

REPEAT NOTICES

New ways of preparing for Baptism: Starting on September 4th, we will be introducing a new course for parents and godparents seeking baptism. It will take place over two Saturdays, and there will be four sessions a year - September, December, March and June, The course will be compulsory, and is designed to help young parents to fully understand what they are undertaking. Dates for baptism will not be arranged till after the course. Candidates can book to attend any of the courses at a time convenient to them, including during their pregnancy. The course will be run by some of our young parents and will include refreshments.

Foodbank Donations: If you would like to Gift Aid your donation to our Foodbank, now known as 'Faith in the Community', a form is available at the back of church, or from Fr Alf.

Global Warming: How can I cut my own emissions? CAFOD have sent us quite a bit of information for our consideration in the lead up to the COP26 taking place in November.

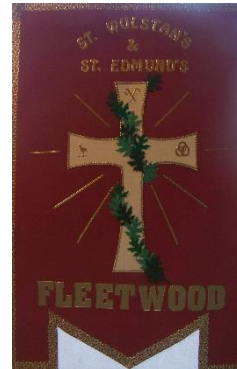
Following on from last week's ideas, here are some more:

1. Reduce your book-print and join a library instead of buying books. This will also protect our libraries. 2. Invest in a washing line; tumble dryers devour electricity 3. Use a fountain pen rather than disposable plastic pens 4. Get yourself a reusable coffee cup or reusable water bottles to reduce your plastic waste. 5. Give your garden a good breakfast; coffee grounds and eggshells are ideal for composting. A compost heap reduces the waste your send to landfill sites, and helps your plants grow! 6. Clean the back of your fridge. Dusty coils can increase energy consumption by 30%. 7. Give a colleague a lift to work, or a neighbour a lift to the supermarket. Join a carshare scheme to find a passenger. 8. Instead of using disposable face wipes, try using washable wipes. 9. Make your own green cleaning products and avoid harmful chemicals—the secret is lemon juice, vinegar, and baking soda. 10. Donate your leftover paint to a community project; Britons fail to use 6.2m litres of the paint they buy each year.

Palazzola: Geoff Stubbs from St Mary's, is planning to run a Christmas trip to the English College Rome's Country House, Covid regulations permitting, If you would be interested, email beechwoodhouse@talktalk.net

19th Sunday of Year B 8/8/21

Sunday 8th 1000 Maria and Steve Doherty (40th wedding Anniversary)
Monday 9th **No Mass**
Tuesday 10th **St Lawrence**
1800 Val Earnshaw (RIP)
Wednesday 11th **St Clare**
0930 Philip Matley (RIP)
Thursday 12th 1800 Bill and Mary Johnstone
Friday 13th 0930 William Yates (Birthday Anniversary)
Saturday 14th **St Maximilian Kolbe**
0930 People of the Parish
Sunday 15th **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
1000 John Sullivan (Birthday Anniversary)



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18th Sunday of Year B 1/8/21

Sunday 1st 1000 James Doherty and April Stobart (Wedding Day)
Monday 2nd **No Mass**
Tuesday 3rd 1800 Margaret Cuffe (RIP)
Wednesday 4th **St John Vianney**
0930 Theresa Campy (RIP)
Thursday 5th 1800 Margaret Guatelli (RIP)
Friday 6th **TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**
0930 Sick and Housebound of the Parish
Saturday 7th **The Lancaster Martyrs**
0930 People of the Parish



SUNDAY MASS IS NOW LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE

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.

The Lady Chapel is now open again every day from 0800-1700

Collection

18th July £397.30
25th July £361.02

Thankyou

Attendance

Sunday - 73 Weekdays (total) - 109 Website - 90 Households
Sunday - 80 Weekdays (total) - 89 Website - 693 Households

Keeping in Touch:

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

Anniversaries this Week: Mary Abram, Pat Cullen, Bill Whiteside, Bernard Hewitt, Sybil Wright, Margaret Dunne, Jenny Harrison, Ann Bailey, Frank McAvoy, Elizabeth McCloud, Sybil Whiteside,

Baptism Anniversaries:

