



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF FLEETWOOD
ST MARY'S
ST WULSTAN AND ST EDMUND'S



8th March 2026 – Third Sunday of Lent

EXTRA SERVICES FOR LENT:

This week we begin our Lenten journey in preparation for Easter. During Lent we will have some extra services to help us on the journey. These will alternate between both St Wulstan's and St Mary's. Please see the Schedule on the back page of the newsletter for times and details.

We will have;

- Sunday at 4pm there will be a Holy Hour and Vespers (Evening prayer of the Church).
- Alternating between both churches. See weekly schedule (Back page)
- Thursdays at 12:30pm each week there will be Stations of the Cross at St Marys Church, led by St Mary's school children.
- Fridays at 6pm each week we will have Stations of the Cross at St Wulstan's Church.

POPES PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY:

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR:

This week we are praying for St David's Parish and the people of Alder Court, Charterhouse Court, Galloway Road, Lamour Place, Millom Close, Rydal Avenue and West Gate with the prayer:

May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.

Laetare Sunday: Next Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, marks the midpoint of the Lenten season. It provides a moment of joy and encouragement amid the penitential period as we prepare for Easter. The name "Laetare" comes from the Latin word meaning "rejoice," which is drawn from the Entrance Antiphon of the Mass

Potential scam alert! We have received reports of potential scammers knocking on doors in Fleetwood and asking residents about issues with their internet. The companies mentioned by these people have been made aware, but we remind you to be extra vigilant before giving people your details as they might not be authentic. If people are genuine and from a company, they will have ID badges, and they should give you their ID number on request so you can call the company there and then to double check.

A Week of Retreat and a School of Prayer.

If you feel you need help with prayer, you are in good company; so did the first disciples. During this week in mid-lent we will introduce a variety of ways of praying each evening.

As a parish we will be joining these online sessions on 2 days during this week at

- **St Wulstan Presbytery on Wednesday 11th March 7:15 - 8:30pm.**
- **St Marys Millennium Room on Friday 13th March 7:15 – 8:30pm.**

You are most welcome to join us for either or both of these sessions, and of course you can also register to do these sessions at home.

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ST MARY'S NOTICES



St. Mary's Church will be open from 09:30 to 1pm on weekdays, apart from Wednesday when the church will close after the morning Mass

Previous Mass attendance: Sunday 1st March - 115

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries are about this time:

Fr. John Armour, Bob Garrett, Thomas Bamber, Jim Richardson, Eric Hammond, Berthe Drury, Joseph Stamp, Steven Nolan, Thomas Byrne, Maureen Kempster, June Clark, Sonny Smith, Richard Rigby, Roy Kennedy, Fr. A. Howe, Eddie Twiggs, Thomas O'Hagan

MOVIE NIGHT

By popular demand, we will watch LOVE AND MERCY – powerful docudrama portraying the life of St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy.
When: Wednesday 21st March at 6.00pm
Where: St. Mary's Millennium Room. Please message Ania on 07858496951 to book a place. We will also have a list at the back of the church.

Please come along and support our School as the young people lead us in the Stations of the Cross on Thursdays at 12:30pm.
Each week is a moving experience as the Children relate the stations to ways we can take up our Crosses and follow the Lord.
A great witness and way to prepare ourselves as a parish for the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Wednesday 13th May

Council Members: Fr. Stephen Talbutt, Peter Connor, Anne Duxbury, Judith Halloran, Lindsay Newton, Steve Price and Sammy Ranasinghe

Do you have any ideas / thoughts you wish to raise with the Council?

Minutes are displayed at the back of church above the safe

Fleetwood Churches Together Lent Lunches

The charity for this year's fundraising is Tear Fund

13th March – St. Peter's with St. David's, 11:45 to 1:15pm

20th March – St. Nicholas with St. Wulstan's,
27th March – URC with Trinity Baptists

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish, Charlie Andrews, Audrey Armour, Zephan Barretto, Vera Berry, Catalina Carredu, Greta Carus, Janice Chadwick, Patsy Coll, Kathryn Dale, Bert Dallas, Marianne Delaney, Sarah Finley, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Christina Jones, Liam Edward Lenihan, Alison Lyons, Fr. Michael Murphy, Michael O'Sullivan, Irene Rankine, Mary Schon, Peter Scott, Scott and Dale Families, Marie Slater, Mark Surelock, Jacqueline Wilding, Frank Ward, David Wilkinson, Fred & Mary Wylie, Nan Lusia

Sunday 15th March

Reader: 11.00am Mass: Linda
Eucharistic Ministers: Judith and Julia
Children's Liturgy: NONE

Sunday 1st March 2026
Collection: £340.35
Candles: £52.88
Church Flowers: £15.53
St Anthony: £5.27
Restoration Fund: £38.03
World Needy: £14.57

EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS

Are going on sale from this Sunday (8th). These will be available from the back of church for 3 Sundays only. The draw will take place and prizes available on Palm Sunday. A sincere thank you for your support

On **Sunday 29th March** the refreshments after Mass will be served by pupils from Cardinal Allen High School. Monies raised will be towards travel expenses for the pupils travelling to Lourdes.

