

Attendance and Collection

18th June Attendance 49 Collection £158.10 including baptism
25th June Attendance 5 Collection £205.80

Special Collection next week - Good Shepherd Fund

Hill Chapel Library

We have a box at the back of church with a variety of religious books belonging to parishioners which other people may like to read. If you would like to borrow any of the books or add some books of your own for other members of our parish to use - you are more than welcome. Please do fill in the form when taking and returning the books. Many thanks.

Parishioners Who are Unwell

If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter. We also have an area in Church where you can write a prayer intention on a card and hang up if you prefer.

Feast Days

Wed – St. John Plessington, John Wall & companions – Martyrs of Lancashire
Thurs – St. Apollinaris
Fri – St. Lawrence of Brindisi
Sat – ST MARY MAGDALEN

School Diary Dates

Monday, 17 th July	Pre-School Leavers Assembly in school
Thursday, 20 th July	Leavers Mass at 10.30 am in Church

Baptism

We welcome into our church family Emilia McVeigh who will be baptised today at 12pm. May God's light shine on her always.



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Day for Seafarers 16th July - Readings - Year A

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 Intention is for the Clarkson Family

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially
Lawrence Ibison, Monica Gornall, Shirley Walker,
Constance Mary Barber, Birdie Platt and Magi Clabrough.

We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially
Fr. Michael Lakeland,

There will be no Mass on Tuesday

Tea and Coffee are served at the back of church after Sunday Mass.

From the Archives

Last week I wrote about the history of the Chapel of St William of York, Lee House in Chaigley. This small rural Catholic chapel has many historical similarities to White Hill and our own Hill Chapel. The mission was founded in 1738 and was served by the Franciscan and Benedictine Orders. During penal times, the mission served the local catholic community and Mass was celebrated in secret in the original farmhouse. The first priest to serve the mission, Fr Helmes, O.S.F., was arrested, imprisoned, and died in Lancaster Castle during a period of renewed attacks on Catholics suspected of supporting the 1745 Jacobite 'rebellion'. Fr Helmes was a Goosnargh man and served Lee House from White Hill.

In 1827, Fr Francis Trappes, a Jesuit priest, built the present church and house. In 1963 the mission was incorporated into the Diocese of Salford. Although no longer a parish, Mass is celebrated every First Friday of the month. The mission continues today under the guidance of Joseph Howson and his wife, with the focus of putting our catholic faith into action. The mission offers support to refugees, it strives to raise awareness about modern day slavery, and provides experiential learning opportunities for young people to explore our relationship with the natural world. It offers support to subsistence farmers in Brazil; and is active in the work of CAFOD, Caritas and the Hope in the Future Programme. This small Catholic mission takes a lead in conservation projects; engaging schools in addressing issues of justice; running workshops and talks on theology, science, prayer, and reflection. These are just some of the ways the mission serves our local, ecological, and global communities.

The chapel itself is well hidden in a peaceful part of our rural Lancashire community. Local parishes and Catholic organisations are encouraged to visit and celebrate mass in its charming, and beautiful interior. A visit by our own parish of St Francis has now been organised for Thursday, 31st August at 7pm. Fr Sony will celebrate mass and parishioners will be able to experience the peace, tranquillity and spirituality of this special place. Following the mass, we will move a short distance to Ferraris Country House to enjoy a buffet supper as a celebration of our parish unity, faith and friendship.

Details of this visit appear in a separate section of this newsletter. The P.P.C. hopes that you and your family will be able to attend and make the evening a very special occasion for the Hill Chapel Community and a celebration of all our parish activities this year.

Mike Bryan

Parish Mass – Lee House Chaigley 31 August at 7 pm

Followed by a Buffet at Ferraris Country Hotel

Please join us for this Special Parish Mass and Celebration.

Fr Sony will celebrate mass for all our parishioners at the historic and beautiful Lee House Chapel at 7pm on 31 August. The mass will be followed by a social gathering and buffet at Ferraris Restaurant.

The event, which is in response to a suggestion made at a recent parish Synodal meeting, is open to all parishioners, family and friends. The cost of the buffet is £16 p.p. and will include a choice of two desserts, - hot and cold drinks will be available to purchase at the licensed bar.

If you would like to attend, please give your name and the number of tickets required to a member of the PPC at the back church after Sunday mass. Payment may be made either by cash or cheque, made payable to St Francis RC Church.

We do hope you will be able to join us for what should be a most enjoyable evening.

The PPC