Louis Harry Pammenter	2 nd August 2015
Judith Rose Clarke	3 rd August 2014
Lola Grace Challoner	4 th August 2013
Isla Rae Peoples	6 th August 2017
Isabella Lisa Bailey	7 th August 2011
George Jacob Wilson	7 th August 2011
Archie Peter Fairbrother	7 th August 2011
Finley Jay Munton	8 th August 2009
Poppy Mai Harris	11 th August 2013
Isaac Joel Challoner	13 th August 2017
Jacob George Stedman	14 th August 2011

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for the Salvation Army and the people of Back Cop Lane, The Croft, Garfield Street, Lamour Place, Monroe Drive, Rossall Grange Lane, Warren Avenue South, Balmoral Terrace, Crookhall Close, Garland Grove, Lancaster Gate, Mount Road, Rossall Lane and Warrenhurst Road with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Bulletin: Please keep this copy for times of Mass as there will be no bulletin next week

Bonus Ball: Winners for 17th July were Rosemary Kelloway and Chris Lupton with No 1 (for the second week running). Winning number for 24th July was 59. No-one has that number.

Congratulations: to Maria and Steve Doherty who are celebrating their fortieth wedding anniversary today, 1st August, but who are away at their son James' wedding. We thank God for all the blessings of their life together and wish them well for the future.

Live streaming: We have received a lot of good feedback from our first live streamed Sunday Mass last week. People remarked how lovely the church looked, and one person said how wonderful it was to feel so 'close up' at the consecration. One thing I noticed is that we couldn't hear the congregation's responses very well. We might have to have a think about taking a roving mike around for people who would like to offer a bidding prayer.

The Green Hut: It was also great to open the green hut for coffee after Mass for the first time in 18 months. Naturally people are still a little cautious, but about 15 parishioners enjoyed a small social gathering.

Maintenance Committee: We hope to resume our bi-monthly meetings on Wednesday 11th August at 7pm in the presbytery. There's quite a bit to catch up on.

Southport Coach Trip: St Mary's Church has organised a coach trip to Southport on Wednesday 11th August, departing from St Mary's at 9am and returning at 6pm. Tickets cost £12 per Adult and £6 per child under 16. If anyone would like to join us please contact Barbara Lynch on 07545 429894.

Annual Mass in the Cemetery: I will check with the cemetery Authorities to see if we might be allowed to resume our annual Mass. This year it would be especially poignant in that we would be praying for so many people who have lost their lives to Covid 19, many of whom we will know. If it's allowed, I suggest we go for the last week in August.

Volunteer Drivers: If you are able to spare a couple of hours on a Monday to deliver food parcels, please get in touch with Fr Alf asap.

St Edmunds: As I mentioned a couple of months ago, I was told of a rumour that St Edmunds was closing as a church. That was indeed a rumour, and I said that nothing would happen to St Edmunds without full consultation with the parishioners. There are no plans at the moment to close but looking at how things are going in other parts of the Diocese, it may be a possibility one day. That doesn't necessarily mean we would lose the building, but we may have to think more creatively on how it is used. The last thing we would want is what happened to St Nicholas Owen and St Monica's, which were arbitrarily closed by the Diocese, and now stand empty and decaying. Could everybody have a good think about how they see the way ahead, then a bit further down the line, we could have an extraordinary parish meeting on what people's ideas are.

Dare to Care: Is a free 12 week training programme that provides unpaid carers, including 16-18 year olds, an opportunity to develop new skills, receive training certificates, and build confidence for a potential career in the Care Sector. If you are interested in joining the scheme, please contact Healthwatch Blackpool: beth@healthwatchblackpool.co.uk or call 0300 323 2100.



Quiz Night: Our next Quiz Night (our last on Zoom) will be on Wednesday 4th August starting at 7pm. Please join us on Zoom : **616 766 9574** ~ Password: **4Pdd7w**



Singing: Great news that we can now sing in church, but please remember to keep your mask on to do so, as advised by Bishop Paul.

PS from Brian Wood: Fr Herbert Cockett SM, was fitted with his false leg in hospital in New Zealand. He visited the Children's wards to support and encourage those children who were faced with amputations. In the library, he met a small boy and said to him "The best thing about having a false leg is that people can kick it and you don't feel anything.". The boy then aimed a ferocious kick at Fr Cockett's leg. Fr Cockett smiled and said "There you are, I didn't feel a thing." The boy seemed very impressed and left the room. When the door had closed, Fr Cockett collapsed into the armchair in great pain shouting "He kicked the wrong leg!". Dear Jesus, give your healing to all sick children and give strength and consolation to their parents.