

Day	Time	Place	Intention
11 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30	Church	Deceased members of the Grant & Mallett families
15 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	6.30	Church	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>

No Monday morning Masses until further notice.  
Sunday readings: year B

**Feasts of the Week:** Wed. - **Ash Wednesday** - **Day of Fasting & Abstinence**

**Anniversaries from our List:** Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Joan Marshall Gornall, Julia Anna Clement, Robert Hollinghurst, Robert Smith and Frederick King.

**Attendance & Collections:**

Attendance - 65      Collection - £184.10

**Dates for Your Diary**

Date	Time	Where	What
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb.		Church	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> Feb			Return to school
25 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
4 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
11 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30	Church	Family Mass – Mother's Day
18 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
25 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
1 <sup>st</sup> April	10.30	Church	Easter Sunday



# St. Francis Hill Chapel Newsletter

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(newsletter items)

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

### *Parish Mission Statement*

*Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron, St. Francis, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community, by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.*

**Today** is a Day of Prayer for the Unemployed and also World Day for the Sick.

**Mass Intention for Today:** Deceased members of the Grant family and the Mallett family.

**Sick of the Parish:** If you would like the parish to pray for someone who is currently sick, please email [news@stfrancis.org.uk](mailto:news@stfrancis.org.uk) or ring Fr. Sony on 01772 865229. It will then be included on the sick list of the Newsletter. We have an area in church where you can write on a card and hang it up if you prefer it not to go on the parish newsletter. M. Peel.

**Cycle of Prayer** before Lent: the Sick and those who care for them, 11<sup>th</sup> Feb., and also the Unemployed, 11th Feb.

**Church Services TV:** For anyone who is unable to get to Mass and who have a computer or tablet, it is now possible to watch Mass live each day of the week, free of charge. There is a website that many parishes subscribe to, so that people are able to access this facility. It is ideal for the sick and housebound so that they can still feel that they are not missing out with Mass. The nearest parish to Hill Chapel from which this facility is available is St. Mary's, Bamber Bridge.

Church Services TV was established in 2005 and streams services over the internet helping parishes and other religious organisations expand their reach across the globe well beyond traditionally possible.

Parishes and organisations can stream Mass, weddings, funerals, music and all other kinds of events from churches, halls and any other venue. The website is [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv) if you need any help with this please see Tom Ibison who uses this site regularly.

**Confirmation:** To the parents of children (age 10+) living in the parish but not attending St. Francis School, if you would like your child to take part in the Confirmation programme this year, please contact Jenny Rossall on [jennyrossall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jennyrossall@hotmail.co.uk).



**First Holy Communion:** The next session Of the WYA course will be on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> February.

**Thanks from the Ashton family:** Lily Ashton and family would like to thank everyone who attended Jack's Requiem Mass and for all your prayers, cards and messages of condolence and support. Thanks also to the parishioners who assisted with preparations for and at the mass.

**Women's' World Day of Prayer:** This will be held at St. Hilda's, Bilborrow, on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, at 2pm. We need two readers for the event. One from Hill Chapel and one from Claughton would be ideal. Anyone who has the time and is willing to attend the rehearsal on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, would be welcome. Please contact Pat Turner on 01772 865500.

**From the Archives:** Staying with the school theme from last month's archive entry, I turn this month to 1963 when the then headteacher, Mrs. Hilda Grimbaldeston, retired from her post. The following article appeared in the local press. January 1963.

"Memories of almost 40 years as a schoolmistress came flooding back last week for Mrs. Hilda Grimbaldeston with a presentation from parents and past pupils of Hill Chapel RC School which she has served for more than 34 years. Well over 70 people attended the ceremony which was held at the Stag's Head Hotel.

To mark her retirement from teaching, a gold watch & a decorated scroll were presented to her by Mr. W/ Holden. Following the presentation a cake specially made for the occasion by Mrs. Dewhurst, was cut and a toast given in her honour.

All of Mrs. Grimbaldeston's many years service at Hill Chapel has been spent in the capacity as headmistress and, during her retirement, she is planning to read for a history degree. She is being succeeded as headmistress by her assistant for the past 23 years, Miss M.E. Gillow"

Truly a remarkably loyal teacher and servant of our school at Hill Chapel/ Some of you may remember Mrs Grimbaldeston and may even have been taught by her, or Miss Gillow. I wonder if she ever did manage to gain her degree in history. M. Bryan. (With thanks to Tom and Mary Ibison for passing on press cuttings to me).

**Gardening & Cleaning Day:** Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**Notices: Goosnargh & Whittingham Heritage Group**  
**Are there Bats or Bells in the Belfry?**

An entertaining talk by Tom Hickson, Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, at St. Mary's, Goosnargh, at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome, light refreshments served.

**Tea, Coffee and biscuits available after the  
Sunday Mass.  
All parishioners, friends and visitors are very welcome  
To join us**

