

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

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

Attendance and Collection

9th Aug Attendance 53 Collection £175.00

16th Aug Attendance 66 Collection £146.00

Feast days

Mon – ST. BARTHOLOMEW

Tues – St. Louis

Thurs – St. Monica

Fri – St. Augustine

Sat – The Passion of John the Baptist

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

Mass for Healthcare Workers

All those working in healthcare (doctors, nurses, pharmacists, receptionists, porters, chaplains and many more) are invited to Mass with our bishop on Saturday 17th October at 12.15 in Lancaster Cathedral. The bishop will celebrate a votive Mass of St Luke, the patron saint of doctors, praying for all those in our diocese who work in healthcare and all those they care for. There will be a chance to meet up with other Catholic healthcare workers over a cup of tea in the social centre afterwards.

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Sunday 23rd August 2026

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 **Elizabeth Jones**

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

We remember Bernard Dewhurst & John Henry Phayre 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

So often when we pray – we are asking for God's help. I found this prayer by Michel Quoist celebrating all that our loving Lord gives to us. Michel was a French Catholic priest, theologian and writer. He wrote many thought provoking prayers and here is one of them:

Glory to you My God!

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For the little one learning to walk, who lets go of his mother's hand, falls, gets up and starts the adventure all over again.

For the youngster on the bike, trying to ride without holding the handlebars and trying twenty more times without succeeding.

For the adolescent, worrying over a problem but refusing to ask for help, determined to find the solution alone.

Glory to you my God!

For the athletes who train every day to run faster, jump farther and always higher to break their own records.

For the artists who struggle with stone or wood, colours or sounds to create new works.

For the researchers who study in the shadows, carrying out experiments, striving to unlock the secrets of this world in which we live together.

Glory to you my God!

For the miners who extract ore from the ground.

For the architects and for the armies of brick-layers who build houses, churches and towns.

For the scholars, engineers and technicians, and the multitudes working with intellect and hands,

Slowly exploring the world and bringing order into life.

For all those committed to the struggle for the development of people and peoples, and to the building of a just and peaceful world.

Glory to you my God!

For man and woman slowly coming to be, out of the immensity of time,

Since you called them to think, to love and to participate in their own creation.

Since you gave the universe into their liberated hands to take possession of it,

To develop and transform it..

Glory to you my God!

For this stupendous and marvellous ascent of humankind,

For your joy in our growth,

For your humility,

You who stand back instead of taking our place,

For your patience with our slowness, our mistakes and our failures.

And finally I give Glory to you my God,

Because you created men and women

Free and worthy to meet you,

Capable of knowing you and of loving you.

Because you didn't think it was demeaning

When you yourself became a man in the body of your son Jesus,

Because through him ,

We can call you Father, if we want to,

And one day, we can come to you,

To live in your love and your joy forever.

From the book - Pathways of Prayer