

A Note from the Hospital Chaplain: Regardless of the Coronavirus, Blackpool Victoria remains an acute hospital, but with very stringent guidelines on visiting. The same for the Hospice. At the moment the Hospital and Hospice Chaplains are able to visit within certain restrictions, so if you have people there whom you would like the Catholic Chaplain to visit you can call him at St Kentigern's on 01253 393439. The Hospital Chaplaincy Office number is 01253 953876 or you can email bfwhospitals@nhs.net. In urgent cases ring the switchboard 01253 300000 and ask for the on-call Catholic Chaplain.

Summary of other Liturgical advice from the Bishops' Conference:

Baptisms will be deferred until such time that public health advice is that congregations can gather safely, except in necessity.

Confession may be offered on request as long as social distancing requirements are observed. *First Confessions and Holy Communion* will be deferred until public health advice is that congregations can resume public worship. Ditto with *Confirmation*.

Matrimony should be deferred until such time that people can gather in numbers safely.

Anointing of the sick: No pastoral visits should be made to people who are self-isolating until the isolation period ends. Phone support will be offered. When anointing the sick, the priest will use a cotton bud dipped in the sacramental oil, which will be burned afterwards.

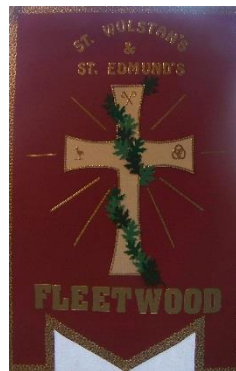
Funerals: The funeral service should take place at the graveside or at the crematorium. Arrangements should be made for a Requiem Mass to be celebrated in memoriam when congregations are allowed to gather. A "Lay-led Catholic Funeral Service" has been provided by our Diocese, to be used in the absence of a Priest or Deacon.

Guardian Angels: A number of kind people have got in touch to offer to do shopping for elderly, housebound or self-isolating parishioners. Please let Maria (mariadohertyfy7@gmail.com) or Steve Doherty (stevedohertyfy7@gmail.com) know if you'd like to take advantage of their offer or if you are able to offer help in this way.

Daily & Sunday Mass Readings: These are available on many internet sites. There is a link to one site on the home page of the parish website – <https://www.sswulstanandedmund-fleetwood.org.uk/>

At a loose end? Like to do some gardening?

We would like to develop the presbytery garden into a vegetable garden. At present it need a good 'sort out' and then, eventually, some planting. Clearly, in line with government guidelines, only two people could be in the garden at the same time observing social distancing. If you would like to do this, please contact Patrick Dempsey 01253771497 and he will 'book you a slot'. Tools are provided.



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Palm Sunday Year A 5/4/20

Sunday 5 th	People of the Parish
Monday 6 th	No Mass
Tuesday 7 th	Patricia Wright (Lately Dead)
Wednesday 8 th	Ann Verity (Seriously ill) 1800 (On Parish website) A Meditation for Holy Week
Thursday 9 th	MAUNDY THURSDAY 1900 (On Parish website) Mass of the Last Supper Anthony Buschini (Anniversary)
Friday 10 th	GOOD FRIDAY 1100 (On Parish website) Stations of the Cross 1500 (On Parish website) The Passion of the Christ
Saturday 11 th	No Easter Vigil
Sunday 12 th	EASTER SUNDAY 1000 (On Parish website) Mass of the Resurrection People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: See Liturgical advice in this bulletin

Both our churches are closed until further notice

Collection: £130.00
(Website) : Mass views 370

Thankyou.



Please pray for: All the sick and housebound of our parish family and also those in care or in hospital

Anniversaries this Week: Laurie Bethell, Norah Bates, Eileen David, Canon Alban Cochrane, Anthony Buschini.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Leon Robert Hindle 7th April 2013
Charlotte Olivia Bowker 10th April 2016
Victoria Grace Bowker 10th April 2016
Oliver John Coles 11th April 2010

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for St Peter's Church and the people of Anchorage Road, Cartmel Avenue, Falmouth Avenue, Jameson Road, Maritime Street, Promenade Road, Tarn Court with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Holy Week: Normally, at this time of the year, we are gearing up for the most important week in the Church's calendar. Well, it still is the most important week in the Church's calendar, but there's no way we can celebrate it, in the time-honoured way, by our physical presence. However, I am working on celebrating a scaled down version of the main liturgies which, thanks to the wonders of technology and Maria's camera skills, you will be able to follow on the parish website. The timings of when they are available are on the front page of the bulletin. I will also do a meditation on Wednesday to prepare for the Triduum.

