

Longridge Foodbank Collection - We are continuing to collect for Longridge Foodbank .

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

Attendance and Collection

14th Jun Attendance 56 Collection £237.00

21st Jun Attendance 71 Collection £356.00 Including Baptism

28th Jun Attendance 66 Collection £225.00

Feast days

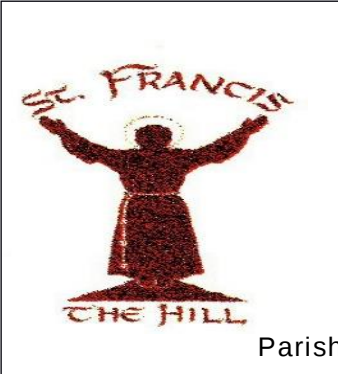
Mon – St. Henry

Tues – St. Camillus of Lellis

Wed – St. Bonaventure

Thurs – Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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

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Sunday 12th July 2026

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer for Seafarers

Open Air 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 **Peter Corbett**

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

We remember Father Joseph Leo Hothersall & Father Micheal Lakeland whose anniversaries occurs around this time

There will be NO masses on Tuesday until further notice.

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

Garden Open Day

A huge thank you to Tom and Caroline Luke for opening up their Garden in April. It was a wonderful day. They raised £1039.00 which will go towards the new outdoor notice board . Thank you to all those who participated in any way.

From the Archives

Why is St Francis Hill Chapel such an important historic church in Goosnargh?

On Monday the 20th of July members of the Whittingham and Goosnargh Heritage Association will be visiting our church for their monthly meeting. I have been asked to give a presentation about the history of the parish and its importance as an historic catholic church and community in Goosnargh. As I am sure you appreciate, our forefathers risked their very lives to practice the faith and to continue celebrating holy mass in secret during strict penal times. The house that is now our presbytery was the birthplace of Blessed George Beesley who was brutally executed simply because he was a catholic priest. Other local catholic families made the same or similar sacrifices when Lancashire was a stronghold of Catholicism.

In planning my talk, I have tried to widen the discussion and explain something of the background which led to the protestant reformation in England and on the continent of Europe. The consequences of such a sudden and rapid change, from the long establish Roman Catholic faith and way of life, to a protestant religion which was very different must have been totally heartbreaking for the catholic families of Lancashire. New laws were quickly brought in to legally oblige everyone to worship at a

protestant church, they were enforced by strict penalties for failure to do so. Despite all these obstacles, Catholicism survived and flourished in

I hope to encourage those who attend the talk to imagine how the local families felt about the situation and how they dealt with these changes at the time.

Was the rise of the protestant religion in England simply due to the fact that King Henry VIII wanted a male heir and hence a divorce from Catherine of Aragan?

- Religion before the English Reformation – Hill Chapel has its roots in the chronology of the Catholic church from Roman Times

The Reformation – what were the causes?

- The impact of the Reformation during Penal times in Goosnargh and district.
- Hill Chapel from the 16th Century to Today

Finally, religion in the 20th and 21st century?

- Refreshments and time to look around the church and grounds