Diary Events This Week:

SUN 8th May: 9.30am: Children's Liturgy; 10.30am: 1st Communion (6); 1.00pm: Indian Dance Class. 4.30pm: Young Adults Group (20-30+); MONDAY: 9.00am: Pre-School Club*; 3.20pm: After-School Club* 6.00pm: Cubs; 7.30pm: Scouts; TUESDAY: Seekers, GFF Youth Group; 7.30pm: Prayer Group; WEDNESDAY: 6.30pm: Irish Dance Class; THURSDAY: 6.15pm: Beavers; FRIDAY: 6.30pm: Porch Fundraising; SATURDAY: 8.00am: Car Boot Sale; 9.00am: Pilates; 10.00am: Confirmation (6); 10.30am: Spanish Class; 1.30pm: Messy Church; 7.30pm; AA Meeting. * These events each day Mon – Fri.

Advance Diary Dates: May 15th>1st Communion (7); 16th> Social Committee; 29th> Deanery Corpus Christi Procession; June 4th> Car Wash; 11th> Car Boot Sale; 19th> First Holy Communion Mass; 24th> Summer Fair; 25th> Day of Renewal; 26th> Confirmation Mass; July 2nd> Car Wash; 9th> Car Boot Sale; Sponsored Walk; Messy Church; 10th> Parish Family Day.

PARISH PETITION BOOK

near Our Lady's statue. For your intentions which will be prayed for at the Sunday Masses and at other times.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL: First Saturday - 10.00am Mass.

Blest medals available,

ABORTION RECOVERY HELPLINE Arch can help: 0845 603 8501- Poster

SAFEGUARDING

Parish Safeguarding Officers are Mike Simpson and Brenda Scales **NEW TO THE PARISH?** Or if you have changed: email, phone or address? Please complete the *Details Update Form* available in the porch.

CENACOLO COMMUNITY:

Thank you for your support with gifts

PRESTON FOOD BANK Thanks for last collection. Next: 21/22 May

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to help with the youth groups on Tues evening. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week in term time please see Fr. D. or email frdarren@saintclares.co.uk Age range school years 4-6 & 7-11.

FROM THE PTFA

Used Batteries / Mobile Phones please place in box in porch. Funds to Bosnia

St. Clare's School

Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, Preston PR2 9HH Tel 01772 787037 Fax 01772 787016 Email: head@st-clares.lancs.sch.uk Headteacher: Mrs A Charnley.



ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD 8th May 2016



'God goes up with shouts of joy,' so says today's psalm. Yes, we have reached the Feast of the Ascension of our Lord. This is such a significant feast; in Jesus' ascension our humanity breaks new barriers, for the first time our human flesh finds a place in heaven. God took on flesh at the incarnation but in the ascension that flesh finds a place in the realms of the divine. But he leaves us, 'not as orphans' for he shall return in the Spirit to guide us for ever.



MESSY CHURCH: May 14th Theme: *Mary* 1.30-3pm: Parish Hall. All denominations and ages welcome.

PARISH RECIPE BOOK

We hope to compile one of these with *your* favourite recipes and then sell them to raise funds for the Church Porch Extension. Please hand your recipes to Fr. L. with your name on them.

RACE NIGHT Fri 13th May -7pm

in the Parish Hall
Tickets: £2 Adult, Children: Free
Food, tea & coffee available
Bring your own bottles

CAR BOOT SALE Sat 14th May

from 8am Stalls £10 each, book asap contact Ann -07960 117173 Refreshments and Cakes Proceeds from both events to Youth Pilgrimage Fund.

Priests: Christopher Loughran & Darren Carden. Deacon: Fred Sanderson.
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MASSES THIS WEEK: 8th May: - Mass Book Page 277

Office: Proper of Easter: Psalter Wk. 3; Sunday: Cycle C; Weekdays of Easter

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

6pm: Bernard Judge RIP Vigil

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: People of the Parish 6pm: Sr. Anne Donockley RIP

Collection: World Communications Day

Monday 7th Week of Easter

9am: ML - Sick 5.15pm: Mass in RPH

Tuesday 7th Week of Easter

7pm: Barbara Little RIP

Wednesday 7th Week of Easter

9am: Teresa & Eddy Drake RIP

7.30pm: Liturgy of the Word with the NeoCatechumenal Community

Thursday 7th Week of Easter

7pm: Special Intention (GH)

Friday Our Lady of Fatima
Noon: Alice Breakell RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

Saturday ST. MATTHIAS 10am: Teresa Baines RIP

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

6pm: Michael Thornton RIP Vigil

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: People of the Parish 6pm: Gerard Mason RIP

LATELY DEAD: Paul Greenwood.

