

The Parishes of St. Anne, Ormskirk & St. Elizabeth, Scarisbrick

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Your Newsletter 8th August 2010

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

Readings: L1 Wis 18:6-9; L2 Heb 11:1-2, 8-9 (or 1-2, 8-12); G Lk 12:32-48 (or 35-40)

St Anne			St Elizabeth		
Saturday	7 th	7.00pm	<i>Joseph Fitzpatrick</i>		
Sunday	8 th	10.45am 4.30pm	<i>Sylvia Stanley & Kenneth Humphries</i> <i>All Parishioners</i>		
Monday <i>St Teresa</i> <i>Benedicta</i>	9 th	9.15am	<i>Rev Dom Anscar Cawley</i>		
Tuesday <i>St. Lawrence</i>	10 th	Noon	<i>Requiem Mass:</i> <i>Mary Elizabeth Mellett</i>		
Wednesday <i>St. Clare</i>	11 th		9.30am	<i>May Mellett</i>	
Thursday	12 th	Noon	<i>William & Elizabeth Shepherd</i>		
Friday	13 th		9.30am	<i>Alice Simpson</i>	
Saturday <i>St. Maximilian</i> <i>Mary Kolbe</i>	14 th	11.00am Noon 7.00pm	<i>Exposition & Reconciliation</i> <i>Seamus Hanafin</i> <i>Barry Moss</i>		
			Sunday 15th Aug	8.45am 9.15am	<i>Reconciliation</i> <i>Agnes Mary Crawley</i>

Dear Parishioners

On Friday we celebrated the feast of The Transfiguration of Christ. I have always associated this feast of Jesus, going up the mountain to pray and being caught up into the radiance of the life of the Trinity, with hot summer days, though, to be honest, I can't remember 6 August being a sunny day! On our parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land three years ago we followed in Jesus' footsteps up Mount Tabor-only we went by coach and minibus! The afternoon haze and the stunning views left little to the imagination as we recalled Jesus being in that place with his three apostles who were so overwhelmed by what they witnessed.

A 14th century Greek monk called Gregory Palamas reflected on the Transfiguration as follows: Jesus allows the apostles to have a glimpse of his divine nature: as the sun shines on us and lights up our way, so Christ's divine nature enlightens our spiritual lives and enables us to encounter God in our daily lives; prayer was the context in which the apostles experienced this vision of Christ's glory. As the apostles opened their minds and hearts to the Lord so in that situation of prayer they were able to receive the light that always shone from the being of Jesus.

We probably all have moments of insight when we 'glimpse' something of the greatness and glory beyond ourselves but we can't base our whole lives merely on spiritual experiences. What happened to the apostles on Tabor didn't stop them from misunderstanding Jesus later on and running away from Him! But I imagine that those moments lingered with them and, in the end, contributed to 'the penny dropping'!

Fr. Godric

The week ahead and beyond:

All the events below are held in St. Anne's Parish Centre unless stated otherwise.

Today, Sunday Retiring Collection today at St. Anne's only: S.V.P. Cabaret: 7.30pm.
Mon 9th Aug Monday Club: 2pm; Yoga: 7pm.
Tue 10th Aug Bingo: 7pm.
Fri 13th Aug Stay & Play 10.30am (see under St. Elizabeth's News).
Wed 18th Aug Ladies Lunch Aughton: Tel 421339
Thu 26th Aug Public Pilgrimage: Sutton, St. Helens: 6.30pm (see below for details)

Anniversaries which occur over the next week:

St. Anne: Hilda Sarah Whitby, Malcolm Leslie James, Peter Dominic Murphy, Brian Joseph Quigley, Winifred Anne Rawsthorne, Ann Humes, Margaret Stimpson.

St. Elizabeth: Joseph Bond, John Hopwood, Thomas Gradwell, Gertrude Naylor, Anne Stafford, Theresa Rawlinson, Henry Olverson.

Please pray for the sick in our parishes, especially:

Margaret Beech, Joyce Bilbow, Chris Bourne, Dennis Carey, Brenda Colville, Joseph Crawley, Mary Dobson, Marie Grundy, Barbara Hilliard, Joseph Houghton, Cathy Nash, Donna Smith, Eric Young.

