<u>A Generous Offer:</u> In view of the fact that a young person may be interested in attending 'ENGAGE // Online Youth Ministry Course' but not able to afford it, one of our parishioners, who says it sounds like a fantastic opportunity, has very kindly offered to sponsor him or her anonymously, by paying the £48. If someone would like to do the course, let Fr Alf know. The second run of the ENGAGE course starts on March 16th. The course is aimed at people starting out in Youth Ministry or people who've been around a while and want to learn a little more. Earlybird price £48 until February 10th. www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/engage'

<u>Lenten talks: What would Pope Francis do?</u> To mark the eighth anniversary of Pope Francis' election, the Edinburgh Jesuit Centre will be hosting a series of talks each Tuesday in Lent, by prominent Catholic voices exploring the teaching of Pope Francis. Tuesday 2 March 7.30pm: Sr Imelda Poole MBE on Refugees and Migration Tuesday 9 March 7.30pm: James Martin SJ on LGBTQ+ Ministry Tuesday 16 March 7.30pm: Christopher Lamb on Church Hierarchy Tuesday 23 March 7.30pm: Dr Lorna Gold on Pope Francis on the Environment Tuesday 30 March 7.30pm: Gemma Simmonds CJ on Women in the Church. Zoom Login Information:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2365092814 or Meeting ID: 236 509 2814 . Talks will also be streaming to Facebook Live. View by typing Edinburgh Jesuit Centre into Facebook. For more information contact edinburgh jesuitcentre@iesuit.org.uk

Ecumenical Lenten Course in Lockdown: Our friends at St Nicholas are inviting us to join them in their Lent studies which will take place via Zoom at 7 pm on Wednesdays commencing 24th February. The title of the five, one hour studies is 'Looking Out in Lent' and will use St Mark's Gospel, and the five marks of mission, to explore ways of being a more outward-looking church, as we start to move out of the pandemic. The format will be opening worship, followed by a 15 minute talk. Break out groups will then encourage reflection and discussion on the topic after which we'll come back together for a round up and closing prayers. Please do prayerfully consider taking on this discipline in Lent. Joining details are:-

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86156639384?pwd=WHdZaHBhY1p6ZGIMakNDdXhCNFISQT09

Meeting ID: 861 5663 9384

Passcode: 794046

Donna Worthington's Retreats for Lent:

THE ARAMAIC LORD'S PRAYER: A morning soaking in Jesus' profound and beautiful prayer in its original language. Saturday 6th March 0930 – 1230

A ROAD INTO THE WILDERNESS: Sat 13th March or Monday 15th March 0930 -1230

All Retreats £20, unless otherwise stated. For bookings, please see website or contact Donna Worthington: $\frac{drworthington@live.co.uk}{drworthington}$.





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3rd Sunday of Lent Year B 7/3/21

Sunday 7th 1000 Peter Bird (Anniversary)

(Will also be on Parish Website at same time)

Monday 8th No Mass

Tuesday 9th 1800 Teresa Campy (RIP)
Wednesday 10th 0930 Christine Quinn (LD)
Thursday 11th 1800 Oliver Duffy (Surgery)

Friday 12th 0930 Betty Josephine Smith (Anniversary) Saturday 13th 0930 Frank and Mary Waring (Anniversary)

Sunday 14th 1000 People of the Parish

(Will also be on Parish Website at same time)

CONFESSIONS: On request - providing social distancing is observed

St Edmund's church is closed until further notice. St Wulstan's will be open from 30 minutes before the start of each Mass.

<u>Collection</u> <u>Attendance</u>

28th Feb £326.00 Sunday - 65 Weekdays (total) - 71 Website - 149 Households

Thankyou.

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> Instagram: St Wulstan & St Edmund

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

<u>Anniversaries this Week</u>: Pat Caulfield, Peter Bird, Michael Johnson, Frank McCann, Doreen Higgins, Dora Geraghty, Patricia Wilkinson, Winifred Gibbons, Rose McKenna, Allen Miller, Mary Carr.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Cassidy Rose Lane 7th March 2010 Harry and Lily Cook 10th March 2013 Evie-Lea Nolan 11th March 2018

<u>Churches Together Prayer Calendar:</u> This week we are praying for St Nicholas Church and the people of Alder Court, Byron Street, Ettrick Avenue, Homestead Way, Manor Wood, Poulton Grove and Stavely Grove with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes*.

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winner for 27th February was Margaret Yeo with No 20.

