we can eat a lot of cake in a week! Your baking is always greatly appreciated by children and helpers! Could any cakes either be left in the porch at the back of church or dropped off at Helen and Barry Whittaker's house at 24 Moss Lane, Garstang (Tel: 01995 600254 or Debbie McCann on 01995 601354) by **Saturday 4th August**. Many thanks as always for your generous support.

'Fairtrade under threat' – We have received a letter from CAFOD about Sainsbury's Supermarket's decision to remove the Fairtrade Mark from some of their most popular own-brand tea, and to pilot their own 'Fairly Traded' scheme instead. Now the pilot phase of Sainsbury's 'Fairly Traded' tea is over; they said that their approach would not leave

farmers out of pocket and that it would have more positive outcomes, such as allowing increased investment in enhanced environmental measures. CAFOD want them to prove that they were right, and asks them about the impacts on the lives of farmers and producers. There was news in April that Sainsbury's hopes to buy ASDA, to become the largest supermarket in the UK, and CAFOD hopes very much that Sainsbury's will keep its commitment to Fairtrade in this move. At the back of church there are copies of a letter written to Sainsbury's, asking how their pilot has impacted on the lives of producers. Please would you consider supporting Fairtrade by signing a copy and handing it in to your local Sainsbury's store? *Thank you*

Aid to the Church in Need Job Advertisement: This international charity is hiring for a new role in their Lancaster office. The administrative Officer will provide key administrative support to the ACN North West office. The role is office based: 20 hours per week, over 5 days. For more information or to apply visit: www.acn.org/about/jobs-and-volunteering/ or call 01524 388739.

Please prayer for the repose of the soul of: Dr Martin Thomson, RIP, who died recently. His funeral Mass will be here at SS Mary & Michael's on Friday 3rd August, at 9.30am.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at about this time in Garstang and Scorton: Fred Oxby, Ronnie Johnson, Elizabeth Wardle, Teresa Tully, Margaret Dickinson, Helen Mary Beale, Beatrice Horn, Robert Berry, Margaret Hine, Anne Elizabeth Dawson, James Booth and James Birchall. *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: Maria Madej, Wendy Seed, Graham Markham (Australia), Charlie Robinson (2 years old), John Bisby, Louise Gornall, Bernie Murphy, Jim Cowburn, Jules Flanagan, 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 Copple, 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.)*

Previously Published Items

Garstang Friends of Chivuna/Two Garstang Scenes – A recent visit to our parish by a Sister of the Holy Spirit in Monze diocese, where Chivuna lies, was the occasion of an extremely interesting and informative talk. She told of the great progress made by the Chivuna Health Centre as a result of the support provided over the past 18 years by our parish. It now seems likely that the clinic will be elevated to the status of District Hospital. To raise funds, Mrs J W Carmichael, a talented artist of Scorton, has very kindly and generously provided us with two beautiful paintings of great local interest; one is of the Tithe Barn, the other the Farmers Arms. These are to be raffled in Garstang following the St John Plessington Mass on this Sunday 29th July. Tickets costing £1 each are still available this weekend. I know you will give generously so that the great work in Chivuna can continue. *Frank Carter – Chair, Garstang Friends of Chivuna*

Hummingbirds has two vacancies for Early Years' Practitioners, part-time but permanent. Contact Janet (07796 555 231) for details and application form. Closing date for applications is 4th August 2018.

Feast of the Lancaster Martyrs – Tuesday, 7th August, at St Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster. Holy Mass at 12.15 pm, followed by pilgrimage to site of martyrdom. Transport is available if needed.

The SVP is seeking to recruit an 1833 Research and Project Development Officer to review, re-model, project plan and potentially produce resources for our programme for 18-30 year olds in preparation for a service re-launch in Sept 2019. £27k pa pro rata; 3 days a week; one year contract. Home-based with national travel. Closing date: 10:00 on Wednesday 25th July 2018. Interviews: Thursday 26th July 2018. Start date: Wednesday 29th August 2018. For more details & application pack, please visit the vacancies section of the SVP website: <https://www.svp.org.uk/>. See poster at back of church.

Annual Pilgrimage to the Diocesan shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cleator – Sunday, 2nd September. The principal celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Paul Swarbrick. Young people aged 16+ are invited to walk in pilgrimage from Honister across Haystacks into Ennerdale and then on to Cleator. Their journey begins at Castlerigg Manor on Friday 31st August. The youth can register their interest in joining the walk by contacting Father John at Castlerigg – tel. 017687 72711. See poster at the back of church.