ANNIVERSARIES: Thomas Lupton, Edna Kiely, Philip Baker, Winifred Hedley,

Ann Walmsley, Freda Robinson.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for May: 1. That in every country in the world, women may be honoured and respected and that their essential contribution to society may be highly esteemed. 2. That families, communities, and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelisation and peace.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: with the *Lancaster Diocese* 22nd -29th July led by Bishop Campbell. Brochures and further details in the porch.

MEDJUGORJE VISIT: Aug 27th to Sept 3rd See poster

DEANERY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Sun 29th May at 2.30pm See poster and sign-up sheet on the notice board.

FAITH & JUSTICE: 2 events at St Wilfrid's. See posters in porch.

EXPOSITION: Sat 10.30am-Noon

Intention: for priestly vocations

CONFESSIONS:

Sat 11-12 noon.

Or by appointment

Rosarv for Life

Challenge- The

Mysteries of Light will be

prayed each day after the

9am Masses and before

the Friday noon Mass, for

this intention

THIS IS THE

EXTRAORDINARY

JUBILEE HOLY YEAR

OF MERCY

GIFT AID: A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted. Please notify me if you are *no longer a tax payer* or you paid insufficient tax during 2015/16 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year, at the present rate of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1

CONGRATULATIONS: to Emma Minnis & Oliver Simpson baptised here last

donated". Thanks to all those in the scheme especially those newly signed-up. Those who did not receive envelopes please see a priest after Mass.

PARISH MAGAZINE: Latest Edition available in the porch.

weekend.

200 CLUB: Draw 15th May. Prizes: £150, £90 & £60. Numbers still available.

BAPTISM COURSE: Mondays 9th, 16th & 23rd May. Details from Fr. Darren.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: (aged 20-30+) Meets each Sunday (except 3rd Sunday). All welcome. Contact Rosey: pinkandrosey@hotmail.com;

PENTECOST SONGS OF PRAISE: Churches Together: May 15th 3pm at Christ Church, Fulwood.

VOCATIONS DISCOVERY WEEKEND: Fri.10th to Sun 12th June. Hawkshead, Lake District for men 20+. Info: Fr. Darren & poster.

ST. EDWARD'S: Ladies Group Thurs. 12th May at 8pm. Presentation: 'North West Blood Bikes,' a charity which transports blood to emergency situations.

A LIFE GROUP IN PRESTON: Need help to re-establish in Preston? It is a loving service. LIFE CEO will be at St Edward's at 1.30pm on **Tues 17th May** to meet interested people. If you can't attend, but are interested please ring 862437.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Sat 14th May in Birmingham. Coach from St Walburge's. See poster or visit: http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/home

SPIRITUAL SPA DAY FOR WOMEN: Come and be refreshed in the Living Water - A day for women to experience the renewing love of God. Sat 11th June visit: www.coretlumenchristi.org Tel: 016973 45623.

AN EASY WAY TO RAISE MONEY! If you are booking a holiday/renewing Car or Home Insurance or Tele/Broadband contracts many companies will make a donation to *St Clare's New Porch Fund* visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk

CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE: June 17th-19th, Liverpool Hope Uni poster.

LIVING FULLY 2016: Disability, Culture & Faith. Symposium in Rome poster

BOARBANK HALL: *Thinking Scripture* June & July. **Also**, *Autumn Break* with Guest Speakers see leaflets.

CAFOD: Two talks – 'Our work in Peru & Zimbabwe' Mon 16/5 & 'Why we can't afford the rich' Mon 23/5 both from 7pm at St. Wilfrid's, Preston.

LAST WEEK: Attended: 413; Collection: £994.21; Thank you.