

# PARISH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN: SERVICES THIS WEEK

	Feast Days	Christ the King	MASSES St Mary of the Assumption	St John the Baptist
				
<b>MON 24TH FEB</b>	Weekday	9.15am	12.30pm	9.00am
<b>TUE 25TH FEB</b>	Shrove Tuesday	9.15am	9.00am	12.00 noon
<b>WED 26TH FEB</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	9.15am 1.30pm in School	10.45 am in School 12.30 6.00pm	9.30am in School 7.00pm
<b>THURS 27TH FEB</b>	Lent Weekday	9.15am	10.00am Funeral Mass for James Francis(Jimmy) Carter RIP	9.00am
<b>FRI 28TH FEB</b>	Lent Weekday	9.15am	6.30am 12.30pm	9.00am
<b>SAT 29TH FEB</b>	Lent Weekday	9.15am	12.00 noon	12.15 Mass for Homebound in the Parish Hall
	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	–	6.30pm	6.00pm
<b>SUN 1ST MARCH</b> 	First Sunday of Lent	9.15am 5.00pm	10.00am	10.45am
	<b>EXPOSITION</b>	8.45am	Mon Wed Fri 12.00 to 12.30	After Mass on Tues and Sat.
	<b>RECONCILIATION</b>	Sat after 9.15 Mass	Mon Wed Fri 12.00 to 12.30 Sat 10.30 to 11.30	Sat 11 –11.30am 5.30 to 6pm
	<b>EVENING PRAYER</b>			6.30pm Wed
<b>ROSARY</b>		M T T F S 30 mins before morning Mass	Tues Thurs Sat 20 minutes before weekday Mass	

### ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

If you want an item included please email to: [itemsforfrank@gmail.com](mailto:itemsforfrank@gmail.com) or drop it into your presbytery letterbox by Thursday evening. Thanks.

### Clergy Team

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#### Christ the King

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#### St John the Baptist

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# The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Burnley

## NEWSLETTER

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23RD FEBRUARY 2020



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St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

### FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE WORD THIS WEEK



Today's Gospel teaching is very powerful and extremely challenging for us: Jesus tells us "love your enemies": Maybe we don't have enemies as such but we all know people who we find challenging and make us feel uncomfortable and it's to them that we need to show love by being extra patient and praying for them. We can always try to look for the goodness or potential for good

that lies within each and every person we know. He also tells us to "go the extra mile". This means showing forgiveness time after time: it means letting go of grudges and resentment, it means shedding thoughts of getting someone back for harming us. All of this will free us to be able to live as God wants us to live: to be free from the harm that the clutter of storing up resentment and hurt inside of us can do to us. We will therefore be free to put all our energy into living and loving as Jesus did.

The Lord also speaks of loving ourselves too. He is not speaking of a selfish love but of a love that allows us to be comfortable with who we are. It enables us to know that because God has created us, we are filled with his goodness and the potential for eternal life with him. The things we find hard to love about ourselves are the howling mistakes that we have made, when we have let our loved ones down, let ourselves down and also let down the Lord. We should be so open to his divine grace that we can live with these imperfections and know that through Jesus Christ we are quite simply redeemed of all that is not perfect about us.

On Wednesday of this week we will begin the holy season of Lent by presenting ourselves to have ashes placed on our foreheads as a sign of our repentance. Lent is time to change and to become more like Christ in every aspect of ourselves. In this Year of the Word may we listen to the challenging words of Our Lord in today's Gospel and respond to them by the way we treat one another in the coming week.



### LENT



This week brings the start of Lent. Please note the Masses available on Ash Wednesday with the distribution of ashes. There will be several opportunities for added devotions during this time of penitence. Please try to give enrich your life and your faith during the season.

#### Ash Wednesday

Times of Mass with the distribution of Ashes is as follows:  
 Christ the King ~ 9.15am in church; 1.30pm in school  
 St Mary's ~ 10.45am in school: 12.30pm and 6pm in church.  
 St John's ~ 9.30am in school : 7pm in church

#### Early Morning Mass for Lent

Starting on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February, there will be an extra Mass on each Friday of Lent at 6.30am in St Mary's church. This will be followed by breakfast for all present in the Parish Rooms.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Lately Dead.**

James Francis (Jimmy) Carter  
John Cunnie  
Doreen Crawford  
Peter Walmsley  
Ireneo Ramos  
Damian Sheeran  
Monica Hargrave,

Richard Boote,  
Paddy Raleigh,  
Alice McManus  
Mary Harpur

**Anniversaries:**

Mrs Annakutty  
Joseph Thomas  
Arthur Wilfred Richardson  
Anna Tamburello (1st Anniv)  
John Lyons,  
Catherine Mary Hoyle,

Shirley Crook,  
Jim Brown,  
Shirley Warren,  
Mary and Robert McAleese, Honora Roach,  
Irene Moore,  
Anthony Hilton,  
Stephen Symington,

