

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Intention</b>
27 <sup>th</sup> January	10.30	Church	Jack Ashton

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

**Feasts of the Week:** Monday - St. Thomas Aquinas  
 Thursday - St. John Bosco  
 Saturday - The Presentation of the Lord  
 Candlemas Day

**Anniversaries from our List:** Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Basil Knight, Frances Gornall, Dan Parker, Thomas Bolton, George Bancroft, Ellen Goring and Wilfrid Walmsley

**Attendance & Collection:**

Attendance. - 70 Collection - £417.50

**Dates for Your Diary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>What</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	Family Mass
17 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	10.30	Church	Children's Liturgy



## St. Francis Hill Chapel Newsletter

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**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**27<sup>th</sup> January, 2019**

***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.*

**Mass Intention for Today** is for Jack Ashton.

**Cycle of Prayer – Ordinary Time:** before Lent, Victims of Human Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it on 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. St. Josephine Bakhita. The Sick and those who care for them (Day for the Sick, Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb.) Racial Justice – Racial Justice Day, 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. For Women – Women's World Day of Prayer, Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> March. The Unemployed, 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

**Sick of the Parish:** If 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. Please pray for a parishioner who is sick and in hospital, Mr. Joe Nugent, formerly of Bushell House. 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.

### ***Interpretation of church fathers on the gospel passage of 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the ordinary time Lk 1:1-4; 14-21***

#### TRADITIONS OF INCARNATION AND ATONEMENT ST.CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA

They “who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word” did not hand on to us that he was one son and another, as I said, but one and the same, God and man at the same time, the only-begotten and the firstborn. This came about in order that he might have the first title as God and the second as man, when he “was born among many brothers, “having assumed our likeness. He had not joined another man to himself-as it seemed good to some persons to think-but he really and truly became man and did not relinquish being what he was, being God by nature and impassible. For this reason he voluntarily suffered in his own flesh. He has not given the body of someone else for us. Rather, the only-begotten word of God himself offered himself, after he became man, as an immaculate victim to God the father.

#### **From the Archives**

As we begin another new year, I feel it might be interesting to look back at the history of our church and parish and to remind ourselves of some key events from the past. I begin with the early years and will follow this up in future weeks by looking at more recent times.

The first church was built in Goosnargh during the 11<sup>th</sup>C. it remained a small rural Catholic church until the reformation when it was taken over by the newly created Church of England; - St Mary the Virgin remains the Parish Church of Goosnargh. During the following years the local Catholic population was forced to celebrate mass secretly in people’s homes around the surrounding countryside. We still have a small portable altar stone and a Holy Water Stoop used by the travelling priests. In 1562 Blessed George

Beesley was born in what is now the present presbytery, he trained for the priesthood in Europe but returned to a very dangerous England, he was captured and executed in 1591. In 1687, as things began to improve slightly, the Franciscans built a small chapel at White Hill; this was however destroyed by a mob and a second one was built in 1715; nothing now remains of that building. It was during this time that Fr. Germanus Helme was imprisoned in Lancaster Gaol and died in 1746; his ghost, dressed in a Franciscan habit, is said to have made several appearances at Hill Chapel!

In 1755 a new church was built attached to the house at Hill Chapel. Nevertheless, it was sited two miles outside the village and built to resemble a barn with clear windows surrounded by trees and foliage. Initially it was the private chapel of the Blackburne family who owned the house and the land and access to mass would have been by invitation. The church was extended in 1802. Baptismal records were not recorded, however until 1770; some of these are now held in the County Records Office. Mike Bryan

#### **Notices:**

**Facing Depression Together:** support group for those with mental health concerns, e.g. anxiety, depression. Central Methodist Church, Lune Street, Preston, PR1 2NL. Thursday evening, 7.30 – 9.00pm. Be heard, respected and accepted, and receive help to work through mental health concerns.

**Gentle Approach to Cancer Association:** Meetings on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month. Gerrard St., off Bow Lane, Preston. For more information contact Joan Moran on 865024 or [www.gentleapproach.org.uk](http://www.gentleapproach.org.uk)

**Sale of Religious Items: The Carmelite Convent** on St. Vincent’s Road, Fulwood, and the **Repository at Ladyewell, Fernyhalgh**, now have items for sale for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Rosary Beads, etc., as well as a large selection of cards for various occasions. Other items will be ordered on request.

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

