

ST MARY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

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7th Sunday of Easter

Hymns 830 971 752 770

God is Love

Anyone who lives in love lives in God and God lives in him

	<u>SI</u>	RVICES		
<u>Sacraments</u>	Reconciliation Saturday 4.30pm			with Fr. Clarke
		Weddings	By appointment	with Fr. Clarke
	MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED	AT 5PM ON	SATURDAYS	\sim
SUNDAY MASS	GREAT HARWOOD	9am Our Lady & St. Hubert's.		The lowers
		11am St. W	/ulstan's	
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Masses this coming Week St. Mary's Clayton Mon Wed Fri 10am Tuesday 11 am followed by the luncheon Club				
Great Harwood for daily Masses Tel No. 01254 884211				
Rishton for daily Masses Tel No. 07749821550 or check the website				
Dear Lord				
Watch over the little ones in our Parish Family and help us to lead them to you, we ask this through Christ Our Lord Amen				
MAY 13: OUR LADY OF FATIMA Sunday — 13th May 2018 Feast Day of our Lady of Fatima				

"Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world. And after each decade say the following prayer: 'O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of Thy mercy." - Our Lady to the 3 children of Fatima

- Catholics striving for Holiness -

On the 13th May 1917 Our Lady first appeared to the three Shepherd Children Lucia Santos and Cousins Jacinta & Francisco Marto in the Cova da Iria. " fields outside the hamlet of Aljustrel Nr. Fatima". She appeared to the children 6 times between 13th May and 13th October 1917.



The Three Little Children of the Famous Fatima Apparitions.

MASS INTENTIONS

Special Intention Roger Smethurst

Lately deceased Marie Archer Roberts **Rev Terry Murnnane**

Anniversaries John Gilbraith 14th May **30th Anniversary**

Birthday Anniversaries Kathleen Gilbraith 23rd May Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them through Christ Our Lord Amen

SICK Mass Offering for Ellen Conway for a speedy recovery

Please pray for Ellen Conway, Giovanni and Annette Forte, Edith Wilkinson, Sharon Lord, Patrick Connolly, Mrs Sheila O 'Connor, and all the sick of our parish especially all those in our hospitals, nursing homes, and the housebound, and all who care for them.

Mass Offerings may be handed to Father Clarke or alternatively placed through the Presbytery letter box. Details should include the name of the person and the reason for the intention.

THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED LADY

Prayer to Mary Immaculate

Mary, Mother God, your greatness began at the first instance of your existence with the privilege of your Immaculate Conception. After Almighty God and the Sacred Humanity of Jesus, there is no being so great as you. It is true, you are a creature, and therefore, far beneath the Supreme Being. But you are a creature so holy and so perfect that you are superior to all other creatures. God alone could make you so holy and so beautiful, and He did so to make you worthy of the dignity of being the Mother of Jesus, the Son of God, and the Divine Word. It was fitting that you,

a Virgin Mother, should conceive the Man who was also the Son of God. It was fitting that you should be adorned with the greatest purity ever possible to a creature. You are the Virgin to whom God the Father decreed to give His only Son - the Divine Word, equal to Himself in all things - that entering the natural order He might become your son as well as His. You are the Immaculate Virgin whom the Son Himself chose to make His Mother. You are the Immaculate Virgin whom the Holy Spirit willed to make His Bride and in whom He would work the tremendous miracle of the Incarnation. The privilege of the Immaculate Conception was suitable to your dignity Mary, my immaculate Mother, help me to imitate your sinlessness by keeping my soul free from every will-full sin by the faithful observance of God's commandments. Help me to imitate your fullness of grace by receiving Holy Communion frequently, where I shall obtain the sanctifying grace that will make my soul holy and pleasing to God, and the actual graces I need to practice virtue. Through prayer may grace fill my soul with the life of God and transform me into a living image of Jesus just as you were. Through Christ Our Lord Amen.

St. Charles's Rishton

Quiz Night Friday 8th June 2018 at 7pm

Tickets £5-00 includes Meat & Potato or Cheese Pie & Trimmings plus a glass Bring your own wine (No corkage) Soft drinks are available to purchase. Maximum 6 per team. For further details see notice in Church Porch or contact Andrea 07794 362183 dave_and_andrea@btinternet.com

Parish Social Events

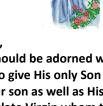
Parish 200 Club Draw

The winner of the second weekly draw of £25

K Dunne Agent Eileen Hope No. 40

Parish Income week ending 5th May 2018 £346-86 Nos. Attending Mass 127

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