**In Loving Memory**

May Hall Richardson  
Joseph Cavanagh  
Kathleen Cavanagh

Terry Cavanagh  
Dominic Cavanagh  
Annaliese Cavanagh  
Samantha Rawstron  
**Birthday Memoriam**

Deirdre Wild,  
Teresa Rangeley

**Other Intentions:**

Mary Kay  
A sick young lady  
In thanks for favours received  
Special intention

**CANCER HELP GROUP—YOU ARE NOT ALONE**

Have you, or anyone you know had cancer and the following treatments? You might feel it would help to talk to others about the side-effects you/they are living with, but don't want to bother the doctor with. Please come along to the Parish Rooms at St Mary's church on Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10am for tea/coffee and biscuits and a chat. You might find the answer you are looking for! All adults are welcome.



**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION - FEBRUARY 2020**

**Listen to the Migrants' Cries**

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.



**PARISH HIKES**



Our next hike will be 6 miles around Wycoller THIS Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. It is graded moderate. We will meet at St Mary's church car park at 12.30pm. Please bring boots, waterproofs, food and drink. There is a flier at the back of church listing all the hikes planned for the next 12 months.

**ST JOHN'S TEA DANCE**



The T Dances are back! At St John's on Wednesdays 1.15pm to 2.45pm. **Please note** the change of times for the event. Keeeeeeeep Dancing!!

**LEGION OF MARY AT ST MARY'S**



The Legion meets every Monday in St Mary's Parish Rooms every Monday at 7.00pm. Everyone is most welcome.

**WEEKLY QUIZ AT THE KSC 110 CLUB**

This is a great event held each Tuesday, kicking off at 9pm. It is good fun and only costs £1.50 per person which includes supper. There is a different Quiz Master each week and this Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February the Quiz Master is Fr David. All are welcome.



**PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP**

The monthly meeting will be this Wednesday in St John's Parish Hall at 7.00pm.



**"If you judge people you have no time to love them"**

St Teresa



Stay with us Lord on our journey



**GROWING AS THE PARISH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN**

**The Parish Prayer:** We have now started using the new parish prayer before the Prayer after Communion at all Mass in all our churches.



**ST MARY'S LADIES GUILD**

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 1pm in the Parish Rooms at St Mary's. All ladies are most welcome. Ita is on tea duty.



**"Loving God means serving your neighbour without reserve, and trying to forgive without limits"**

Pope Francis Dec 2018

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Here's advance notice of events. Pop them in your diary and details will follow:

- New!** Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March ~ Deanery Lenten Station Mass at Sacred Heart, Colne. We plan to put on a coach from Burnley for this event.
- Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> April ~ Charity fundraiser with Comedian Jimmy Cricket at the 110 club. Details next weekend
- Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August ~ 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Fr Michael Ryan, who is Fr David's good friend.
- Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Sept ~ 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Catholic writer Francois Mauriac, who won Nobel prize for literature in 1952 ~ Mass in French celebrated by Fr David at St Mary's. This will be followed by "French" refreshments in the parish rooms and extracts in English from Mauriac's works will be recited.

Don't Miss Owt!

**MASS WITH THE HOME-BOUND**



The Good Samaritan Parish / SVP monthly Mass is one week earlier than usual and is on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February in St John's Parish Hall next Saturday 12.15pm. It will be followed by lunch for all present.

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**COFFEE MORNING AT ST MARY'S**

Thank you so much for the people who stepped forward to help provide this wonderful social get-together every week after the 10.00am Mass



**100 YEARS YOUNG**

Happy Birthday Mary!

Congratulations to Mary and thank you for the smiles and happiness you always bring with you! God bless, and lots of love!

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR**

Whilst still wishing to appoint an Organist and Choirmaster, we now possibly may appoint an Organist. Either appointment would be for alternate Sunday Masses at 10.45am. Initially those interested are invited to contact David Hartley on 07434 763 822 or david.hartley2014@gmail.com



**FOODBANK**

Thank you for your continuing generous donations Keep it up, because, sadly, the need continues. Whilst most of us have 'eating fatigue' it's the opposite for too many others. And oranges are still a top choice! please.



**LENT FAMILY FAST DAY** this year is on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March. This is our opportunity to help some of the poorest, most marginalised of our brothers and sisters. Please collect your Fast Day envelopes on the weekend of 29<sup>th</sup> February/1<sup>st</sup> March and give what you can and return them the following weekend of 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> March.



**CAFOD SOUP LUNCHES** St John's will again be holding a Soup Lunch every Friday for 6 weeks at 12.30pm following Mass at noon, starting on 6<sup>th</sup> March until Good Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April. A simple lunch of soup, bread and tea/coffee will be offered for £2.50. Please support these invitations to demonstrate our solidarity with the world's poorest people.

**ST JOHN'S ANNUAL CAFOD ACCOUNTS** are now available for viewing on the CAFOD noticeboard in the porch at the back of church. Thanks again for all your continued support this year and in previous years.