

**Good News:** At long last, we have received news that we can begin to prepare for receiving a refugee family from a war-torn area. As you know, we have had everything in place since early 2020, but Covid put everything on hold. Now we can go ahead with finding accommodation and putting into effect what our teams have got ready. More details when we are up and running.

**Donna Worthington's next retreats:**

February 6<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm - *The Woman with the haemorrhage* (Luke 8,40-48). A countercultural text of liberation and a journey to the hem of his garment.

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2-5pm or Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February 10am-1pm - Ecclesiastes 3, 1-8. *'There is a time for everything and a season for every purpose under heaven'*. We explore the wisdom of this text for our lives.

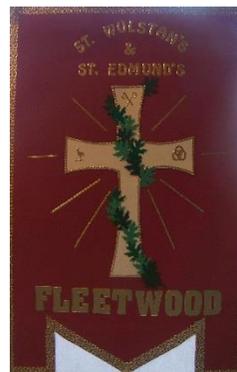
Thursday evenings February 10, 17, 24 from 6.30-9pm. *The Parables? Nice little stories or subversive arrows that turn things upside down?* (Cost £60)

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**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** The Holy Land is now open again for pilgrimages from the UK. Northern Star Travel are offering the following dates: 27th October 2022, 3rd November 2022, 10th November 2022, 17th November 2022, 24th November 2022, 2nd February 2023, 09th February 2023, 16th February 2023 & 23rd February 2023. Departures from Manchester, Luton or Gatwick Airport. Special Price: £1095 per person sharing, £1350 in single room. 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast 4\* Hotel Bethlehem, 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast 4\* Hotel Tiberias. It has been a long time since the last parish trip (to Valladolid). Would anyone be interested in going to the Holy Land sometime this year? Let Fr Alf know. To view the Pilgrimage itinerary visit our website [www.northernstartravel.com](http://www.northernstartravel.com)

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year C 13/2/22

Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	1000 Intentions of Siobhan
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	1800 Robert Rawcliffe (RIP)
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	1100 Funeral Mass for Benjamin Newbold
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	1800 Mary Carr (LD)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	0930 People of the Parish
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	0930 Peter Benny (Lb)
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	1000 Teresa Campy (Anniversary)



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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year C 6/2/22

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	1000 Margaret Cuffe (RIP)
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	1800 Eucharistic Service
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	0930 Eucharistic Service
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	1000 Intentions of Siobhan



**SUNDAY MASS IS NOW LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE**

**CONFESSIONS:** 0900 on Saturdays and 1730 on Thursdays

*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**

30<sup>th</sup> Jan £437.20  
Thankyou

**Attendance**

Sunday - 111 Weekdays (total) - 101 Website - 89 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:** Charlotte Lee, Sarah Briggs, John Rigby, Louie Clerkin, Irene Stewart, Betty Wilkinson, Paul Buschini, Margaret Cuffe, Hilda Geldart, Carol Spriggs, Joe Murphy, John Greig, Bertie Pirie, Sonja McNamara, Don Jorgenson, Fred Abrams, Theresa Campy, Anthony Harrison.

**Baptism Anniversaries:**

Jasmine Louise Allman	11 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Paige Marie Allman	11 <sup>th</sup> February 2018
Scarlet Anne Rose Moran	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2017

**Churches Together Prayer Calendar:** This week we are praying for Emmanuel Church and St Paul's Church and the people of Ainsdale Avenue, Enterprise Way, Hodder Close, Lynton Close, Pharos Street, Springfield Terrace, Yew Court, Albany Road, Burns Road, Esk Avenue, Hollywood Grove, Macbeth Road, Pike Court, Stanley Gate and York Avenue with the prayer: **May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.**

## NEW NOTICES

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

**Bonus Ball:** Winning number for 29<sup>th</sup> January was 46. No one has this number.

**Meetings this week:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> 1000-1200 Alpha Course in St Nicholas Parish Hall

**Missionary Appeal:** This Sunday we welcome Fr Joseph Kiwango from Tanzania who will give the annual Missions appeal on behalf of the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers). I'm sure we will give him a typical St Wulstan's warm welcome. Last year we had to cancel the missions appeal Sunday because of Covid, and, like many Charities, the Missions suffered as a result.

