

Domestic Violence: As you may be aware, incidents of domestic violence have soared during the enforced period of lock-down. If you know of anyone suffering from it the National Hotline is 0808 2000 247. To report an incident to the Police call 101 or in an emergency 999.

Catholic Voice: This month's is a smaller edition of 12 pages and it's the first time in nearly 29 years that we have not produced a Paper version. Please go to the following link.
http://www.diocese.cc/FileSystem/11/Private/Advertising/Proofs/LancasterMay2020_Final.pdf

Postscript from Brian Wood: We pray constantly for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Some men, young and not so young, put themselves forward for ordination and start a long journey which will, at times, be demanding but also rewarding. Dear Jesus, prompt many more to come forward, and let them know that it is you who are doing the prompting.

REPEATS

Keeping in Touch:

- > Items of interest are being uploaded onto the website regularly.
- > Follow **Twitter** <https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund>
- > Sunday Mass and other service during Holy Week are permanently available on YouTube so you can catch up if you have missed anything. https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCC7j7Klb6kmytR_mCTPC7IA
- > **Parish Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/st.wulstansfleetwood>
- > **Parish Instagram:** St Wulstan & St Edmund Fleetwood

Foodbank Volunteers: In order to be ready for the morning deliveries, we need more volunteers *in the afternoons* to unload, restock, split bulk goods (rice, coffee, tea, etc) into bags to match the different numbers of 'clients', to clean the fridges and generally tidy up ready for the next day. If you can spare a couple of hours in the afternoon email: fleetwoodtogethervolunteers@gmail.com (or let Father Alf know).

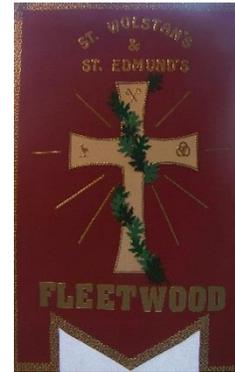
A Note from the Hospital Chaplain: If you have people there whom you would like the Catholic Chaplain to visit you can call him at St Kentigern's on 01253 393439. The Hospital Chaplaincy Office number is 01253 953876 or you can email bfwhospitals@nhs.net. In urgent cases ring the switchboard 01253 300000 and ask for the on-call Catholic Chaplain.

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/>

The Collection: If you would like to send your offertory by Bank Transfer, the Parish Account is with HSBC: Sort Code 40 27 02, Acct No 61334875. The name of the Account is LRC DTR CH No 234331 St Wulstan and St Edmund of Canterbury Fleetwood. 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.

Mass for the Sick, their Families, NHS Front-Line and Social Care workers:

In order to show spiritual solidarity with all the above, a Catholic Bishop will celebrate Mass in his Cathedral which will be live-streamed for people to join. This will take place every Thursday at 7.00pm:-
30th April Bishop Richard Moth - Arundel Cathedral
7th May Bishop Marcus Stock - Leeds Cathedral
14th May Bishop Robert Byrne CO Newcastle Cathedral
21st May Bishop Mark Davies - Shrewsbury Cathedral
28th May Bishop Terence Drainey - Middlesbrough Cathedral
See the Bishops' Conference Webpage (cbcew.org.uk) for the live-streaming of these Masses.



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4th Sunday of Easter Year A 3/5/20

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| Sunday 3 rd | 1000 (On Parish website) Cynthia and Peter O'Connor (Anniversaries) |
| Monday 4 th | No Mass |
| Tuesday 5 th | The English Martyrs Thanksgiving for safe delivery of Baby Imelda |
| Wednesday 6 th | Ruth Pirie (RIP) |
| Thursday 7 th | Margaret Guatelli (RIP) |
| Friday 8 th | Theresa Campy (RIP) |
| Saturday 9 th | Deceased Butler and Williams Families |
| Sunday 10 th | People of the Parish |

CONFESSIONS: On request - providing social distancing is observed

Both our churches are closed until further notice

Collection:

£437.00
£135.00 Easter Offerings

Attendance (Website)

282

Thankyou.



