



# ST MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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What God has united man must not divide

### SERVICES

Sacraments Reconciliation Saturday 4.30pm Baptisms By appointment with Fr. Lomax  
Weddings By appointment with Fr. Lomax

### MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 5PM ON SATURDAYS

SUNDAY MASS GREAT HARWOOD 9am Our Lady & St. Hubert's  
11am St. Wulstan's



### Masses this coming Week



Clayton-le-Moors St. Mary's Tuesday 10.00am  
Great Harwood Our Lady & St. Hubert's Friday 10.00am  
St. Wulstan's Monday 10.00am Thursday 10.00am

**INCOME:** The total Sunday collection for St. Mary's Clayton-le-Moors came to £349-27 (less levy of £110.24 the total collection is reduced to **£239.03** Thank you.

**OUR PARISH LEVY:** It is I feel, worth reminding the parish that the Parish levy mentioned in this week's newsletter reflects the amount of money, withdrawn from our parish by the diocese, which helps pay for and support our schools and retired clergy along with the Bishop's Administration. Presently it is set at **£5732.00** per annum (£1,333.00 each and **EVERY** quarter). That is roughly about **£110.24** of our weekly collection that is already spoken for by the diocese. So when you read our week's **TOTAL** collection, you are fully aware of the actual amount we have received and then the amount remaining for that particular week to pay for and run the parish properties along with helping to maintain a resident Parish Priest.

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES AND CONFESSIONS:** As I hope you know I do actually listen to advice given to me, and it appears that Weekday Mass at St. Hubert's would best be celebrated on a Friday and not on a Thursday morning, which would also enable the cleaning rotas to be continued. Therefore as of this coming week Mass will be celebrated on Monday & Thursdays at St. Wulstan's, Tuesdays at St. Mary's and Friday at St. Hubert's. **Regarding Confession:** another good suggestion is to have confessions at St. Hubert's on Friday morning AFTER Mass. In order to allow for this I will require the Confessional to be made ready, so at this moment in time Confessions will be on a request basis at St. Hubert's and St. Wulstan's. The Confession slot at St. Mary's on Saturday evening at 4.30p.m. prior to the 5.00p.m. Vigil Mass I will adopt.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please see the notice board in the Church Porch for details of Mass intentions which may have been handed in during the week.

### The Word This Week

Today we tackle the issue of marriage and divorce; Jesus is asked an awkward question about the legality of divorce. He lays down very clearly that what God intends for marriage is what is found in Genesis (where the "two become one" for all time) rather than the dispensation granted through Moses (permitting a writ of divorce) which was an exception, not the rule. Here it is clear that Jesus abrogates this Old Testament procedure a point emphasised when the disciples press him further on this issue on getting back home. While it is important for us to be sensitive and understanding towards those whose marriages have gone awry, we must be careful to let the teachings of the Lord speak for themselves.

**CAFOD** Please return your CAFOD Family Fast Day envelopes and remember that if you are a UK taxpayer, you can increase the value of your donation by filling in the Gift Aid Form.

**RED MISSION BOXES** During the month of October will parishioners please arrange for the contents of their red mission boxes to be brought to church and placed in the large red box at the back of church or alternatively hand them to myself. Please ensure your name is on any cash handed in other than in the red boxes. Anyone unable to bring in their box please telephone me on 01254 237716. Thank you Dorothy E.

### TRIP TO LOURDES FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Father Derek McCartney is organising a trip to Lourdes for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception departing 6th December 2018 returning 9th December 2018. Full board basis at the Hotel Padoue Cost £399-00 per person sharing £465-00 Single room. For further details see Poster in Church Porch or contact Marlene or Father Derek.

#### St. Mary's Autumn 200 Club Draw

The winner of the first weekly draw of £25-00.

John Gordon      No. 75      Agent      Gladys

#### Social Committee

There will be a meeting of the social committee in the Church Hall at 7pm on Wednesday 10th October 2018, hope to see you all there.



**CHURCH NEWS** Any items for inclusion in forthcoming Newsletters please contact/notify Peter Holden (Clayton) on 01254 237808 or peterholden886@btinternet.com by Wednesday weekly

*Every Blessing to you all Fr. Barry J. Lomax P.P*