

Day	Time	Place	Intention
18 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30	Church	Tom & Roselin Bolton

No Monday morning Masses until further notice.

Sunday readings: year B

**Feasts of the Week:** Thurs. - The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle  
 Fri. - Lent Fast Day

**Anniversaries from our List:** Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Maria Johanna Holden, Henry Marsh, Ethel Jane Charnley, Francis Roger Holden, Sean Anthony Kelly and Thomas Dewhurst.

**Attendance & Collections:**

Attendance - 81      Collection - £338.70

**Dates for Your Diary**

Date	Time	Where	What
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)

**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**18<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.*

**Friday is Lent Fast Day.**

**Mass Intention for Today** is for Tom and Roselin Bolton.

**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** during Lent: We are asked to pray for candidates for the Sacraments especially on the Sundays of Lent; for Women – Women's Day

of Prayer, 2<sup>nd</sup> March; the Needy & Hungry of the World ( especially on Lent Fast Day, 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb) and for Penitents and Wanderers.

**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.

**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.

**Latest News:** Pope Francis has named a priest of the Diocese of Lancaster as the seventh Bishop of the Diocese: Canon Paul Swarbrick.

“I wish Canon Swarbrick every blessing as he assumes this new and challenging ministry as Bishop of Lancaster, and assure him of the prayers of all of us that he will prove to be a true shepherd after the heart of Christ”.

Bishop-Elect Paul Swarbrick, 59, from Garstang, has been a priest of the Diocese for over 35 years. Born on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 1958, to George Vincent and Alice Swarbrick (Horn), Canon Paul Swarbrick has three sisters and one brother. He went to primary school in Garstang and then on to Lancaster Royal Grammar School before training for the Priesthood at Ushaw College, Co. Durham. Ordained priest on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 1982, at Sts. Mary & Michael's Church, Garstang, he would go on to serve as Assistant priest at St. Mary's, Kells, Whitehaven (1982-83), St. Maria Goretti, Preston, (1983-84), St. Cuthbert, Blackpool, (1984-90), where he was also Chaplain to St. Mary's Catholic High School, Blackpool, before volunteering to serve on the missions in Monze Diocese, Zambia (1990-2005).

Upon his return from Zambia he assisted at English Martyrs, Preston (2005-06) and for a few months at Mater Amabilis, Ambleside, until he was appointed Parish Priest at the Sacred Heart, Preston, whilst also in charge of St. Walburge's, Preston (2007-10). In 2010 he was appointed Parish Priest at Our Lady & St. Michael, Workington – now the enlarged parish of Christ, the Good Shepherd, Workington-Harrington, where he currently serves – and is also the local Dean (Vicar Forane) for West Cumbria. In 2015 he was made a Canon of Lancaster Cathedral Chapter.

**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**