

Praying for the Sick If you would like to pray for someone who is sick please email news@stfrancisgoosnargh.org.uk or ring Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the newsletter. We have an area in church where you can write a prayer intention on a card and hang if you prefer

Cycle of Prayer during Easter - We pray for new members of the Church; Human work – St Joseph the worker, Vocations: Survivors of sexual abuse, Right Use of the media on Communications Day (29th May) the church – especially at Pentecost.

Feast Days this Week: Monday, the Blessed Virgin, Mother of the Church Thursday – Our Lord Jesus Christ Saturday - St Barnabus

Diary Dates

12th June – Sunday Family Mass
19th June – First Holy Communion – 11.30am, Parish Mass – 10.30am
3rd July - Sunday Family Mass
12th July - Confirmation – 7.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 19th July – School Leavers Mass – 9,30a.m.

Newsletter Co-ordinator

We are URGENTLY looking for someone to update the newsletter weekly. If you could help – please see Mary Doran or Mike Bryan.

Attendance and Collection:

29th May: Attendance 47 | Collection £85.00



**St Francis Hill Chapel
Parish Newsletter**

The Hill, Horns lane, Goosnargh.
Preston PR32FJ

Telephone: 01772 865229

Clergy: Fr Sony Joseph Kadamthodu

www.stfrancisgoosnargh.org

PENTECOST

5th June, 2022 Readings – Year C

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, 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's Mass is for Malachy Conlon.

There will be 9.30 am mass this Tuesday.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Thomas Anthony Coupe and Malachy Conlon. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.*

Safety Rules For Mass

Many thanks for your co-operation. Although safety rules have been restricted, we are only a small church and do want everyone to be kept safe:

- Please sanitise your hands on entry
- Please wear a mask on entry, on receiving Holy Communion and when leaving church.

From the Archives

Along with the rest of the nation, this weekend we are commemorating Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Elizabeth II. Elizabeth Alexandra Mary, was born on 21st April 1926. She is Queen of the United Kingdom and fourteen other Commonwealth realms. She became Queen upon the death of her father George VI, on 6th February 1952 whilst she was away on a tour of the Commonwealth in Kenya. Her coronation was held the following year on June 2nd, 1953 in Westminster Abbey. She is now the longest reigning monarch of all time.

The Queen is also the head of the Church of England, a role she takes very seriously. As Sovereign she holds the title, 'Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England'. These titles date back to the reign of King Henry VIII who was initially granted the title 'Defender of the Faith' in 1521 by Pope Leo X. When Henry VIII renounced the 'spiritual authority of the Papacy' in 1534, he proclaimed himself 'Supreme head on earth' of the Church of England. This was repealed by the Catholic Queen Mary I, but reinstated during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I, who was proclaimed 'Supreme Governor' of the Church of England.

The Queen's relationship with the Church of England was symbolised at the Coronation in 1953 when Her Majesty was anointed by the

Archbishop of Canterbury and took an oath to "Maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline and government thereof, as by laws established in England".

On the advice of the Prime Minister, The Queen appoints Archbishops, Bishops and Deans of the Church of England, who then swear an oath of allegiance and pay homage to Her Majesty. Church of England deacons and parish priests also swear an oath of allegiance to the Sovereigns. A refusal to take this oath during penal times in England led to the martyrdom of many Catholic clerics and lay people. In spiritual and practical matters, the Church of England is led by 108 Bishops and managed by a General Synod, which is elected every five years from the laity and clergy of its forty-one dioceses. The Synod meet twice annually in London or York to consider legislation for the good of the Church. The legislation is subject to Parliamentary veto and receives Royal Assent as Acts of Parliament.

The Queen acknowledges and celebrates religious diversity and tolerance in the UK and the Commonwealth. This is reflected in Her Majesty's Christmas and Commonwealth Day messages which often address the theme of inter-faith-harmony and tolerance. During her reign she has met five Popes including Pope Francis in 2014. When the Queen and the Pope exchanged gifts inside the Vatican, Pope Francis gave the Queen a royal orb made of lapis lazuli with a silver cross on top for her baby great-grandson Prince George. The orb is an emblem of royal power which the ancient Romans used to represent the universe before it was adapted by Christians who added a cross on top to represent the world under Christianity. The Queen presented the pontiff with a hamper of British produce, including goods grown in the gardens of royal palaces and a large bottle of whisky!

Long May She Reign!

Mike Bryan

