

### **Dale House Gardens Open Days**

Dale house gardens = off Church Lane Goosnargh, PR32BE, will be open for charity on Saturday, and Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> June. Adults £3.30, children free.

### **Attendance and Collection**

14th May Attendance 52 Collection £182.20 including baptism

21st May Attendance 49 Collection £110.00

28th May Attendance 72 Collection £187.00

We are resuming collections during the mass.

Special Collection next week - Day for Life

### **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.

### **Cycle of Prayer**

A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews

### **Feast Days**

Tues – St. Anthony of Padua

Fri – THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Sat – The Immaculate Heart of Mary

### **Stonyhurst College Open Days**

This summer's museum and library open days at Stonyhurst college are now available for booking on the Stonyhurst website <https://www.stonyhurst.ac.uk/about-us/stonyhurst-college-historic-collections/exhibitions/a-summer-of-shakespeare>



## **St Francis Hill Chapel Parish Newsletter**

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## **THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST – CORPUS CHRISTI**

**11<sup>th</sup> June - 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 Bob Barron**

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

We remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Jeanette Marie Forrest, Barbara Webb, Richard Gornall, Joan Sumner, Elizabeth Rosaline Bolton, Frank Holden, Joseph Jason Nugent and Brendan Thomas Dewhurst

On Tuesday 13th June 9.00 am Adoration and Mass @ 9.30am.

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

**Today Sixteen of our pupils are making their First Holy Communion during the 10.30 am Mass.**

We send our prayers and best wishes to **Charlie, Daisy, Elena, Ethan. Eva, Freddie, Freddie, Harris, Joshua, Lewis, Matilda, Mia, Paige, Scarlett, Sienna and Suki.**

These children have been preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist since last October. This cohort made their First Confession in December and are now ready to make their First Holy Communion today.

The Sacraments are Signs of God's presence in our lives and are part of God's gift to us. Preparation for the Sacraments is a whole parish commitment. We have moved from preparing people for sacraments as isolated events to inviting them into a relationship with Jesus in the community of the church and supporting them on their lifelong journey of having a close relationship with God.

Parents are a child's first teacher. At the sacrament of baptism parents chose for their child to be welcomed into God's family. They have chosen to continue that faith journey working with their child as they receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

At Hill Chapel, we follow the 'With You Always' Programme. This has involved seven sessions that have taken place after school where children and parents have taken part in each session, led by the catechist and supported by Father Sony.

Each of these sessions have been interactive where parents and children have worked together, sharing ideas, supporting, guiding and learning too. There has been a shared prayer at the end of each meeting where we have celebrated what has been learnt with ideas on how to put into practise what has been covered at each session.

The children who are receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist have been fully supported by their own family and I would like to say a Very Big Thank-you to these parents for their commitment and support throughout the programme. The children and their parents really have been a pleasure to work with.

Special thanks also to our School. Their support throughout this programme has been invaluable. The faith journey that our pupils make in school has really helped as their knowledge of Jesus and his life is so well grounded. They are also used to praying together, to sharing ideas and to leading their own faith worships too. These skills were a great asset when taking part in the Sacramental programme.

Thanks also to our parish community for their prayers for these children. In the gift bags that the Communicants receive today, there is a card from 'Mary's Meals' - a catholic charity that provides a nutritious meal a day for a year for children in need all over our world. Donations from our parish members has enabled us to purchase meals for three children for a whole year. This is specified on their card. Thank-you!

**May God keep all our First Communicants in his loving care all their life through.**

Mary Doran

**Gardening News**

Thank you to our new volunteers who have joined our team. . If you feel you would be able to help - do contact Frank or Margaret Ashton. We do all work together, supporting, planting and planning. We are always open to new suggestions so if you have any thoughts or offers of help - please do share those with us - we would love to hear from you. Many Thanks

The Gardening Team