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

Anniversaries this Week: Joseph Moyle, Rose Eastham, Thomas Beale, Michael Gowlin, Gerard McKenna, James Campbell, Margaret Harding, Emily Holyhead, Jack Plumb.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Katie Mai Tebay 4th May 2014
Logan Andrew Dobby 7th May 2017

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for Emmanuel Church, and the people of Armistead Way, Charterhouse Court, Fisherman's Wharf, Keating Court, Meadow Avenue, Radcliffe Road, Teviot Avenue with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winning number for 25th April was 36. No-one has that number.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as 'Good Shepherd' Sunday, as the gospel is always about some aspect of Jesus as the perfect example of how a shepherd should look after the flock entrusted to him. Traditionally, it is the day when we pray specifically for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious Life. Of course, priesthood is only one of the many vocations a follower of Jesus may be called to, but it is a very important one, and much needed at this present time when there is such a shortage.

A Note from the Diocesan Finance Office: "Some parishioners may want to support their parish by continuing to give their offertory, even though they can't physically attend the church. The easiest way for parishioners to donate to their parish is by standing order. I have attached a blank standing order mandate that you can populate with your parish bank account name and account number and promote via your parish newsletters and websites". (A number of our parishioners are already using bank transfers, but for those who might like to use an SO, there is a form on the Parish website).

More News from Healthier Fleetwood: [The Fylde Scrub Hub](#) is a group of volunteer sewers making gowns for the NHS and, with the help of [PNG Digital](#) who supplied patterns, these are now being used by front-line staff. At [Rossall School](#) they've been using their technology to make visors for NHS staff although they could do with more materials, please contact them if you can help.

If you have a garden to enjoy during the lock-down, Take Your Pick, on Lord Street, has bedding plants available. Contact them through Facebook, or on 01253 770829 to find out more, and how to safely collect your plants.

A Parishioner's Concern: One of our parishioners who has been feeling concerned about the lifting of the restrictions and the risks involved, was so reassured by a tweet from Pope Francis, that she would like to share it..."At this time, as indications emerge for a way out of quarantine, we pray that the Lord will grant us the grace of prudence, and obedience to these indications, so that the pandemic does not return". #PrayTogether

OpenLearn: Sharon Jones has sent us a note about FREE learning from the Open University. If you type in 'Openlearn' it will take you to the correct bit of the OU website. There's literally hundreds of free courses. Might be just the thing for these long days of self-isolating!

Skills Training during Lock-down: Sharon has also sent us information that during the Coronavirus crisis the Government is offering free skills training for Furloughed workers. Details are on the Government website. Use this link - theskilltoolkit.campaign.gov.uk

Gift Aid : A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify us if you are no longer a tax payer or you paid insufficient tax during 2019/20 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year, at the present standard rate of tax of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1 donated. If you have moved house during the tax year, or changed your name, it is important that you let us know. Thank you so much for your current donations to the parish. If you are tax payer and are not yet registered for gift aid, please consider doing so, as you will increase your donation by 25% at **no cost to yourself!** More information and Gift Aid declaration forms are available to download on the parish website / Parish Life / Support out Parish. (M Doherty ~ Gift Aid organiser)

Useful websites and phone numbers

[NHS 111 coronavirus](#) or call 111 if you are concerned about your condition
- do not visit a GP surgery, pharmacy or A&E department if you have symptoms.

[Fleetwood Together](#) or telephone 01253 774313

Co-ordinating the Town's response, supporting local residents in urgent need of help with food or other essential items.

[Wyre Together](#) or telephone 01253 891000

Support for those on the NHS shielded list, those with no support from family, neighbours or carers. Signposting to groups and services.

[Lancashire Volunteer Partnership](#) or telephone 01772 416417

Providing befrienders who can call individuals on a regular basis for a chat and to make sure they are OK. Volunteers welcome.

'Children's Challenge'

Our new challenge is '**Saints, Saints and more Saints**' ~ something for everyone this week ~ from the very youngest to the more mature parishioner.

For more details, Please see our parish website.

We had a wonderful response to last week's challenge with some fabulous pictures, paintings and models. Fr Alf was amazed by them **all** and so we have decided that they will all take their place on the welcome page of the website in turn! The first one, chosen at random, is shown here. Images of all the children's work can be seen on the children's page of the website. Please do look at the work of our talented children!



Parish on-line Prayer Group: This is the code for Saturday's Zoom meeting which begins at 1000: 882 174 7392 Password 041728 All are welcome to join.

Empty Containers: There has been an appeal from the Foodbank for containers with lids, in which to decant washing powder, which we receive in bulk, but which needs to be shared out among many people. If you have any, you can drop them at the presbytery, Thank you.

Repository ~ Cards etc : There have been several requests for cards and other items during the last few weeks and they have been delivered as requested. If you need any cards ie Mass cards or birthday cards, please contact Maria (07732278730) and she will deliver them to you.