



PARISH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN: SERVICES THIS WEEK

	Feast Days	Christ the King	MASSES St Mary of the Assumption	St John the Baptist
 MON 3 FEB	St Blaise	9.30am in School	12.30pm	9.00am
TUE 4TH FEB	Weekday	9.15am	9.15am	10.45am Funeral Mass for Winifred McGeorge RIP
WED 5TH FEB	St Agatha	9.15am	12.30	7.00pm
THUR 6TH FEB	Ss Paul Miki and Companions	9.15am	9.00am	9.00
FRI 7TH FEB	Weekday	9.15am	12.30pm	12.00 noon Funeral Mass for Jean Neale RIP
SAT 8TH FEB	St Jerome Emiliani	9.15am	12.00 noon	10.30am
	VIGIL MASS	—	6.30pm	6.00pm
SUN 9TH FEB	5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9.15am 5.00pm	10.00am	10.45am
		OTHER SERVICES		
	EXPOSITION	Wed 8.45am	Mon Wed Fri 12.00 to 12.30	After Mass Tues and Sat
	RECONCILIATION	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
	EVENING PRAYER			6.30pm Wed
	ROSARY	MTTFS 30 mins before morning Mass	Tues Thurs Sat 20 minutes before weekday Mass	Weds 6.30pm

The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Burnley

NEWSLETTER

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
2ND FEBRUARY 2020



Christ the King

St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE WORD THIS WEEK



Today is the Feast of the Presentation which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas to complete the celebration of the Incarnation. Candles are lit and blessed today to welcome in Christ, the Light of the World.

In today's Gospel, Mary and Joseph go to the Temple in Jerusalem to present Jesus to the Lord as the Jewish Law required of them. Simeon and Anna being filled with the Spirit were dedicated to God and spent much of their time praying at the Temple. When the Holy Family arrived at the Temple, the Spirit allowed these two individuals to recognise Jesus as the Son of God.

Simeon and Anna were both elderly when the promise made them by the Lord was fulfilled in the Temple. Anna and Simeon remind us of the value of old age and how it can be a time to mature in our faith and our relationship with God. They saw the face of their saviour in the latter days of their life.

Just as He did with Anna and Simeon in today's Gospel, the Holy Spirit, who is present within each of us through our baptism can guide and direct us too, to proclaim Christ's presence in the world today. By living out the Gospel to the best of our ability, people will know that Christ is present here and now, not so much because of what we say but most especially because our actions back up these words.

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Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, And light up in them the fire of your love

CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER IN BURNLEY

Christians Against Poverty is a national organisation helping to lift people out of debt and poverty. There is a service at St Leonard's, Padiham, Sunday February 2nd at 5.30pm to launch the project in Burnley with more information available. All Welcome.

Redeem our Communities (ROC). 'Conversation Burnley'. An invitation for everyone to discuss how to improve the communities in our town. It's on 12th Feb, 7.00 to 9.00pm. See the poster in church.



Clergy Team

Parish Priest:	Fr David Featherstone	St Mary of the Assumption	01282 422007
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Christ the King	St Mary of the Assumption	St John the Baptist	
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BURNLEY BB11 2QJ	Burnley BB10 4AU	Burnley BB10 1TB	

GROWING AS THE PARISH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Things continue to develop and grow, thank God:

The Parish Prayer: Weekday Mass-goers will recite the prayer at the time of the Final Blessing at every Mass. This will soon be introduced at the Vigil and Sunday Masses.

Parish Mass Music: The Mass of the Good Samaritan: A wholly new musical setting of the Mass has been composed by one of our parishioners in honour of the unification of the three parishes into the Parish of the Good Samaritan. It will be used increasingly at our Masses.

New Parish Prayer Competition: As promised, each week, we are publishing a different prayer from the fine entries that were submitted. Here is this week's prayer:

*As churches three, now just one are we
As we come together, we can make life so much better.
In this our Samaritan Parish the strength of three
What a power for good this will be.
A Community church and Congregation
Infused with love, truth and compassion*

*For all to use where the need may be.
With God's hand to guide us
With his love to lead us
We can follow Him
And Samaritans one and all will be.
Yes I believe in the power of three.
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*





MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead.

Jean Neale,
Teresa Corcoran,
Alfred Black,

Margaret Cunnie
Wyn McGeorge
Atty O'Dea

Anniversaries:

Mary Featherstone,
Thomas Daley,
Rachel Wild,
Ann Jackson,
Agnes Frazer,

Anthony MacMahon,
Sarah and Thomas
Langton
Johanna and Joe
Scanlan
Tom Macken.
Mary Hassan.



Birthday Memoriam

Rachel Wild,
Lilian Wilkinson
Peter Francis Shackleton

In Memoriam:

The Clarke family

Other Intentions:

Eileen Corallo

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 4th 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.