**Latest Guidance from the Bishops' Conference:** The scientific consensus is that society is moving towards the stage where the virus is transitioning from the pandemic phase to the endemic phase, but as stated by HM Government, there is still a risk associated with gathering for sustained periods in enclosed spaces and therefore there needs to be continued caution by all against infection. The main form of virus transmission is via personal oral or nasal aerosol. Those attending worship may continue to wear a face covering whilst in the church building. There is no need for formal social distancing in church buildings, but we should be sensitive to those keeping it. It is clear from scientific evidence that transmission from surfaces (touch transmission) is now minimal and so the use of hymn books, missals, etc can be resumed with immediate effect. It is still good practice to sanitise hands on entry and exit of churches. All ministers of Holy Communion (clergy and lay) should still sanitise their hands for the distribution of Holy Communion. Holy water stoups may be refilled but care should be seen that the water is changed regularly (at a minimum of once a week). Usual forms of church cleaning are sufficient. Regarding the liturgical action, the Sign of Peace may be offered again if felt appropriate. Holy Communion must continue to be given under one kind only (the Sacred Host) and for concelebrations of clergy, intinction of the Precious Blood with the Sacred Host should continue to be used. Congregational singing may continue and there is a general encouragement to wear face coverings while singing. However, it is recognised that not everyone will feel able to do this. Parish social activities can resume. It is recommended that the normal Health and Safety risk assessment for the activity and the space used is reviewed for these types of gatherings.

Home visits can continue (or begin again if they had been suspended) by priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and other volunteers. The minister to the sick or housebound person should take care to ensure that the number of visits to different homes in a single session of visiting is managed. It is recommended (outside hospital and hospice chaplaincies and social care institutions who have infection control in place) that the number of people visited is assessed beforehand to prevent the possibilities of transmitting the virus between people. Assessing the time spent with people and ensuring that there is good ventilation and cleanliness during the visit are also good practice.

**Parish Synod Meetings:** As mentioned on Sunday, people would like to carry on Synodal discussions every quarter as our contribution to the worldwide Synod taking place in 2023. As a starter, may I suggest a "Watch Party" for Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 6pm in the Green Hut. It will be a live webinar hosted by Divine Renovation on the subject "What is God saying to the Church?" refreshments will be provided. Mass will be brought forward to 1730

**Useful Aids for walking etc:** The family of the late Jean Sullivan has very kindly offered her nearly brand-new walker (with shopping bag attached), a wheelchair and a table on wheels to anyone who would like them. Let Fr Alf know if you would like all or any of them.

**Help for fuel bills:** Just a reminder that the Wyre Council Household Support Fund is open to assist households that are struggling with fuel bills. If you need help or know of someone who does go to. <https://www.wyre.gov.uk/xfp/form/509>

**Castlerigg is looking for Volunteers for 2022-23** // Applications are now open for next year's Castlerigg Team! Are you over 18? Would you like to spend next year living in Keswick and working with some wonderful young people from all around the Northwest? The role is voluntary but full training is provided, as well as accommodation and spending money. If you're interested, Email Jack to start the conversation - [jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

**PS from Brian Wood:** Many years ago, when I was in my teens, I played cricket for Great Harwood Second Eleven. Our Captain was an older gentleman called Harry who shared his cricketing experience with us. Of course, he was not as physically fit as we young ones and sometimes it showed. On one occasion I was batting with Harry and we ran three runs off each of four consecutive balls, twelve runs in total. After finishing the final run, I turned to see Harry, panting, sweat dripping off his chin, staggering down the pitch towards me shouting his standard instruction in such a circumstance "Fours and singles only from now on!" We didn't win many matches. Dear Jesus, now that the pendulum has swung the other way for me, give me the grace to grow old sedately, and grant to Harry eternal rest.

## REPEAT NOTICES

**The new Parish Ladies' Group:** Due to a lot of enthusiasm for this new venture, Gill has decided to bring the first meeting forward to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 7-8pm. Inspired by the Synod Group meeting and Fr Alf's recent sermons, this is intended to be an opportunity for **all generations of women, from the age of 15 - 115**, to meet together, sharing their experiences, stories, skills and friendship. No 'agenda' has been planned. I think it would be lovely if we can get it going with a wide age-range group.