

# St Mary's, Cleator & St Joseph's, Frizington

24th June 2012 : Birthday of St John the Baptist

## MASSES - St Mary's, Cleator

Sat (23rd) 07.00pm: Bill Glasson  
Sun (24th) 10.30am: Joe & Kath Doran  
05.30pm: Mary & John Tallon

Mon (25th) 09.10am: Laura Columbi  
Tue (26th) 09.10am: John McCrink  
Wed (27th) 09.10am: Bernard & Sarah Hillon

St Peter & St Paul 07.00pm: (Vigil) Mark Minto  
Fri (29th) 09.20am: A Sick Person (D.B.)

07.00pm: Bill Campbell  
Sun (1st) 10.30am: Joe Bailey  
05.30pm: People of the Parish



## CONFESSIONS

St Mary's:  
Sat 6.00-7.00pm

St Joseph's:  
Sat 10.30am

## **YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR :**

**Baby Caolan Murphy, Baby Cliodhna Porter, Rita Byrne, Lucy Ryan, Rita Kennedy, Terry Russell, Fr John Hawkins and Fr Peter Dolan, and for all those in the parish who are sick.**

For all those who have died recently, especially **Joe Bailey**, for those in our **Book of Remembrance** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time of year.

## MASSES - St Joseph's, Frizington

Sun (24th) 09.10am: Clare & Graham Ford

On Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday  
there will be a Holy Communion Service at 10am

Thur (28th) 10.00am: Michael O'Flynn

Fri (29th) 10.00am: James McStraw  
St Peter & St Paul

Sat (30th) 10.00am: Frank & Stella Burns

Sun (1st) 09.15am: Cathren Withers

## ST PETER & ST PAUL

Friday is a Holy Day of Obligation, SS Peter & Paul. There will be a retiring collection after all Masses for "Peter's Pence".

St Patrick's School children will be joining us at the 9.20am Mass and St Joseph's School children will be joining us at the 10am Mass.

## SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

During June the litany of the Sacred Heart will be recited every weekday after Morning Mass at St Mary's.

## SAINTS - Helping Us Today

The final meeting, after Mass on **Thursday 28th June - St Therese of Lisieux**. All welcome. A great opportunity for everyone to grow in faith.

## BAPTISMS

The next baptism preparation course will start on **Thursday 5th July** at 6pm in St Mary's Priory.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS

**REMINDER:** the deadline for ordering the First Communion photos is **Sunday 1st July**.

## CARITAS FUND RAISING MORNING

Cakes will be on sale at the back of church after the 10.30am Mass on **Sunday 24th June**. All proceeds will go to the Caritas funds.

## CMS

Many thanks to all who helped with our collection for Cafod at the Co-op store, which came to **£239.38**. A thank you note has been sent to the Co-op store manager.

Recent donations from our outside subscribers will enable us to send £500 to the Cafod Jubilee fund.

## YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will meet on **Sunday 24th June** after the 5.30am Mass.

## Gospel Reflection for the Nativity of John the Baptist

### The Miracle Baby

John was a miracle baby. To everyone's astonishment the new baby was born to the elderly Elizabeth and her husband Zachariah. "What then will this child be?" they all asked, "For the hand of the Lord was with him." It was obvious that God had plans for this baby. It would seem John was destined for greatness.

We all have high hopes for our children. Most of us give our children the right opportunities then hope for the best. Some of us are inclined to push a little harder, enrolling children for every extra curricular activity and investing in places at the best schools and the best universities in the hope of top notch careers. It is only human to want what is best for our children. It is only human to hope they will make us proud. Would we be proud if our children choose to dress and went off to preach in the desert and feed on locusts. Probably not! Yet John the Baptist is probably one of the greatest figures in the history of Christianity. John was focused on what was most important, and that wasn't money or prestige. John dedicated his life to pointing the world in the direction of Jesus.

John is a reminder to us all that greatness doesn't come from education, breeding, position, wealth or event talent. John's place in history is etched for all to celebrate from one age to the next, and it comes simply from speaking the truth consistently and courageously.

Greatness is not determined by the world. Greatness lies in recognising the gifts God has given us, and living by them.



### The Caritas Foodbank Appeal

#### *Feeding Local People in Crisis*

The Caritas Group are organising a collection of food for the North Lakes Foodbank. Please donate what food you can in support of this appeal.



There are two distribution centres - the Methodist Church, Lorton Street, Cockermouth and the New Life Church, Irish Street, Whitehaven.

**The foodbank are currently feeding over 240 people in crisis a month, that's over 1.5 tonnes a month of food. They fed 1800 people last year and increased their output by 400%.**

**They urgently need - Fruit Juice UHT, UHT Milk (not skimmed), Cereal (not large boxes please), Pasta and Tinned Meat -** for more items please see the poster at the back of church.

**At the present time they have sufficient of Tuna, Vegetables, Tea, Soup and Biscuits.**

**Please give what you can to help those in need. A box is at the back of church to place your donations in. Thank you for your continued support.**

**The appeal ends on Sunday 8th July.**