

## Diary Events This Week:

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> Jan:** 9.30am: Children's Liturgy; 2pm. 4.30pm: No Young Adults Group (20-30+); **MONDAY:** 9am: Pre-School Club\*; 3.20pm: After-School Club\* 6pm: Cubs; 7.30pm: Scouts; **TUESDAY:** Seekers or GFF Youth Group; 7.30pm: Prayer Group; **WEDNESDAY:** **THURSDAY:** 6.15pm: Beavers; 7.30pm: Journey in Faith; **FRIDAY: 7.30pm; Ecumenical Service; SATURDAY:** 9am: Pilates; 10.30am: Spanish Class; 7.30pm; AA Meeting. \* *These events each day Mon – Fri.* **Advance Diary Dates: February: 10<sup>th</sup>**> Lourdes Prize Bingo; **March: 24<sup>th</sup>**> Race Night.

### 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 of food. **Next Collection: Weekend 11/12 Feb**

**PRESTON FOOD BANK** Thanks for last collection. **Next: Jan-14/15**

**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. A. or email [enquiries@saintclares.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@saintclares.co.uk) Age range school years 4-6 & 7-11.

### FROM THE PTFA

Used Batteries / Mobile Phones please place in box in porch.

**ON-LINE SHOPPING: 'Shopping in the sales!'** Before you shop on line visit [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and look for St. Clare's New Porch Fund. **£439.00** raised so far – can you help increase this amount? It costs you nothing!

### St. Clare's School

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## ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15<sup>th</sup> January 2017



Last Sunday we celebrated the Epiphany of the Lord, when the wise men came from the east to worship the new-born King. This week our readings begin with a prophecy from Isaiah: the Saviour is to be a light not just to the people of Israel, but to the nations, so that God's salvation may reach the ends of the earth. We have all benefitted from this generosity of God: His light shines on us, His salvation is offered to us. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the whole world.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING

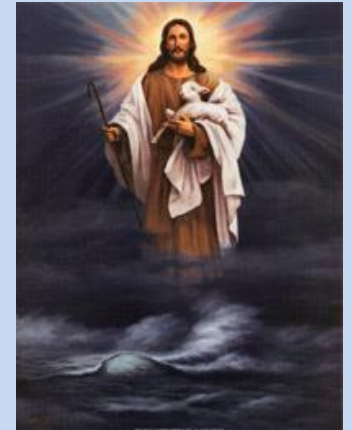
**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 6.30pm  
in the School Hall**

for children who made their First Confession in December.  
Session 1: 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 10.30am.

### CONFIRMATION PARENTS' MEETING

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 7.30pm  
in the School Hall.**

For those in Year 6 or above.  
Young people should attend.  
Session 1: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.30am



*'Behold the Lamb of God'*

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**DAY OF RENEWAL**  
Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Feb in St. Clare's Hall  
**'Our Hope is in Christ.'**  
**The foundation and the future'**  
Led by Jenny Baker

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Andrew Allman. **Deacon:** Fred Sanderson (Rtd)  
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**MASSES THIS WEEK: 15<sup>th</sup> Jan: – Mass Book Page 125**

Office: Psalter Week 2; Sunday: Cycle A; Weekdays: Year 1.

**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

6pm: People of the Parish **Vigil**

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: Sheila Gahan RIP

6pm: Special Intention (EK)

**Today is the Day of Prayer for Peace**

**Monday of Week 2**

9.15am: Ron Worden RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

**Tuesday St. Antony (Abbot)**

7pm: Tom Davies RIP

**Wednesday: of Week 2**

9.15am: Joseph Speight RIP

7.30pm: Liturgy of the Word: NeoCatechumenal Way

**Thursday: of Week 2**

7pm: Margaret Smethurst RIP

**Friday: of Week 2**

12.00: Gladys Whittle RIP

5.15pm: Mass in RPH

**Saturday St. Agnes**

10am: Mary Sinnott RIP

**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

6pm: People of the Parish **Vigil**

7pm: Holy Mass – with the NeoCatechumenal Way

9.30am: Michael Frost RIP

6pm: Johnny Cassidy RIP

**LATELY DEAD:** Joan Foster

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Helena Corbishley, Colin Mullarkey, Hilda Battersby, Phylis Abram, Marie Jackson, William Loughran, Vincent George, Ernest Moore, Gerard Robinson, David Creighton, Ethel Ray, Joseph Billington, Gwen Lakeland.

