

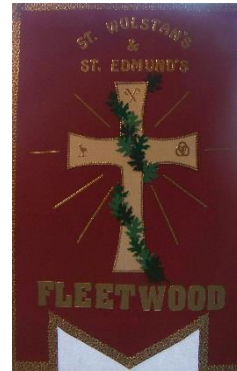
Manager for the Pantry: A position has become available for a Part Time Pantry Manager/Church Worker in Fleetwood. Full Time Position - 37.5 hours per week, split across Pantry Manager Church Worker Salary £22,000 per annum Fixed Term Contract 2 years This is a joint venture between Faith in the Community (Fleetwood) and St. Peter and St. David's Church of England Churches. If you feel you have the skills to support the work we deliver please request further information and job description from johnbloem@aol.com or telephone on 01253 876176. Closing dates for applications is 30th September 2021. Shortlisting will take place on 3rd October 2021. Interviews will be held in Fleetwood on Friday 8th of October 2021

Young People's Retreats: In the coming months, we have two open retreat weekends at Castlerigg which our young people might be interested in: October 1-3 for those preparing for Confirmation. December 10-12 Advent Retreat - A chance for young people to make some friends and deepen their faith in a welcoming, relaxed environment. There are separate streams for Young People aged Year 10 and above, and for Young Adults aged 18-25. Any questions, give me a shout - jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Assisted Suicide Bill: Baroness Meacher's assisted suicide Bill will likely have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on 22 October, and the pro-assisted suicide lobby have been further increasing pressure on peers to support this dangerous bill. This has included many members of the public writing to peers with personal stories that make a strong case for introducing assisted suicide. **TAKE ACTION** - Peers need to know that any assisted suicide law would be fundamentally unsafe and that now is the time to invest in better palliative and end-of-life care instead. We are asking for members of the public to send in their compelling personal stories of the powerful benefits of palliative and end-of-life care, and of the dangers of assisted suicide. If you, or someone you know, has a compelling personal testimony, please click the button below to find out more about what we are looking for and to provide full details of your story using our easy-to-use tool. Any story, no matter how big or small it might seem, could be critical to the fight against assisted suicide in the Lords. These positive experiences of end-of-life care and negative experiences around assisted suicide will be very helpful in shaping the views of peers on this bill and convincing them to reject this extreme and dangerous proposal.

QUIZ NIGHT: FRIDAY 1ST OCTOBER

Tickets available at Mass on Sunday from Maria and Steve. Our first parish social event for over 18 months take place in the School Hall on Friday 1st October from 7pm. (Quiz starts at 7.30) and will include Steve's Quiz and a Hot Pot Supper. Please bring own nibbles and drinks. We hope you will be able to join us on what has always proved to be a very enjoyable parish social event. Why not bring a few friends? Tickets cost £4 to include Hot Pot Supper.



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26th Sunday of Year B 26/9/21

Sunday 26th 0930 Len O'Halloran (Anniversary)
Monday 27th **No Mass**
Tuesday 28th 1800 Elizabeth Allen (LD)
Wednesday 29th **SS Michael, Gabriel, Raphael - Archangels**
0930 James Travis (Anniversary)
Thursday 30th 1800 Joe McNally (ill)
Friday 1st **St Therese de Lisieux**
0930 Claire Kershaw (RIP)
Saturday 2nd 0930 People of the Parish
Sunday 3rd 1000 Thanksgiving for successful operation (KR)



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	Attendance
19 th Sept £330.70	Sunday - 131
Thankyou	Weekdays (total) - 103
	Website - 120 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: Len O'Halloran, Roy Loveless, Mario Cygal, Teresa Slater,

Baptism Anniversaries:

Alyssia Valerie McCrodden-Rawcliffe 2nd October 2011
Siobhan Moore 2nd October 2011

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for St David's Church and the people of Birkdale Avenue, Delta Lane, Greta Place, Lawrence Row, Newby Avenue, St John Avenue and Westby Grove with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winner for 18th September was Viv McCarron with No 12. Annual subs are due on 1st October - £50 for full year (2 free goes), £25 for half year (1 free go). Please pay Anne Holland or Cathy Wilson direct or leave your subs with Fr Alf to pass on. There are spare numbers available for new members if anyone wants to join. These are: - 9,12,13,15,16,19,20,24,24,25,28,31,32,36,38,40,41,43,46,47,49 to 52,53 to 57 and 59. Some people do have one of these numbers but as we have 2 names for each number, it's still possible to choose one of these if it is your favourite. Just tell Anne which one you would like.

