

Diary Events This Week:

SUN 30th Mar	9.30am:	Children's Liturgy
	10.30am:	First Communion Group (6)
MONDAY:	9.00am:	Pre-School Club*
	3.20pm:	After-School Club*
	6.00pm:	Cubs
	7.45pm:	Scouts
TUESDAY:	*	Usual activities*
	7.30pm:	Prayer Group
	6.00pm:	Youth Group (Seekers)
WEDNESDAY:	*	Usual activities*
	6.00 pm:	Brownies & Rainbows
THURSDAY:	*	Usual activities*
	6.15pm:	Beavers
	7.45pm:	Journey in Faith
FRIDAY:	*	Usual activities*
	7.30pm:	Youth Group (WDY)
SATURDAY:	7.30pm:	AA Meeting

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

Advance Diary Dates: April: 6th > First Communion Group (7): **7th** > PPC: **28th** > Social Committee.

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:
Next Saturday- 10am Mass.
Blest medals available,

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: 2014
11th May; 29th June
Tel Barbara Ryan - 01772 717131

NEW TO THE PARISH? Or have you changed: email, phone or address? Then please complete the Details Update Form available in the

CENACOLO COMMUNITY: Thank you for your support with gifts of food.

PRESTON FOOD BANK Thanks for last time; next date **19/21 April**

CALLING ALL STUDENTS: (16+) See details on notice board of Sunday evening meetings February / March.

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ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, Preston
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
30th March 2014



In today's Gospel passage we see Jesus curing the man born blind but there is more to it than just a healing. Jesus tackles and debunks the common thought that suffering, such as blindness, is a consequence of sin; that this is God visiting punishment upon those who are evil. Suffering comes to good and bad people alike, it is part of our human condition. Jesus teaches us that it is not the wrath of God.

LENTEN ACTIVITIES
Mon. to Fri. 7am – 8am Exposition with Morning Prayer at 7.45am
Tues. Prayer Group 7.30pm.
Wed. Liturgy of the Word 26/3, & 9/4 at 7.30pm
Fri. Lent Soup Lunch: 12.30pm.
First Fri. Eucharistic Holy Hour: 7-8 pm
Sat. Exposition: 10.30am – 12 noon
Sun. Stations of the Cross: 3pm

LENT HOUSE GROUPS:
This week – All welcome. Venues:
Mon:
25, Heversham Ave. 7-8pm
Tues:
Sharoe Bay Court 2-3pm
Wed:
308, Sharoe Green Lane. 7-8pm
Thurs:
13, York Ave. 7-8pm
Fri:
2. Woodlands Drive 7-8pm

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Musicians and Catechists
FIRST FRIDAY – 4th April at 7pm - Holy Hour of Devotion
FIRST SATURDAY – 5th April Mass 10am - Miraculous Medal Novena

Priests: Frs. Christopher Loughran & Darren Carden. Deacon: Fred Sanderson. (Ret'd)
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MASSES THIS WEEK: 30th Mar 2014. – Mass Book Page 164

Office: Psalter Week 4, Readings: Sunday: Cycle A: Weekdays: of Lent

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

6.00pm: Alice Christian RIP **Vigil Mass**

9.30am: Mary Smith RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish

Monday Lent week 4

9.00am: Shirley Gilleade RIP

5.15pm: **Mass in RPH**

Tuesday Lent week 4

7.00pm: Ray Hodges RIP

Wednesday Lent week 4

9.30am: Winifred Speight RIP

7.30pm: No Liturgy of the Word

Thursday Lent week 4

11.30am: Alice Barker Requiem Mass

7.00pm: Bert Ainscough RIP

Friday Lent week 4

12 noon: **Roseanne Dorning Requiem Mass**

5.15pm: **Mass in RPH**

Saturday Lent week 4

10.00am: Robert Brown RIP

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

6.00pm: Noel Dias RIP **Vigil Mass**

9.30am: People of the Parish

6.00pm: John Cubbins RIP

LATELY DEAD: Noel Dias, Alice Barker, Roseanne Dorning, Gertrude Turner.

ANNIVERSARIES: Ray Hodges, Tom Dickenson, Fr. O. Callan, Olive Halliwell, Bert Ainscough.

Rosary 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

EXPOSITION
7am-8am
Mon-Fri in Lent
Morning Prayer
7.45am
Sat: 10.30 to noon
CONFESSIONS:
Sat 11-12.
Or by appointment

Pope's Prayer Intentions for April

That governments may foster the protection of creation and the just distribution of natural resources.

That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are being tested by pain and sickness.

6 SAINTS AT 7: Sundays of Lent at St Edward's, 7pm. - details in porch.

LENT IN THE MINSTER: See the notice in the porch.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHEs: Friday 12.30pm. Suggested donation £1 (or more) Funds to our Bosnia Project. Volunteers to prepare soup—list in porch.

LARGER COLLECTIONS AT NO EXTRA COST: Tax payers who regularly give to the church but are not in the *Gift Aid Scheme* are asked to sign-up today. See Fr L in the porch after Mass. Each £1 given in the *Gift Aid Scheme* attracts 25p from the Government thus increasing our offertory collection at no extra cost to the individual. 2014/15 sets in the porch. Thanks to those who used the scheme last year an extra £8,000 was raised.

PASSOVER HERITAGE: The Mass that we have been celebrating for 2000+ years comes to us courtesy of the Jewish Passover Meal. It was at the Passover Meal that Jesus celebrated the first Eucharist. On Mon 14th April in the Parish Hall, 7pm we shall have the opportunity to celebrate this heritage by re-enacting A Passover Meal: Tickets £4 - available after Mass

POSSIBLE PORCH EXTENSION: An application has been sent to the Diocesan Offices seeking permission to begin fund raising for this project.

EASTER FLOWERS: if you wish to make a donation for these in memory of a loved one, write the name on an envelope, add your donation and hand it in. Your loved ones names will be displayed by Our Lady's statue.

YOUTH PIZZA & THEATRE TRIP: Sat 12th April 5-9.30pm. (12+ age group) *Soldier to Saint* is an explosive play, which captures the inspirational story of St. Alban, Britain's first Christian Martyr, and is based in the gritty world of London 2020 where religious expression is illegal. Drop off /collect St. Clare's (trip to Pizza Hut & St Walburge's Parish Hall for Play) Cost: £7. Sign up with Fr. Darren at the end of Mass.

LENT SERIES: The Joy of the Gospel: various speakers, Thursdays 7.30pm, St Wilfrid's. See poster.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: *Can you spare 2 hours per week either morning afternoon or evening* to become a volunteer visitor? Information: poster on the notice board, contact Fr Darren Carden 719604 or email frdarren@saintclares.co.uk

ASSISTED SUICIDE: Leaflet from Bishops in porch.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: 18th – 25th July. Details in porch.

FROM NEWMAN COLLEGE: April 1st. Lent Vigil. Details in church porch.

MEDJUGORJE: Visit to Shrine: 11th-18th Sept. 2014 Poster in porch.

PRESTON IMPACT GROUPS: Castlerigg Residential Weekend –See poster

LAST WEEK: Attended: 500; Offertory: £1035.28; Thank you.