



St. Clare's Church Newsletter

13th May 2012 Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)

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St Clare of Assisi Parish Served by Canon John Loughlin

Our Catholic Schools serving the Parish and the Community

St Clare of Assisi Primary School

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St Clare's Parish Council

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Theresa Davies, Kath Snowden, Anne Jemmeson,

Margaret Neeson, Marie Pearson, Caroline Bates

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 12th May	6pm	<i>Vigil Mass</i> In thanksgiving
Sunday 13th May	9.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 14 th May	9am	Michael and John Taggart
Tuesday 15 th May	9am	Pauline White
Wednesday 16 th May	<u>7pm</u>	Pat and Tom Jinks
Thursday 17 th May	9am	Hannah Lynch
	3pm	Funeral Service for Brian Jobling
Friday 18 th May	8.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary at 9.10am
	9.30am	Martin Deacy
Saturday 19th May	6pm	<i>Vigil Mass</i> Kathleen Flanagan

Confessions

Saturday 5:15-5:45pm before evening Mass
and by request after any weekday Mass.

Baptisms and Weddings

By appointment - please see
Canon John after weekend Mass

Prayer Times

Exposition

(of the Blessed Sacrament)
8:30-9:30am every Friday

Divine Office

(Morning Prayer) 8:45 each day.

Quiet Prayer

The church is open to light a candle and
for quiet prayer every day. Access is via
the Parish Room using the door code.

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick especially

Kenny March, Wynne Hughes, Jean Huggins, Catherine Hanifin, Andrew Cross, Brian Dowd,
Michelle Tolliday, Jan Oliver, baby Tyler, Joanne Warwick, Carol Simpson, Josh B., Lorraine Shaw,
Kevin O'Connell, Mick Atkinson, Marion Serrell, Denise Puttick, John Shannon, Monica Thompson,
Julie Voyzey, Jane Nicholson, Anne Rhatigan, Vera Smith, Beryl O'Brien, Pat Oakey

those who have died recently especially

Brian Jobling, Ina Dredge

and those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially

William Henningan, Malcolm Wren, Norma Young, Joseph and Thomas Hanlon, Peter Readman,
Anne, Joseph and Isobel Mc Gurk, John Conway, Lawrence Waterson (*birth anniv.*), Dennis Morran,
Eddie Collins (*birth anniv.*), Richard Furness, Ethel Mary Stephenson, Bill Rider, Frank Hodgson,
John and Edward Lee, John Adams (*birth anniv.*)

Mass intentions have been received for

Jimmy McCarthy, Mark Wilson, S Hopes, Roy Smitheringale,
Tony Curtis

Collections

5th May £596.77

Many thanks for your support

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Parish Notices

The Strawberry Fair

The Strawberry Fair will take place on Sunday 1st July. Any unwanted Christmas gifts, etc., will be gratefully received. For further details please contact Helen Pennington.

Confirmation

NB. The Sacrament will be celebrated on the **20th June, 7pm** at **St Clare's Church**.

Parish Council

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday 17th May at 7pm in the Parish Room.

Aid to the Church in Need

Mrs Betty East will be making an appeal on behalf of Aid to the Church in Need at the weekend of 26th/27th May.

Church Cleaning

This normally takes place after 9am Mass on the first Wednesday of the month. More volunteers are needed. It is not a very long or difficult activity and more people would make it easier.

Next time is Wednesday 6th June. Just turn up please.

Apostleship of the Sea Holy Island Pilgrimage

On Saturday 9th June a coach will leave the Blue Bell Hotel car park at 8.30am. There will be a coffee stop at Alnwick and a stop at Seahouses for fish and chips.

We will return at around 8.30-9pm.

£12 per person. For more information contact Theresa on 591009.

St Clare's 200+ Club May Draw Winners

1st Prize: £50.00 No.121 2nd Prize: £30.00 No.28

3rd Prize: £20.00 No.223 4th Prize: £10.00 No.187

Congratulations to this month's winners. A big thank you to all supporters. We have 235 numbers in the 2012 Club.

The draw takes place every 1st Sunday of each month.

New members always welcome. See Theresa or Anne for info.

Marriage - What Can I Do?

The Home Office has launched its consultation on Equal Civil Marriage which seeks to extend the right to a civil marriage to same sex couples. The Government needs to know your views. Sign the Coalition for Marriage petition, respond to the consultation and write to your MP.

A change in the law would gradually and inevitably transform society's understanding of the purpose of marriage. It would reduce it just to the commitment of the two people involved. There would be no recognition of the complementarity of male and female or that marriage is intended for the procreation and education of children. We have a duty to married people today, and to those who come after us, to do all we can to ensure that the true meaning of marriage is not lost for future generations.