The Chrism Mass: A simple celebration of the Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at the Cathedral on Maundy Thursday at 1100 behind closed doors. The blessed oils and consecrated Chrism, used for the administration of the sacraments throughout the year, will be distributed at a time and date when restrictions are eventually lifted. Priests are asked to make a personal renewal of their priestly promises between 1100-1130, which is the time we would normally renew them during the Mass of Chrism.

Good Friday: In the universal prayers, the Bishops will arrange for a special intention for those who find themselves in distress, for the sick and for those who have died from the coronavirus.

Easter Duties: The Bishops have dispensed us from our Easter Duties, which many of the Faithful will know, oblige us to receive Holy Communion at least once a year, and that at Easter or thereabouts, preceded by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation beforehand. The Bishops have asked that all should make a Perfect Act of Contrition at this time.

Bonus Ball: Winner for 21st March was Cathy Wilson with No 41. Winners for 28th March were Johnny Johnson and Angela Bowker with No 11.

The Collection: We have had more enquiries this week about how get the collection to us. As we said last week, envelopes can be given in at the Presbytery, but Sue Warburton, who is the parish bookkeeper, has suggested that some people might like to send their offertory by Bank Transfer. The Parish Account is with HSBC: Sort Code 40 27 02, Acct No 61334875. If you are a Gift Aider use your name and envelope number as the Reference - for example 100Hayes. If you are not a Gift Aider just give your name as the Reference. Thank you.

Our Parish Prayer Group Now On Line: A note from Catherine Anderton.

We have set up an on-line prayer group, and up to 100 can join. People need to download the ZOOM APP and then join our group. The ID number for joining is 882-174-7392 and we will be meeting at 10.00 on Saturdays. We started with 6 people this morning (Kim, Jackie, Aimee-Beth, Grace, Sarah and me) and prayed the Rosary. Thought you could put it on bulletin as we'd love others to join us. It's also a way of checking in on each other. (Great idea Cathy - Fr Alf).

REPEATS

Keeping in Touch: A few notes from Maria about Social Media:

- Please keep in touch by looking at the parish website where items will be uploaded as often and as quickly as possible. There is a link to a site for daily Mass readings, Mass recordings and children's liturgy. All feast days are on the calendar and you can read this week's bulletin as well as the ones from recent weeks. All letters and communications sent by email will also be published there.
- Follow Twitter <https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund> where items of news can be often accessed more readily and where there are links to the website
- Please let us know the email address of any family or friends who would like to receive the newsletter and other communications. If they do have the internet you could relay what's happening over the phone.
- Sunday Mass from the Lady Chapel is available to view on youtube (search wulstanedmund) from 1000 on Sunday mornings.

Telephone Befriending Service: Lancashire Volunteer Partnership have started a telephone befriending service for anyone needing support during this time. They can also signpost people on who identify as needing extra help with their shopping etc. Please use the link below if someone needs referring or they can call between 8am and 4pm.

<https://lancsvp.org.uk/referrals-3/community-support-referral-form/>

For those in need of Food: Last Friday our parish Foodbank came together with Mustard Seed, West View and a few other organisations to form Fleetwood Together. In no time at all we have established a central distribution Hub and are getting food to those most in need on a daily basis. If you know of anyone in dire need, they must ring our dedicated number at Rossall School switchboard, which is 01253 774313. No food will be given out at the Distribution Hub, because of social distancing rules. Food will be delivered to the address of the person in need, but only if they ring the above number.

If you are still able to donate food, tins etc, you can let Father Alf know and we will arrange to pick it up. I or someone will phone you at the appointed time and you can leave the donation on your step to avoid coming into contact, or you can ring me and leave the donation on the presbytery step. Thank you. ASDA and Aldi are still donating to us.