Bible Share: Continues this Thursday 1830 after evening Mass. It's so good to be back delving into the richness of the scriptures after such a long time. We started back with the Book of Ruth, which was a really fab session, and last week started the Book of Esther, which is shaping up to be a real page turner. Bible share is not 'Bible Study' in the academic sense, but an enjoyable chat around what we make of the text and its relevance to us. In the words of one of our greatest scripture scholars St Jerome, "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ". We meet every two weeks in the presbytery. All are welcome.

Family Fast Day: Friday 1st October is one of the two annual CAFOD family fast days, on which people are asked to eat a little less and put what they have saved on food that day in the CAFOD envelope for the benefit of the world's poor. If you are a taxpayer your gift can be Gift Aided.

ALPHA: The next ecumenical Alpha course will take place in the Broadway Rooms, at our neighbouring church of St Nicholas, from Saturday 15th January - 2nd April. Each session starts with breakfast at 1000 and ends promptly at 1200 noon. Alpha, as you know, is a gentle introduction to Christianity for anyone seeking God with a sincere heart. You probably know people just like that. Please feel free to let them know that Alpha is coming up. In the meantime, we will need helpers for various tasks associated with making sure everything runs smoothly, eg setting up and taking down, washing up, welcoming hosts, group leaders etc. If you would like to volunteer, please let Fr Alf know. More details to follow nearer the time.

Fleetwood Together: As you know, when Covid started, and people had to isolate, a group of us got together to mobilise a whole raft of volunteers to make sure that nobody went hungry. At the peak of the pandemic we were taking out 600 deliveries a week, feeding about 1400 people. Obviously, things are scaling down now, but the need is still there. Last week all our volunteers were honoured with a 'Community Hero Award' from BBC Lancashire. We were represented by Sue Warburton, who has had an important leading role throughout. Well done everyone.

Divine Renovation: As the world moves on from Covid many changes will come into being, including in the Church. We will soon not be able to do things in the way we have always done, so it is really important to develop a vision for the future. Fr Alf is working with other priests from all over the country via Zoom, to see how Divine Renovation can come about in our parishes, using the treasures and gifts our people already have. We've already made a start with Cathy and Kim, now well on in their first year of study for the Diploma in Pastoral ministry, and hopefully, more will follow. In the meantime, one of my tasks from the last session was to say what I loved about our parish and what drives me crazy. Developing a vision is about first facing up to reality. The second task was to ask various people what they love about our parish, and what drives them crazy? I'd be grateful if you let me know - it would be a great help for shaping the vision.

Cardinal Allen Catholic High School Open Evening- Thursday 30th September from 6.00pm.

Mr Cafferkey extends an invitation to all prospective pupils and their families to see the great opportunities that our Catholic High School has to offer. We appreciate, that in the current circumstances, there may be some families wary of attending an event that attracts so many visitors, and so this year our doors will open at 6.00pm and Mr Cafferkey will address parents at 6.30pm and again at 7.15pm - you will be handed a 'ticket' as you arrive indicating which talk you should attend. This way, we hope to have fewer people in the main Hall and reduce congestion around the corridors and classrooms.

Congratulations: Many congratulations to Theresa and Richard Sharpe who celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary this week. We wish them both much happiness.

PS from Brian Wood: As I drove towards the town centre today, a lovely squirrel ran across the road ahead of me and disappeared into the golf course. Some time later, I was returning the same way and saw, in the middle of the road, the body of a squirrel. I was overcome by sadness at this, to think that another piece of our wildlife had succumbed to the technicalities of mankind. We are always in a rush to get there quickly and our wildlife simply cannot cope with the speed. If there were no squirrels, we would miss them enormously. Dear Jesus, give us the grace and inspiration always to preserve your beautiful wildlife.

REPEAT NOTICES

Collection Counters: If anyone would like to join the merry band of collection counters on the rota, please let Maria Stansfield know. Ideally, we need about 6 teams of 2 people so that you're not overcommitted. Training will be given.

Narcotics Anonymous: As we all know, drugs addiction is prevalent throughout the country, indeed throughout the world, and is no respecter of persons, regardless of their place in society. Some people reading this may have had, or may know someone who has, a problem with drugs? Help is at hand. Narcotics Anonymous is coming to Fleetwood, and will start meeting this Thursday, and every Thursday after that, from 1900-2000, in the Millennium Room at St Mary's, entering through the Warren Street entrance. For more details talk to Stephen or ring him on 07445 265300.

Donna Worthington's next Retreat: The Fire, The Well and the cloak | Explore the spirituality of St Brigid and her compelling symbolism. Wednesday 29th September 6.30-9pm Booking at drworthington@live.co.uk or <https://christianretreats.live>