

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 3-10 November: For those coming on the pilgrimage, could you please let Fr Alf know if you have booked and paid your deposit with Northern Star Travel, so I know for certain how many are coming, and what sort of transport I need to order to take us to Manchester. If you prefer you can let me have your booking form and deposit and I will send them all off together. Once we have the numbers, I will arrange for the Travel Rep to come here to brief us on the trip and answer any questions. The cost is £1095.00 sharing or £1350 for a single room. If anyone else would like to come, please let Fr Alf know. A deposit of £275 per person is required to make the booking.

Stonyhurst Job Opportunity: We are looking for an accountant to assist the charity on a contracted basis, and keen that they be sympathetic to the charity's mission, and hence ideally Catholic. The work is all to be done remotely, but I am putting out adverts in the parishes that are most local to us. Accountant position 10 hours average (from 8 to 16 hours) per month for the Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. Key Responsibilities: General bookkeeping. VAT Returns. Overseeing Audits. Providing cashflow summaries for Trustee meetings. Pay roll. Maintaining Companies House & Charity Commission info. Salary £16-20 per hour, depending on experience. Contact director@christianheritagecentre.com

Welcome: We say welcome to Helen Paddock who will be received into the church at the Easter Vigil after months of preparation. May God bless her as she continues her journey of faith.

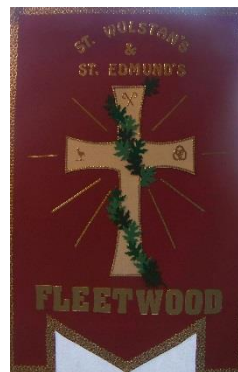
Gift Aid: Do you pay tax and make offerings to the parish? If you do and you have not signed a gift aid declaration, you are invited to do so, as the parish receives 25% back from the government for all donations made under this scheme. Please contact Maria Doherty for more details.

PS from Brian Wood: When Sir John Hunt was the chairman of the Parole Board, he had his headquarters in the Home Office in London. A colleague of mine was attending a meeting at the Home Office and met Sir John in the foyer of the building. They chatted for a while and as they parted, Sir John moved towards the lift. My colleague, having a sense of humour, teased Sir John saying "You are the famous Everest mountaineer, you should be climbing the stairs. Why are you using the lift?". Sir John thought for a moment, smiled and replied, "Because it's there." Dear Jesus, we thank you for the gift of a sense of humour which helps us to use the day well and keeps the wheels of life well oiled.

REPEAT NOTICES

Appeal for Bags: The Pantry have asked for donations of recyclable bags (non-plastic) for the use of clients who come to pick up food and often forget to bring some. They can be given direct to Viv McCarron or left at the back of church for collection. Thank you.

Men's Rosary Rally: Stephen has found some information calling all men to "take up spiritual arms" by praying a public rosary for reparation to the Immaculate heart of Mary. The rally takes place around the country on the 1st Saturdays of the month. For Blackpool 4th June contact admin@newdawn.org.uk and for Preston 3rd September contact team@metanoiproject.co.uk



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Easter Sunday Year C 17/4/22

Sunday 17 th	1000 Kev Cullen (Anniversary)
Monday 18 th	No Mass
Tuesday 19 th	1800 Jean Sullivan (RIP)
Wednesday 20 th	0930 Anthony Buschini (Anniversary)
Thursday 21 st	1800 David Young (RIP)
Friday 22 nd	0930 Vincent and Susan Broomhead (Golden Wedding)
Saturday 23 rd	0930 Marjorie Johnson (RIP)
Sunday 24 th	1000 People of the Parish



SUNDAY MASS IS NOW LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE

CONFESSIONS: 1000 - 1030 on Saturdays or anytime on request

**St Wulstan's will be open 30 minutes before the start of each Mass.
The Lady Chapel is open every day from 0800-1700**

Collection		Attendance	
3 rd April £459.00	Sunday - 117	Weekdays (total) - 72	Website - 105 Households
10 th April £572.40	Sunday - 118	Weekdays (total) - 41	Website - 111 Households
Thankyou			

Keeping in Touch:

- Follow Twitter <https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund>
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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

Anniversaries this Week: Anthony Buschini, Denis Clarke, Brooke O'Connor, Kev Cullen, Edward Tomlinson, Angela Hogg, Mel Ockwell, Patrick McCann, Joyce Gaskell.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Charlotte and Victoria Bowker 10th April 2016
Oliver John Coles 11th April 2010
Violet Dorothy Fogg 12th April 2014
Ariana Louise Wareing 15th April 2018

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for St Mary's Church and the people of Arden Green, Caton Avenue, Fern Court, Jones Grove, Market Place, Quayside and Tatham Close with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winning No for 26th March was 40. Nobody has that number. Winner for 2nd April was Margaret Yeo with No 20. Winners for 9th April were Jeff Wilson and Julie Lynch with No 17.

