

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 Claughton. Please remember them in your prayers.

Longridge Foodbank Collection

We are continuing to collect for Longridge Foodbank .

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

Attendance and Collection

26th Apr Attendance 65 Collection £178.20

3rd May Attendance 69 Collection £377.00

Feast days

Mon – St. John

Tues – St. Dunstan

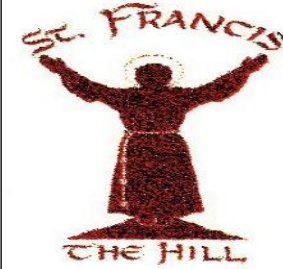
Wed – St. Dunstan

Thurs – St. Bernardine of Siena

Cycle of Prayer - Right Use of Media especially on World Communications Day – 17thMay2026

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

Exciting Job Vacancy in Preston: Chaplaincy Team Member. Metanoia Project provide full time Chaplaincy Services to a local Catholic High School and full time provision for Students and Young Adults in the City Centre in connection with the University of Lancashire. We are looking for an enthusiastic and competent person to assist in providing the most engaging, Christ-centred and fruitful ministry possible in both settings. Accommodation available if required. Full details of salary and benefits are listed in the Application Pack on our website <https://metanoiaproject.co.uk/chaplaincy-team-member/> . **Closing Date Friday 22nd May.** Further information from Ruth White 07878 832457 ruth@metanoiaproject.co.uk



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Parish Safeguarding Representative –Maria Peel

Sunday 17th May 2026

7th SUNDAY OF EASTER Communications Day

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 the people of the parish

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

We remember Katherine Cook whose anniversary occurs around
this time

We welcome into our church family **Jude Edward Baker** who will be
baptised today during mass. May God's light shine on him always

There will be No mass on Tuesday 19th May

Tea and coffee will be served at the back of church after mass

Coming into church

We are asking for a quiet peaceful prayerful atmosphere at the beginning of each mass. There will be spiritual music playing beforehand. We do appreciate your understanding so people can have time for individual prayer before mass.

May Procession

There will be a May procession on Tuesday May 19th where the children will process from school to church for a celebration. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

Tomato plants for sale To help raise funds for the church Dot Eastham will be selling outdoor sweet cherry tomato plants for £1.50 each.

Simple care needed- no pruning –no watering _Contact Dot at church .

Thank you

School News

As half-term approaches, we continue to be very active in school and have a lot to look forward to before we break up for the Summer holidays.

Our Year Six pupils have been very busy with their Year Six Sats in the past week. We are currently planning a treat for all their hard work.

To celebrate Mary's month – the month of May, we are having our annual May Procession next Tuesday 19th May at 2pm. The children will process from school to church to crown Mary. Parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

. This Year, the church is celebrating 800 years since St Francis died. Our pupils are already very familiar with the life of our patron saint - St Francis of Assis.

In this Jubilee Year of St Francis, our aim is to inspire our pupils with the life and values of St Francis, In our assemblies this year so far, we have used stories of his life and slides from Mission Together and CAFOD to find out more about St Francis. They know how he loved animals, nature and peace and helping the poor. They have also studied how when he grew older , he

had experiences and visions from God that changed him completely and he chose to live in poverty trusting God to provide everything.

We have displayed Jubilee banners, posters and children's own artwork to create a visual Franciscan theme around school. We have also created a Jubilee Prayer Space with a statue of St Francis as the focal point, surrounded by natural elements, the Jubilee Prayer and books on Creation and St Francis.

All classes are in the process of creating their own Jubilee Reflection book, recording prayers, actions and learning looking at how they can be Signs of Hope – just like St Francis was when he was on earth. .

They are also busy preparing for a special St Francis immersive Art Exhibition in June which will take place in the school hall. This will show pupils own Jubilee icons, nature drawings and hope-themed work, celebrating key moments in the life of St Francis and the key messages that he wanted to share.

On July 11th and 12th, there will be a Jubilee Thanksgiving weekend in the parish to celebrate the life of our patron saint.

On Saturday July 12th, there will be an exhibition in church on the theme of '*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*'. The church will be decorated around the theme and be open to the public. Work from the children's own Art exhibition will also be on display.

On Sunday July 12th, there will be an Open Air mass in the school grounds to celebrate the Jubilee year of St Francis of Assisi and pets will be invited too.

The exhibition will stay on display over the weekend and people attending the open air mass on the 12th can come into church to look at the displays.

On St Francis' feast day – October 4th – Bishop Paul will be invited to say Sunday mass at Hill chapel where there will be a special School-Parish-Celebration-Family mass.

We will keep you updated on all the activities and celebrations that will be taking place in our last term of the school year.

Sarah Deakin Headteacher.

