

# The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Christ the King

St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

Burnley



## NEWSLETTER

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**  
**6TH JUNE 2021 2021**      **YEAR B**



Year of St Joseph

### FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON THE CORPUS CHRISTI



Today is the feast of Corpus Christi, the feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord. So we are celebrating the gift of the Eucharist. There is a strong theme of Covenant in today's readings; The first reading describes the sealing of the Covenant between God and people by being sprinkled with the blood of sacrificed animals. Blood is seen as a sign of life and so this is symbolic of God sharing his life with the people. In the Eucharist, Jesus establishes a new covenant sealed however with his own blood. So the Eucharist is a perpetual reminder of the intimate bond that now exists between God and his people. As Roman Catholics we believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, which means that we know we really do receive Jesus in Holy Communion. The Hebrew word for "present"

used throughout in scripture is Hineni, which roughly means Here I am. This asks us to be ready and willing.

By saying Jesus is present, this reminds us that Jesus is ready and willing to act in our lives. However most importantly he wants to change us, and transform us with his love. Whenever we come to Mass, and listen to the Lord present in the Word, then receive the Lord in Holy Communion, we ought to be affected in some way. We should be inspired to become who we receive. We are encouraged therefore to be "hineni", truly present and therefore ready and willing to serve God in one another. We are also called to make Christ present to one another.

At the heart of the Eucharist is the generosity and giving of our God. It is a great gift to us. So we are to receive the Lord whom we are meant to become. Will we have their faith and courage to also be "hineni"

*"I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever."*

★ **FOR ALL OF JUNE IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO PRE-BOOK IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND OUR SATURDAY VIGIL AND SUNDAY MASSES—SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS** ★

### PUBLIC MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES

Public Masses for the parish as follows. They may be subject to change at short notice so, if you can, check daily on the parish website for updates.

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting 30 mins before all the weekday Masses.

#### Masses

Monday	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm Christ the King
Tuesday:	9 30am St Mary's	12.00 noon St John's
Wednesday	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm St John's
Thursday:	9.30am St Mary's	10.30am St John's
Friday:	9.30am St Mary's	12 Noon Christ the King

**Saturday:** 9.30am St Mary's

**Sunday:**

**6.00pm Vigil Mass St John's**

**9.15am Christ the King**

**10.45am Mass St John's**

**You must pre-book for the Masses marked in bold below**

**See inside for details**

**6.30pm Vigil Mass St Mary's**

**10.00am St Mary's**

**5.00pm Mass Christ the King**

### Exposition and Reconciliation

**Every Saturday** there will be Exposition and Reconciliation at St Mary's from 10.30 to 11.30am. The Reconciliation will take place in the Sacred Heart Chapel.

## BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR SATURDAY VIGIL/SUNDAY MASSES DURING JUNE

We are delighted that we are now experiencing high demand for Sunday Masses. In the month of June, families in the parish will be celebrating their child's first Holy Communion in small numbers at Masses in all three churches. Therefore, in order to help our wonderful stewards to manage numbers more easily, we are introducing a booking system for the Saturday Vigil Masses and Sunday Masses in our three churches throughout the month of June.

**For you to book we would prefer**, if you can, to book by email to the following address:

[bookings@goodsamaritanparish.org.uk](mailto:bookings@goodsamaritanparish.org.uk)

Alternatively, if necessary, you may also book by phone (**please** do not text) on the following number: Phone - 07407 040 243. Please note that this is only available at the following limited times:

**Sat and Sun 3-4 pm Tues, Thurs and Fri 11am to 12 Noon and 6 to 7pm**

The Parish weekend Mass programme as from 6<sup>th</sup> June will be as follows:

**St Mary's:** 6.30pm (Saturday Vigil): 10am Sunday

**Christ the King:** 9.15am: 5pm Sunday

**St John's:** 6pm (Saturday Vigil): 10.45am Sunday

**BOOKING  
ESSENTIAL  
IN JUNE!**

**When booking please clearly stipulate the following:**

1. Name
2. Number of people in your group/party
- 3 Name of the church
4. Time and date of the Mass(es)
5. Contact telephone number.

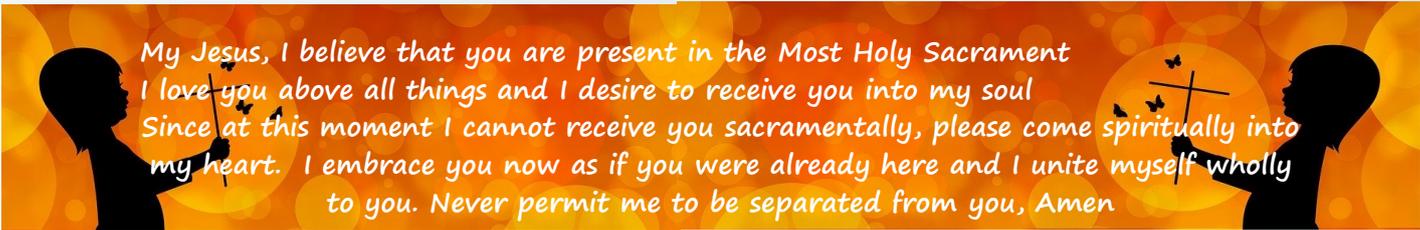
This will comprise the following four weekends in June: 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> ~ 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> ~ 26/27<sup>th</sup>

**Which Mass to choose?** At the moment the demand for the Vigil Masses is less than those on Sunday mornings, so it may ease the stewarding, safety and comfort considerations if you choose to attend either of the two Vigil Masses.