**Pope's Prayer Intentions: January:** That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

**MEDJUGORJE 2017:** a visit to the Shrine - from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August 2017. £580 per person (sharing). All details on the poster.

**MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND:** Fri 27<sup>th</sup> –Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2017 at the Monastery of Our Lady of Hying, Carnforth. Visit: [www.bernardine.org](http://www.bernardine.org) see poster

**FLAME:** Event for young people. Wembley Arena March 11<sup>th</sup> 2017. (Weekend away: 10-12 March) Speak to Fr. Allman after Mass. Details on poster.

**DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES 2017:** Available in the porch £3 each.

**Rosary for Life Challenge -** The Mysteries of Light will be prayed each day after the 9.15am Masses and before the Friday noon Mass, for this intention

**EXPOSITION:**  
**Sat 10.30am-Noon**  
Intention: for priestly vocations.  
**CONFESSIONS**  
Sat 11-12 noon.  
Or by appointment.

**FR. LOUGHRAN:** writes to thank all the parishioners for their greetings, cards, gifts, generous presentation, and most of all for their prayers and Masses. St. Clare's has been a very important part of my life with many blessings and will always have a special place in my prayers and my heart

**UNWANTED CHRISTMAS PRESENTS:** would be gratefully accepted for the **Lourdes Prize Bingo on 10<sup>th</sup> Feb** (note change of date). Please bring your items as soon as you can.

**ECUMENICAL SERVICE:** The week of prayer for **Christian Unity** takes place 18<sup>th</sup> -25 January. There will be an Ecumenical Service here at St. Clare's this Friday at 7.30pm. **Also** UNITY Service for all Preston Churches Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 3pm at Longton Community Church, Landmark, Ribbleson Lane. Preston PR1 5LP

**PORCH UPDATE:** A further meeting has taken place with the architect, the Diocesan Property Manager and members of the Design Team. Good progress was made.

**200 CLUB:** Why not start the New Year by joining St. Clare's 200 Club. Numbers cost just £5 each per month. They can be paid by cash, cheque or monthly Standing Order. You don't need to give us your bank details. The draws are made monthly and last year more than £3,600 was paid out in prizes and the same amount raised for the Porch Fund. Application forms are in the church porch More information from Anthony: tel: 713046 **January Draw** - 1st prize: £155; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: £91.50 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: £61. Thank you for your support.

**PASSION PLAY: Good Friday.** There is a meeting at Holy Family on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm for anyone who would like to take part in this.

**CENACOLO COMMUNITY:** Thanks for the regular items of providence in the porch box. From Jan 9<sup>th</sup> this will now be collected once a month around the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun.

**MARRIAGE COURSE:** will be offered here for those planning to marry in 2017 (or simply to take another look at the teaching on marriage) beginning Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. To book on the course contact: [sian\\_martin@btinternet.com](mailto:sian_martin@btinternet.com)

**THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS:** Presented by *Metanoia* Thursday evening from Jan 12<sup>th</sup> Francis of Assisi; Thomas Aquinas; Catherine of Sienna; John Henry Newman; G K Chesterton; Michelangelo – see poster in porch.

**LIFE GROUP:** Next meeting is at St Clare's, Mon, 16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 6pm for 6.30pm. LIFE's Chief Education Officer (North West) will offer an evening's training on how to speak on Life issues in conversation. Refreshments will be provided.

**THINKING SCRIPTURE 2017:** holiday and study time, 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July (long weekend) 14<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> October (full week) at Boarbank Hall, Cumbria. See poster.

**LAST WEEK:** Attended: 512; Collection: £1,178.67. Thank you.