Please pray for Mary Mellett who died recently.

PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE:

We shall be finalising the arrangements for next years Pilgrimage by Wednesday of next week. Please can we have your deposits in by Wednesday?

FORTHCOMING SPONSORED WALKS:

RIGHT TO LIFE The RTL Annual
Sponsored walk across Morecambe Bay will take place on Saturday 4th September.

St. Joseph's Hospice, Thornton is
organizing a Sponsored walk along the Tolkien Trail on Saturday 9th October.

If you wish to take part in either of these, or would like more information, please take a leaflet about each at the back of both our churches.

YOUTH NEWS:

There are no sessions today or 15th August. However, the Wednesday sessions are on from 2-4pm. Please register for Wednesdays via the website. There are also a few places left on the cycling day: see website or e-mail Mike for details.

We have been given 2 for 1 tickets to Camelot, and will be going on Thursday 26th August. Please come and join us as a family for a great day at Camelot and a shared lunch whilst the Knights joust. Tickets are at the back of church.

www.st-annesormskirk.org.uk/groups/amplify.html

Mobile: 07748 621533

Join our Face book group Amplify Youth Group or add mpyouthminister as a friend to get updates.

Reconciliation

During the month of August at St. Anne's, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturdays 11-11.45am; not on Saturday evenings.

In the Footsteps of St. Paul: Pilgrimage to Greece. Saturday 21st May to 30th May 2011

If anyone is interested, forms are available in St. Anne's parish office and must be returned by 27th August 2010.

PUBLIC PILGRIMAGE in honour of Blessed Dominic Barberi. The Church of St. Anne and Blessed Dominic, Monastery Road, Sutton, St. Helens, WA9 3ZD. Thursday 26th August, Mass at 6.30pm. Chief celebrant and guest speaker, The Archbishop of Liverpool Most Reverend Patrick Kelly.

ST. ELIZABETH'S NEWS:

Summer Stay and Play: Summer Stay and Play each Friday during St Mary's school summer break, come along and join in the fun. All families welcome to stay and play in the church gardens. Picnic lunch and drinks required. From 10:30am to 1:30pm on Aug 13th, 20th, and 27th. Parental supervision required at all times for further information call Margaret 07739801431

Gift-Aid: Letters for parishioners who gift-aid are now ready in the parish office.

Cleaning Rota: Ladies of group 1 are in charge of the cleaning.

Funny Money: Any types of coins or notes wanted for Nugent Care.

ST. ANNE'S NEWS:

On 4th September Tony Gill will be retiring as St. Anne's Graveyard Manager. We are very grateful to Tony for his unstinting service over more than 9 years. We wish him every happiness in his retirement. All enquiries about the graveyard should be addressed to the parish office.

Are you interested in becoming an Altar Server? We are looking for boys and girls who will be aged 9 or over by 31st August. If interested, please ask your parents to hand your name & contact number into the Priory. Training will start after the summer holidays.

Cleaning Rota: Group 2 is needed this week please.

Christmas Raffle: After many years of faithfully running the Christmas Raffle, Joe Corbett is stepping down but will still act in an advisory role to the new organizers, Sue Proffitt and Fran Morley. We all thank Joe for his time and enthusiasm in running the raffle. To make the raffle a continued success, if you can donate any unwanted gifts for us to use, please can you hand them into Fran at the Repository or place in the box at the back of church. Many thanks, Fran Tel: 574308.

The parish office is closed from Monday 16th August until Tuesday 31st August.

Lectio Divina

You are invited to take a copy of The Wednesday Word from the back of church, to help you prepare for next Sunday's celebration, which is the Assumption of Our Lady. We will meditate on the Gospel, which gives us the beautiful Magnificat, and ask the question:

- How may we in our daily lives show gratitude and give praise to God?

Our first reading is the woman giving birth, while the dragon waits to eat the child as soon as it is born. This is often a bewildering passage, and Fr Wansborough's reflection gives us a fascinating insight. The second reading gives St. Paul's teaching on bodily resurrection, which neatly rounds off our meditation on the Word of God for this very special Feast Day.

You can also find this, and more on:

www.wednesdayword.org