**We thank you for your cooperation and understanding with these measures.**

## DISPENSATION FROM ATTENDING MASS

As we are experiencing the great increase in numbers attending Mass in our churches, it is timely to remind everyone that the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days has been suspended since the start of the pandemic. For those who feel unready or unable to return, you may know that the Prayer of Spiritual Communion is recited to include you in our prayers. Here is an example of a Prayer which you may wish to say:



*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament  
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul  
Since at this moment I cannot receive you sacramentally, please come spiritually into  
my heart. I embrace you now as if you were already here and I unite myself wholly  
to you. Never permit me to be separated from you, Amen*

## MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS ABOUT RECONCILIATION

We have a weekly service of Exposition and Reconciliation at St Mary's every Saturday, at 10.30 to 11.30. However, these words from the Holy Father should help us while some of us cannot go to the Sacrament:

*"Do what the catechism says. It's very clear. If you don't find a priest to go to confession, speak to God. He's your Father. Tell Him the truth: 'Lord. I did this and this and this. Pardon me.' Ask His forgiveness with all your heart with an act of contrition, and promise Him, 'afterwards I will go to confession.'*

*"You will return to God's grace immediately. You yourself can draw near, as the Catechism teaches us to God's forgiveness, without having a priest at hand."*



## STEWARDS IN OUR CHURCHES

We are very dependent on the generosity of our wonderful stewards. We are very grateful for the dedication they have shown throughout. If anyone would like to become a steward please contact Fr David.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Lately Dead:** Isabel Kelly

**Anniversaries:** Moises Sr Teresito, Charlotte Conlon, Winifred Quinn, Tom Dacey (5th Anniv)

**In Memoriam:** Deceased members of Kilday family,

**Birthday Memorial:** Ronnie Whittaker, Smith Peter Scoble, Ella Heap, Ronnie Whittaker,

**Other intentions:** Clergy of Good Samaritan parish, Daniel Martins and family, Eileen Ennis, Special intention,



**Candles in Towneley Chapel:**

Fr David Featherstone, Andrew Harrison,.

### SPONSORED BIKE RIDE

Between 23rd June and 1st July one of our parishioners, Jamie Capstick, will cycle 77 miles from Burnley to Leeds raising funds for the Rob Burrow Foundation. If you would like more information on how you can sponsor Jamie please call 07436881332.Thanks!



### CAFOD APPEAL FOR INDIA COVID CRISIS

Parishioners play a vital role in supporting CAFOD communities in the global south and CAFOD want to celebrate with you all, their wonderful volunteers and supporters across the whole of England & Wales, with a month full of online events. Join in from your laptop, tablet or phone and invite family, friends and fellow parishioners to come along. See all details on the CAFOD page of our website (click Home Page, then CAFOD)



*Stay with us Lord on our journey*



### FOODBANK—PLEASE KEEP GIVING



Sadly the appeal has to continue. You can drop food off at most Spar stores. You can also contribute online (via Blessed Trinity at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving>)

You can donate cash at St John's Presbytery, drop it off in a clearly marked envelope. This led to **£230** being donated during May. Congratulations to everyone at Blessed Trinity—their **website is approaching the £8,900 marker!!**

Thank you all for your great generosity.

### HUMOUR AND HORROR IN THE BIBLE!



Fancy a weekend away in November (19th to 21st)? This is the theme of a weekend at Minsteracres Retreat Centre near Hexham with the international speaker, song writer and author from the Iona Community - the Rev John Bell. Some members of the Good Samaritan Parish are now booking and you are welcome to join in. All details are available in printed form at the back of church, or on the parish website or ring Karen 431723 who will forward them to you. Cost: £175 full board. Highly recommended!



### Pope Francis' Intention for June The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



### FEAST DAYS WEEK COMMENCING 7TH JUNE

Monday	Weekday	Friday	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Tuesday	Weekday		
Wednesday	St Columba	Saturday	The Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday	Weekday		

**Sunday 13th June : Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### CATENIAN CHARTER CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

The celebrations, postponed from last year have been re-scheduled. The major event is to be at Burnley FC on Friday 12th November 2021. Please contact Peter Nuttall Tel: 01282 432356 or 07546261012 or e- mail: pandmnuttall@hotmail.com. Details on the parish website

### Clergy Team

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