Protecting Marriage

A petition to protect the traditional definition of marriage is available in the church porch or on-line at c4m.org.uk or write to your MP ^{c/o} the House of Commons.

Diocesan Notices

Visit of the Papal Nuncio

The Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Antonio Mennini, has agreed to visit the Diocese on Saturday 26th May on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the new Cathedral. This is a significant event and Mass will be celebrated on the Vigil of Pentecost at 12 noon in the Cathedral. All parishes are welcome to come and celebrate this major milestone in the Diocese. There will be a marquee erected at the Cathedral and light refreshments will be available for all after Mass.

2012 - A Year to Remember

Be part of our Diocesan Lourdes Family.

Our Lady, through St Bernadette, invited people to travel in pilgrimage to Lourdes, and though you may be unable to accept the invitation to actually travel to Lourdes each year you can share in the Diocesan Pilgrimage by sending your own petitions with those who do take part. Simply write about those things for which you seek the intercession of Our Lady and put your petitions into a sealed envelope and place it in the Petition Box. All petitions will be taken to Lourdes and placed on the altar at the Opening Ceremony. They will then be taken to the Grotto, where candles will be lit for all your intentions.

Other Notices

Wondering about God?

Think God is wondering about you?

There will be a Vocations weekend for young women (20s and 30s) on 1st - 3rd June 2012 at Broadstairs, Kent

The weekend will provide opportunity for prayer and reflection, as well as discussion and input about apostolic religious life. We will talk about the vows, community living, prayer and service within the Church. For more information contact Sr MaryAnne fcj at maryannefcj@gmail.com or visit facebook event <https://www.facebook.com/events/261164863982326/>

Brookfield and Kader Walking Group

Wednesday 16th May 2012, a stroll at Tees Barrage.

Walk leaders Margaret N and Maureen. After registration drive (car-share) to the Barrage for a stroll to the Nature Reserve. Hope to see the seals! Refreshments afterwards at the Talpore Hotel.

About 3 miles.

Let's get Dan to the Olympics!

Daniel Woodhouse, an inspirational young man whose family is well-known to many of us, hopes to go to London to experience the Olympic Games this summer.

Dan suffers from Morquio Syndrome a rare condition which restricts growth. In 2003 he underwent surgery to help but this left him paralysed. He spent 11 months and 20 days in hospital. He requires artificial ventilation to breath, and needs 2 professional carers to look after him at all times. Despite this he has since passed GCSEs and A-levels and is currently studying for an open university degree. He enjoys music, reading and using his computer. He has a specially adapted wheelchair with mobile ventilator which allows him to occasionally enjoy some normal activities, like going to the cinema, watching football and attending concerts.

Now he would love to experience the Olympic Games with his devoted family, but the cost of organising travel for Dan, his family and his carers plus the accommodation he requires will be significant. So there will be a coffee morning in St Francis' Church Hall on May 19th from 10am until 2pm. All the money raised will help send Daniel Woodhouse to the Olympics. There will be a table top sale, a cake stall, face painting, tombola and a raffle. Entrance £2, includes coffee and scone.

Jo Boyce and Friends in Concert

Jo Boyce, well-known Catholic singer/songwriter from Boyce and Stanley, will be performing a concert of lively and inspiring liturgical music on Saturday 23rd June, 7.30pm in English Martyrs and Ss Peter and Paul RC Church in Stockton. Tickets £6 from 07810 521255 or from www.cjmmusic.com

Give Blood

Friday 1st June, 2.30-3.45pm and 4.30-7pm at Trinity Methodist Church Hall, Stainsby Road, Acklam. Call 0300 123 2323 to make an appointment.

Sunday Smile

Johnny proudly parked up his new VW Beetle convertible and went shopping. He had walked only 50 yards when he realised that he had left the roof down and his banjo on the back seat. He ran back to his car, but it was too late.

Another five banjos had already been dumped in the car.

A Daily Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Most Holy Spirit, we ask you today to awaken in many generous young hearts a deep desire to love and serve Christ and their sisters and brothers in the priesthood or as religious.

Help them to give themselves without reserve and to prepare themselves well so that their service may be whole hearted, loving, joyous, generous and persevering. May all their ambitions be rooted in the desire to make the Most Holy Trinity better known and loved by all people. This we ask of you and the Father through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Pray for us
St Wilfrid of York	Pray for us
St John of Beverley	Pray for us
St Margaret Clitherow	Pray for us
Blessed Nicholas Postgate	Pray for us
Blessed John Paul II	Pray for us

FOOTPRINTS IN FAITH

If we do all these things, what will Jesus call us?

Use the picture clues to complete the puzzle.
The answer will appear in the bold squares