FINANCE

Offertory collections for last weekend.
St John's: £665.00 St Mary's: £841.21
Christ the King: £450.55
Thank you for your continuous generosity.

KSC CHARITY CONCERT

There will be a cabaret night fundraiser in the Club featuring Robbie Allen, and international vocalist on Friday 21st February at 8,00pm. Proceeds will go to CHF and Georgia Fourie Butterfly fund. Tickets from Pat (459483), Ray (426349) or Bernard (07800 867 555).



*Help me to walk in your light
and live my life in faith
and glory*

CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT

Support CAFOD & Have a good night out!!



Come to our CAFOD Quiz Friday 7th February - at St Philip's Church Hall, Padiham. The first question at 7:00 o'clock, there's a break for a delicious pie & pea supper, the raffle, and we'll have you on your way home by 10.00pm with all your prizes! All this, yes, including supper, for just £5 a head! Think of the help you, a Good Samaritan, will be giving to CAFOD. Oh, ALERT! - it's a "Bring Your Own Drink & Glass Event". Let Jim Astin Kilgannon know you are coming! Phone Jim on 07572 870494

PARISH HIKES



Our next hike will be 6 miles around Wycoller on Sunday 23rd Feb. It is graded moderate. We will meet at St Mary's church car park at 12.30pm. Please bring boots, water-proofs, food and drink. Please also see a flier at the back of each church listing all the hikes planned for the next 12 months.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER GROUP—'COME AND SEE'



The Group will meet at 39 Brenand St on Thursday, Feb. 6, from 7- 8:30 pm to sing and pray. As Jesus said: 'Come and see' and you will be most welcome. For more detail contact Anthony on 07758265374.

ST JOHN'S TEA DANCE



The T Dances are back! At St John's on Wednesdays 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Thanks for their generous donation to the parish of £100. Keeeeeeep Dancing!!

A CUPPA AND CHAT AFTER MASS

The social get-togethers follow the Sunday morning Masses at Christ the King and St Mary's. Everybody welcome. St Mary's also have a home-made produce stall.

SVP NATIONAL RAFFLE

Local members will be selling raffle tickets after Mass over the next few weekends:
St John's NEXT weekend—8th/9th Feb
St Mary's weekend of 15th/16th Feb
Christ the King weekend of 22nd/23rd Feb.
Please give your best support as a recognition of the wonderful presence of our Vincentian Fathers working with us in our parish.



BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME AT ST MARY'S



The Registration meeting will be in the Sacristy after the 10.00 Mass THIS Sunday 2nd February. You will learn all of the next steps for your child's Baptism.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME AT ST JOHN'S



A celebration Mass themed 'The Presentation' will be at the Vigil Mass at 6.00pm on Sat 8th February.

ST JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CATHOLIC ACTION

The staff and pupils of St John the Baptist RC Primary are collecting food for the parish food bank each Friday this term. Isn't that great learning for them! Thanks children, our junior Good Samaritans!. Thanks to the staff for a wonderful idea!



" Peace is a precious gift, which must be promoted and protected Never has the use of violence brought peace in its wake. War begets war, violence begets violence"

Pope Francis Reflecting on Syria 2013



COFFEE MORNING AT ST MARY'S

The weekly get-together is a great source of fellowship, friendship, a good chat and a laugh. BUT the ladies need help! Please see Maureen Scaife and offer your services brewing and serving. (07807 184 743). YOU are needed to keep this super social event going. If you don't offer your help the ladies will struggle along for your pleasure. Please come forward.



ps: It's also a good source of income for the parish, bringing in £100's each year, along with the £1,500 or so per year that will be lost from the Home Produce stall—which is another source of great enjoyment, .

Please Volunteer!

If you see someone without a smile, give him one of yours!!



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR

We continue in our search for an Organist and Choirmaster for the dedicated church choir. The 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



DIOCESAN EVENT MUSIC GROUPS

There will be a Music and Liturgy Workshop day with Jo Boyce at St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Bolton BL1 4PN on Saturday 8th February 10.00am to 5.30pm., followed by Mass. Please see the poster in the church porch.



LIVE SIMPLY CAMPAIGN

The campaign targets the major problem of our time - Climate Change and Pollution. Live Simply means that our Parish will be actively engaged in everyday actions which can help to improve our impact on the world. The Parish campaign launched on 19th January at St John's and will be delivered soon at Christ the King and St Mary's, to build into a rolling programme.

Follow-up from the presentation at St John's

Please could everyone who has completed their pledge card put them into the box at the back of church. Many thanks for the responses and engagement in this vital work.

We hope everyone will engage in this issue—vital for ourselves and future generations.