Easter Preparations: If you would like to help prepare and decorate our church for Easter you would be very welcome. Just turn up on Saturday morning at 0930. After the austerity and minimalism of Lenten decoration, it's always wonderful to see the bursting of new life throughout the church. So, get your creative juices going! Judith writes: A big thank to all those people who donated money for flowers so that we could decorate the Church for Easter. The flower donations for Easter and Christmas make such a difference. Thank for your support.

Sunset Service: A Message from John McLellan at Churches Together: - Sorry to come to you at this late stage, but because fish and chip shops seem to close at 8pm - as we've only now realized - and because our planned start time for the Sunset Service (7.30) on the Mount, wouldn't give us time to get our orders in for our gathering at Trinity Baptist, I'm bringing it forward to 7pm (which should, actually, ensure that we have sufficient daylight, even if it's cloudy). As in previous years, please be encouraged to bring along any fairly brief reading, reflection, poem (including your own composition), relevant to the occasion, which you would like to share.

Ukrainian Refugees: One key piece of advice to parishioners who are applying to host people they don't already know is to link with an organization with refugee experience. The other main piece of advice is the decision by CSAN (Catholic Social Action Network) to focus on the Reset 'matching' service as the one to go to for people who wish to host, and indeed for Ukrainian people to register. There are a few options, but CSAN has decided to back Reset, with its experience of community sponsorship and knowledge in the field. The link is here: <https://www.homesforukraine.org.uk/> CSAN Ukraine Toolkit: <https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine>

SPUC Pro-Life chain: Saturday 23 April 11.00 am - 1.00 pm: please join us for this annual silent act of witness to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion. Meet on London Road, Preston - just north of Ribble bridge. Stay for all or part of the time; bring a chair if required. For info tel. 01772 723094.

Divine Mercy Sunday: Will be celebrated with a Holy Hour, opportunity for Confession, reflection on the mercy of God, and Divine Mercy Chaplet, at 3pm on 24th April at St John the Evangelist, Breck Road, Poulton.

Meetings This Week: Wed 20th 1900 Combined Maintenance and Finance in presbytery
Thu 21st 1830 Bible Share in presbytery

Foodbank Appeal: As you may know, the funding we received from the Government to provide food for those in need during the Pandemic, has now come to an end. However, our numbers attending the Pantry have not gone down. We are feeding in excess of two hundred people each week. These numbers may rise as the higher cost of energy begins to bite. As before the Pandemic we are now solely reliant on donations of both food and money, and the need is fairly urgent. I have not seen our shelves so empty. May I appeal, then, for people to, once again, start bringing the odd tin or foodstuff to place in the Foodbank bin at the back of church, or to drop stuff off at the presbytery. I will also be writing to the other schools in Fleetwood to adopt our own school's "Tin Tuesday". Thank you.

Poverty Challenge - See, Judge, Act: Following the Pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. CSAN has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses for groups or individuals to engage with it. You can download from www.csan.org.uk

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee: On Sunday 5th June, the great feast of Pentecost, in which we honour the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, who inspires and helps us to live the Christian life, we will be offering special thanks to God for the Christian witness of our Queen. In line with many communities throughout the country, we are planning to have a big parish lunch to celebrate her 70th anniversary. A bouncy castle has already been ordered for the children, and face painting is also on the menu. A boules competition has also been suggested. We would welcome further suggestions and like as many people as possible to be involved in making it a wonderful day. If you would like to help, there will be a planning meeting in the Green Hut at 1830, straight after 6pm Mass, on Thursday 28th April.

News from Castlerigg:

World Youth Day 2023 // The Youth Service have now launched the package for World Youth Day 2023. It's happening next August in Lisbon and the diocese are taking a small group of young adults. Check out castleriggmanor.com for more details.

LIT (Open Confirmation Retreat) // Castlerigg Manor are holding the first ever in-person open confirmation retreat this May (25-27th). It's open to anyone who has been confirmed recently, or anybody who is about to be. Check out castleriggmanor.com for more details.

Lourdes 2022 Youth Section // Lourdes is back this year and once again there will be a huge section led by the Youth Service. Check out castleriggmanor.com for more details

Castlerigg Open Day // July 17th, 1pm to 5pm, with Mass at 4pm. Fun for all the family, and a chance to help Castlerigg raise some money to help its work with young people. Save the date.

Castlerigg Manor are Hiring // The Youth Service are looking for a Trainee Retreat Leader (Salary package £22,500) as well as a young Catholic to take on a live-in housekeeper role. Interested? Email_jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk