

Easter Dates

Hill Chapel :

Friday 3rd April – Good Friday @ 3pm

Sunday 5th April – Easter Sunday @10.30pm **followed by Easter Egg Hunt**

Claughton :

Thursday 2nd April - Holy Thursday @ 6.30pm followed by watching at the altar of repose until 9pm

Saturday 4th April – Easter Vigil @7pm

Longridge Foodbank Collection

We are continuing to collect for Longridge Foodbank during Lent.

Church Website our new website address- stfrancisgoosnargh.co.uk

Attendance and Collection

22nd Feb Attendance 79 Collection £168.95

1st Mar Attendance 76 Collection £179.00

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Wed – ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

People who are Unwell If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229

Mass Intentions

Fr Sony Joseph has only a few Mass intentions remaining for specific dates. All Mass offerings and intentions are warmly welcome. If you would like a Mass to be offered on a particular day, please inform Fr Sony or place the intention, along with the offering and details in an envelope on the collection plate at the back of the church.

Gift Aid

This makes a significant difference to our parish income at no extra cost to you. If you are a UK taxpayer, we can claim an additional 25p for every £1 you donate. Please consider setting up a Standing Order. If you attend Hill Chapel Church you can also register a payment card to use on the card reader, either online or directly on the reader itself.



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Parish Safeguarding Representative –Maria Peel

Sunday 22nd March 5th Sunday of Lent Mass 10.30am

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 being offered for **Theresa Sebastian**

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially
Shirley Walker & Frank Morris.

We remember Joseph Gornall
whose anniversary occurs around this time .

We welcome into our church family **Logan & Jessica Dover** who will be baptised during mass today. May God's light shine on them always

There will be a Whole School Mass at 9.30am on Tuesday - Stations of the Cross 9.10. Confession available after mass

Tea & Coffee will be served at the back of church after Sunday mass

School News – March 26.

We are **Journeying with Jesus** this Lent and all our school children are taking part in a **Lent Walk** to raise money to help our global family. Christine from CAFOD came to talk to us about this and we will have stops along the walk to reflect and finish with a silent prayer. Playground and around school set up with seven tables for children to interact with as they walk twice around the playground and outdoor area-needs mapping out CAFOD Club will be leading the event with seven stations around school with information about the Stations of The Cross and an activity to complete at each station area. There will be a space for reflection at each station. We are not in school in Holy Week but there will be a whole school mass at church next Tuesday.

Our Recent Ofsted Report

School achieved a strong standard in all areas on our recent Ofsted inspection. In the new grading system this shows that leaders are working above the standard expected of them. We are very pleased with all that our pupils achieve here at St Francis and send heartfelt thanks to our pupils, parents, our staff and our governors for their commitment and support.

Achievement Children achieve well by the end of the Reception Year, laying strong foundations for their future learning. This knowledge is further consolidated in Year 1, where typically all pupils achieve the expected standard in the phonics check. Pupils in key stage 2 learn to read confidently, fluently and with a high degree of comprehension. Across subjects and classes, pupils develop a deep knowledge of all subjects. They recall key learning well and can apply this in a range of contexts. Leaders check on the quality of teaching and learning to refine and improve the curriculum. Each subject is ambitious in its scope. The progressive way in which the curriculum is structured builds pupils' learning and helps teachers to check on how well pupils remember key knowledge. This ensures that pupils are ready for the next steps in their education. Teachers enable pupils to apply their knowledge to different contexts to develop a rich understanding of the topics they learn. Staff use their knowledge of individual pupils to adjust their approach to learning to meet pupils' specific needs. The effective, additional support that is put in place is effective in reducing barriers for learning so that all pupils access the same curriculum.

Leadership: Leaders have maintained and built upon the school's strengths in all areas. This ensures that pupils benefit from a very positive educational experience. Through their improvement work, leaders strive to make the school even better. Their actions make a tangible difference to pupils, such as in the continual refinement of the curriculum to ensure that pupils achieve well in many subjects. Staff understand these priorities and can see the positive impact of leaders' work. This steady, purposeful approach helps to sustain improvements across the school. Governors are knowledgeable. They use their expertise to validate the school's self-evaluation. They ask informed, probing questions and work in partnership with leaders. This ensures that all remain focused on what matters most for pupils. The decisions made by leaders and governors reflect a deep commitment to pupils' wellbeing and success. They think carefully about the needs of disadvantaged pupils and those with special educational needs and/or disabilities. As a result, the pupils benefit from provision that is increasingly well targeted to their needs.

Personal development and wellbeing

The school's personal development programme is woven effectively throughout the curriculum from the early years through to Year 6. Teachers thoughtfully encourage pupils to reflect on ethical issues and an understanding of their own and others' faiths.

Wishing you all a Very Happy Easter Season with thoughts and prayers from the pupils and staff.
Miss S Deakin

First Communion Programme.

We have 21 children preparing to receive First Holy Communion on Sunday June 7th. The children are from St Francis Parish and St Thomas' Parish Cloughton. Please remember them in your prayers.

Saturday 11th April – Tulip and Daffodil Saturday.

Caroline and Tom Luke have kindly offered to open their garden to raise parish funds.

We would like donations of homemade cakes and pies and raffle tickets. If you can help .please put your name on the list at the back of church .