<u>Foodbank Donations</u>: We are getting some extremely generous donations, many of them anonymously, on a fairly regular basis, to help us with our work for the poor. For obvious reasons we can't thank the donors personally, but a huge thank you to whoever you are. For those who are tax payers and don't mind giving their name, we are looking at the possibility of getting some Gift Aid labels made, which will allow 25% more to be added to the donation.

<u>A gift of comfort from our fellow Christians in Fleetwood:</u> For those who need a little comfort in these trying times, we would like to offer you the gift of a prayer shawl, knitted with love by a member of Fleetwood Methodist Church. Our prayer is that it brings comfort and the presence of God wrapping his arms of love around you. These shawls have been blessed by Rev Ruth Simpson and are Covid secure. If you would like one please contact Judith Wood on 872801.

Free parking for patient/visitor blue badge holders: With effect from Monday, March 1, parking will be free for Blue Badge Holders parking in designated bays at Victoria Hospital. The system in the main entrance car park has been upgraded so that blue badge holders will not be required to exchange their token at the car parking office, but will scan their blue badge at the pay station prior to leaving the car park, which will then validate their token for free parking. Patients/Visitors parking on the external car parks will also receive free parking when parked in a designated disabled parking space and their blue badge is clearly displayed.

Scripture with Martin Bennett: Martin, who has given us a few talks in the past, has started a weekly scripture group (Wednesdays at 7:00 pm) to which all are invited. I've attached a PDF of the extended discussion we had on the Temptations of Jesus in the desert, with an audio link (18mins). We have room for more in the group if anyone wants to 'come and see'. As a sample, thoughts on Matthew's account of Jesus in the desert is attached as a PDF, or as an audio via this link, (approx 18min talk): https://www.mixcloud.com/talks_and_reflections/jesus-uncovers-the-temptations-in-the-desert/ For more info email Martin: martben1@btinternet.com

National Novena to St Joseph: will take place from 10th- 18th March 2021 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. In this Year dedicated to St. Joseph, the Mill Hill Missionaries are preparing for his Feast Day with a Novena of Masses and prayers to ask God's blessing on the Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all who support their work. If you would like to join in from home, Masses from St. Joseph's Church will be on Zoom and YouTube via the Mill Hill website: www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena, where you will also find the Novena prayer leaflet, and via the parish website: stjosephsparish.co.uk.

The National Census: Wyre Borough have sent us a message to remind everybody that the National census is taking place in March 2021. It's a survey that happens every 10 years and gives us a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales. It helps plan and fund public services, like transport, education and healthcare. By taking part and encouraging others to do the same, you'll help make sure you and your community get the services you need. Nearer the time, you'll receive more information. There'll be plenty of help to take part for people who need it. Find out more at www.census.gov.uk Follow the census @Census2021

Future Employability Programme: Fleetwood Town Community Trust and their partners are offering a course which gives a range of support for adults aged 16-65, including access to training, further education, voluntary work and more. You will also receive advice on health and wellbeing, and life-skills helping to you to gain self-confidence. Initially the course will be on-line, but it is hoped to move to classroom based activity as lockdown eases. For further information and to get involved, contact Joh Hartley 07892 718186 or john.hartley@fleetwoodtownfc.com

From The Catholic Universe /Times: To our Readers in the Parish:- at the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or ring 0161 820 5722. Special offer 3 months £25.00 12 months £99.00 Digital copy 12 months £55.00 Digital and hard copy for:- £115.00 (Easter special offer)

<u>PS from Brian Wood:</u> The crocuses are here! The golden ones come first and give a real lift to the spirits being, as they are, a real herald of Spring. It is so easy to be driven downwards by the Winter's lack of sunshine. The gradual increase in daylight, coupled with the new crowd of crocuses, encourages us to start to relax. Dear Jesus, we thank you for our seasons and we look forward to warm and light days ahead.

REPEATS

Faith and Justice: Lancaster Diocese is looking for a part-time Faith and Justice worker and co-ordinator with the Commission Team to work throughout the Diocese to engage with parishes, schools and other institutions in order to advance the understanding of, and active engagement in Catholic Social Teaching and issues arising from it. Further details can be obtained from Margaret McSherry, Administrator Lancaster Diocesan Faith & Justice Commission at: Email: lfjcmm@gmail.com Tel:07864012385 or downloaded from http://www.lancasterfaithandjustice.co.uk/newsletter/Job%20Description%20and%20Person%20Specification%20FJ%20February%202021.docx