EASTER FLOWER APPEAL:

Would you like to donate money for Easter Flowers in memory of an individual, alive or dead? All the names will be displayed on the noticeboard at Easter. Envelopes for donations and the individual's name are available at the back of church. Please return completed envelopes to Judith, Anne or a steward at the back of church. Thank you

Missio – Red Box Missions. These will be collected during March, please give to a steward at the back of church. Thank you



ST WULSTAN & ST EDMUND NOTICES



*St. Wulstan's Church Lady Chapel will be open from 8.30am to 4pm on weekdays.
(Access from the side of the church)*

Previous Mass attendance 9 am - 1st March : Mass 153 Website :86

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

James Richardson, Patricia Wilkinson,
Ann Theresa Wood, Winifred Gibbons, Rose McKenna,
Allen Miller, Fr John Slater, Mary Carr,
Fr Larry Wells, Irene Ellarby, Mollie Robinson,
John Quinn, Charles Monaghan

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

Harry Cook 10th March 2013
Lilly Cook 10th March 2013
Evie-Lea Nolan 11th March 2018

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish (and those who care for them) :

Josie Atkinson, Pat Boe, Rose Conway, Tom Cumpsty, Rita Davies, Patrick Dempsey, Mary Doyle, Pam Fildes, Veronica Greer, Gino Guatelli, Ken Hodson, Peggy Lawson, Harry Lister, Anna Lupton, Joan Mitchell, Dianne & Michael McCann, Jean Morgan, Sally Newbold, Claire Preston, Ethna & Michael Quinn, Carmel Roche, Jean Rolph, Sheila Russell, Vera Scott, Eunice Shaw, Norma Snasdell, Anne Statham, Clare Thomas, Pauline Stephenson, David Thompson, Sheila Walsh, Kathleen White, Norah White, Brenda Wilmot, Eileen & Alan Wright

Weekly Collection

1st March - £439.00

BONUS BALL WINNERS

Bonus ball winner for 28 February was Keith Earnshaw with number 23

SUBS DUE! Those who pay half yearly that their second £25 is due in March. Also, we have several free numbers so if anyone else would like to join please see Anne Holland or any member of Finance team. £25 if your number comes up!

PRIZE BINGO EVENING

A big thank you to all for their generosity and support which made the evening a great success. The winning ticket for the whisky no. 156 along with the runner up ticket no. 278 are both yet to be claimed. I believe the winning tickets were purchased in the Green Hut after mass on 8th February, please see Steve Wade to claim your prize.

HELPING HEARTS: Patricia Benson is collecting sleeping bags, toiletries, coats for the charity Helping Hearts who support families, and the homeless in Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre. If anyone can kindly donate, please contact her at St Wulstan's.

CHURCH CLEANING. Church Cleaning for March will be postponed till Monday, March 30th at 9.30am, (enter by the choir door.) Please come to ensure the Church is clean for EASTER, our most important feast. All help is so welcome. Thank you.

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR EASTER

Putting out the flowers, clean altar cloths , Easter candles and decorating the windowsills in both the main Church and the Lady Chapel has to be done on Saturday, 4th April, from 9.30am for the Easter Vigil in the Evening. Please come and help if you can. Thank you.



OUR NEXT PARISH PILGRIMAGE SEPTEMBER 21-26: Over a number of years our parishioners have been going on pilgrimage together, and this year is no exception. In the early days we went to Valladolid in Spain, staying at Country House. Since then, we've been to the Holy Land, Krakow, Rome and Assisi, and the footsteps of St Paul in Greece. We had intended to follow his other footsteps in Turkey this year, But it proved a bit too expensive. So, we've chosen to go back to Spain on a 6 day trip. We'll stay in Valladolid and take in visits to the walled city of Avila, the fairy tale city of Segovia and the university town of Salamanca.

One of the attractions is that both flights are during the day, not at horrible o'clock in the morning. Cost is £950.00 sharing or £1175.00 single.

Please let Fr Alf know if you'd like a booking form and itinerary.



**3RD WEEK OF LENT
8TH MARCH**



Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Location		Intention/Details
Sun 8 th March	9:00am	St Wulstan's	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT.	People of both parishes
	11:00am	St Mary's		Marjorie and Jim Richardson RIP
Mon 9 th March	No Mass			
Tues 10 th March	7:00pm	St Mary's		Sheila Conway RIP
Wed 11 th March	10:00am	St Mary's		Les and Teresa Morris RIP
Thurs 12 th March	6:00pm	St Wulstan's		
Fri 13 th March	9:30am	St Wulstan's		Paul Buschini
Sat 14 th March	10:00am	St Mary's		Betty Wade RIP
Sun 15 th March	9:00am	St Wulstan's	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT. (Laetare Sunday)	People of both parishes
	11:00am	St Mary's		Marjorie and Jim Richardson RIP

Service Schedule

- **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Saturday 14th March 10:30 – 11:30am at St Mary's Church with Confessions after Mass.

Service Schedule

- **HOLY HOUR AND VESPERS:** Sunday 8th March 4pm at St Wulstan's Church.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Thursday 12th March 12:30pm at St Mary's Church. Led by St Mary's school.
- **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Friday 13th March 6pm at St Wulstan's Church.
- **HOLY HOUR AND VESPERS:** Sunday 15th March 4pm at St Mary's Church.