Noddfa Retreat 2018 for anyone who would like to experience a retreat in the peace and tranquillity of this special place. Date: Monday 10th to Friday 14th September 2018. Cost: stays the same at £200, including full board. Special food requirements can be catered for. As previously advertised, we are putting a list at the back of church for your names and contact details if interested in going. There is also a poster giving more information. For any queries please contact Jean Andrews on 01995 603802.

Lancaster Faith and Justice Commission – Upcoming events include:

9th August Anniversary of Hiroshima/Nagasaki www.paxchristi.org.uk.

24-27th August Greenbelt Festival www.greenbelt.org.uk.

1st September World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation www.ourcommonhome.

29th Sept - 5th Oct Good Money Week www.goodmoneyweek.com.

14th October Canonisation of Archbishop Oscar Romero in Rome.

For newsletter see <http://www.lancasterfaithandjustice.co.uk>.

Wednesday Word – copies of the Wednesday Word for the Mass of Sunday, 5th August, can be found on green paper at the back of church. If you would like a copy, please help yourself.

Psalm response at the 10.30am Mass:

Mass Times & Intentions, Saturday 28th July – Sunday 5th August 2018

Sat	28 th	6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	Tony Hall (Birthday Anniversary)
Sun	29 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	Anne Gelderd
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Michael O'Neill
Mon	30 th	No Mass	
Tue	31 st	12 noon (Scorton)	Helen Beale
Wed	1 st Aug	7.00 pm (Garstang)	James Topping (Lately Dead)
Thurs	2 nd	9.30 am (Scorton)	Price-Jones, Hull and Ackers Families
Fri	3 rd	9.30 am (Garstang)	Dr Martin Thomson – Funeral Mass
Sat	4 th	9.30 am (Garstang)	All Our Parishioners
		6.00 pm (Vigil) (Garstang)	William and Ellen Greenall
Sun	5 th	8.30 am (Scorton)	Antonie Biermann
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Fr John McNamara - Diamond Jubilee

Devotions and Celebrations this week:

Sun	29 th	Celebration of the Feast of St John Plessington	
Wed	1 st Aug	6.45 pm (Garstang)	Rosary
Fri	3 rd	No Exposition – Funeral Mass at 9.30	
Sat	4 th	9.00 am (Scorton)	Saturday Liturgy Service
		10 - 10.30am (Garstang)	Confessions

Special Days this week:

Sun	29 th	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Tue	31 st	St Ignatius of Loyola
Wed	1 st Aug	St Alphonsus, Bishop & Doctor
Sat	4 th	St John Vianney
Sun	5 th	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Meetings this Week:

Wed	1 st Aug	10am – 12 noon	Coffee Morning (Plessington Chapel)
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice (Plessington Chapel)

Last Week's Attendance:

Sun	22 nd	6.00 pm (Garstang)	Adults: 134	Children: 7	Total: 141
		8.30 am (Scorton)			Total: 53
		10.30 am (Garstang)	Adults: 104	Children: 27	Total: 131

Monies Received last week:

Garstang: Offertory (Including Standing Orders): £1,056.50; Good Shepherd Fund: £269.85; Shop: £30.00; Peter's Pence: £74.40; Cemetery: £100.00; Wedding: £400.00. **Many thanks to you all.**

Scorton: Offertory (Including Standing Orders): £233.39; Good Shepherd Fund: £54.50; Piety Stall: £4.50; Votive Lights: £5.88. **Many thanks to you all.**

Churches Together in Garstang & District

Ecumenical Morning Prayer is held at 7.45 am each Tuesday in July at Garstang URC and in August at SS Mary & Michael's.

Hymns at 6.00 pm (Garstang):

Ent.	371	For all the saints
Gloria:	998	Salazar
G.A.		Celtic
Off:	609	In bread we bring you, Lord
Sanctus:	553	Celtic
Amen:		
Com:		
Rec:	356	Hail Queen of Heaven

Hymns at 10.30 am Mass (Garstang):

Ent:	475	Gather us in
Gloria:	527	Duffy
G.A.		Triple + missal
Off:	609	In bread we bring you, Lord...
S,M,D:	570, 571b, 572	– Revised Gathering Mass
A.D:	591	Celtic
Com 1)	938	Soul of my Saviour
2)	698	Laudate Dominum
Rec:	Sep Sheet	In honour of St John Plessington (tune of 'Breathe on me breath of God')