

Date for the Diary: Stephen, our potential student for the Priesthood, will be giving his postponed talk on his previous rather colourful life, on Wednesday 18th May at 6pm, for an hour before Choir Practice.

PS from Brian Wood: When I was nine years old, I became an altar server. The Parish Priest, Fr Wearden, had a very large black dog which used to terrify us if it could get into the vestry, snapping and snarling. One Sunday before Mass, we realized that the dog was in the garden immediately behind the vestry and, by making growling noises, we managed to annoy it so much it barked continuously. Mass started and the dog kept barking. Halfway through Mass, Fr Wearden could stand it no longer. He left the altar and went through the house into the garden. We could hear him rebuking the dog loudly. We altar servers were delighted that we had, for once, got our own back on the dog. Dear Jesus, we thank you for the company of our pets, even when they are a nuisance sometimes

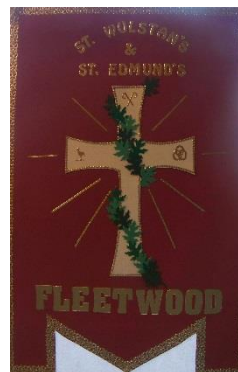
REPEAT NOTICES

Volunteer Needed: After 38 years of cutting the grass and looking after the outer fabric of St Edmund's church, Pip Lupton is having to call it a day because of health issues. As you would all agree, Pip has done a fabulous job, the grounds always looking immaculate, even during these last two years of Foodbank use, when wheelie bins have been trundled back and forward across the edges. Would anyone like to take over from Pip? If so, could you please let Fr Alf know. Pip will be happy to show you the ropes.

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.

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.

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.



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4th Sunday of Easter Year C 8/5/22

Sunday 8 th	1000 Cynthia O'Connor (Anniversary)
Monday 9 th	No Mass
Tuesday 10 th	1800 Peter O'Connor (Anniversary)
Wednesday 11 th	0930 Frank Ramsbottom (LD) 1000 - Holy Half Hour and Benediction
Thursday 12 th	1800 Clifford Scott (Anniversary)
Friday 13 th	0930 Latham and Robinson Families (Special Intention)
Saturday 14 th	St Matthias (Apostle) NB 0730 People of the Parish
Sunday 15 th	1000 Anne Monaghan's Intentions



SUNDAY MASS IS NOW LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE

CONFESSIONS: 0900 - 1000 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	
24 th April	£579.50	Sunday - 128	Weekdays (total) - 73
1 st May	£593.10	Sunday - 92	Weekdays (total) - 73
Thank you		Website - 80 Households	Website - 91 Households

Keeping in Touch:

- Follow **Twitter** <https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund>
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Anniversaries this Week: Joan Boardman, James Geldart, Maresa Walsh, Betty Smith, Peter O'Connor, Mary Hayhurst, Maureen Scott, Susannah Bamforth, Ronald Beesley, Pat Wilson, Michael Gowlin, Gerard McKenna.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Jack Philp Bowker	28 th April 2013
Florence Rose Parry-Jones	29 th April 2018
Maisy Rose McDaid	1 st May 2011
Bella Olivia Roskell	1 st May 2016
Michael Bond-Benson	2 nd May 2010
Logan Andrew Dobby	7 th May 2017

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for Emmanuel Church and the people of Armitstead Way, Charterhouse Court, Fisherman's Wharf, Keating Court, Meadow Avenue, Radcliffe Road and Teviot Avenue with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Saturday 14th May: Please note Mass will be at 0730 before we depart to Salford at 0800.

Bonus Ball: Winner for 24th April was Annie McKeon with No 15. Winning No for 30th April was 52. No-one has that number.

Meetings This Week: Wednesday 11th 1030 SVP Mtg in the Presbytery.
Thursday 12th 1900 Deanery Pastoral Council in the Green Hut.

The Pantry: Now that 'Fleetwood Together' is officially finished as our joint enterprise during the two years of the pandemic, we have a new dedicated number and email for the Pantry alone. The number is 07852 989065, and the email is Thepantry-fleetwood@outlook.com

Thank you: The Ecumenical Lent Lunches raised £890.00 for Trinity Hospice, in memory of David Stead RIP: a terrific effort. Also, from Catherine Anderton: Thank you to everyone who brought Ukrainian bows. A donation of £43.50 was sent to the UNICEF Ukrainian children's fund.

Fleetwood and District Choral Society: will give 'An Elizabethan Serenade' concert to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, at 7.30pm on Saturday 7th May in St Mary's Church. The programme includes music from the reigns of both Queen Elizabeths. Tickets £12. (Under 18s free).

Stoneyhurst Christian Leadership Formation programme: is running for a second consecutive year and is currently open to applications from students in Lower Sixth. The application deadline is Friday 3rd June 2022, although references will still be accepted after that date for applications that have already been submitted. The programme is for students who are actively committed to their faith, who are intellectually gifted and who are committed to shaping a Christian society through their careers. It provides a spiritual and philosophical/theological formation in the Catholic tradition around themes relating to the common good, as well as workshops in skills pertaining to public life. Part- to full sponsorships are available to students who are unable to meet the costs, though students are asked to attempt to fundraise £140 (10% of the course's costs) as a minimum contribution. For information and application forms: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/clf/>

Online Retreats from Donna Worthington: THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD | Br Lawrence's wisdom on prayer as part of our daily lives. (3 Weeks) Thursday evenings: May 12, 19, 26 6.30-9pm £60. SILENCE | Starting with Jesus' approach to silence, we explore silence in various aspects of the Christian tradition and practise the art of silent Christian prayer along the way. Sat 14th May 2-5pm OR Mon 16th May 10am-1pm. For further info go to <https://christianretreats.live>

Finding Jesus in the Eucharist, the Poor and Creation: Saturday, 4th June, 2022. The event will be held in St Wilfrid's Parish Centre, Preston and we are thrilled to announce that Fr Eamonn Mulcahy will be our keynote speaker on the day. Event link: [Book via - Eventbrite - Finding Jesus in the Eucharist](#) or through the Lancashire Faith & Justice website: [website http://www.lancasterfaithandjustice.co.uk/](http://www.lancasterfaithandjustice.co.uk/) (first page) or ldfjsue@gmail.com.

John Bradbourne Pilgrimage Walk: For those who don't know of John Bradbourne, he came from our Diocese, was a World War 2 soldier, but spent many years seeking out how God wanted him to serve in some way. He was a gifted poet with a prolific output. He eventually became a modern-day type of Fr Damian, living with and serving outcast lepers in Zimbabwe, and turning the colony into a community of love and peace. During the war of independence, he was kidnapped and murdered. His cause is up for canonisation. Details of the pilgrimage walk are on the board at the back of church. Not for the faint hearted! All proceeds go to his Leprosy Care Centre. For more details phone Kate on 07979 187498.

Queen's Jubilee Parish Party: Will take place after Sunday Mass on 5th June with attractions for all ages. There are three lists at the back of church. One for numbers and names of those attending, one for those who would like to help with things like face-painting, running a game or event, decorate a cake competition, penalty shoot-out etc, as per the list, and the third for contributions of food and dishes for a Jacob's Join. Unfortunately, all our usual Barbecue specialists are away that weekend. The plan is to have a long table (or two) decked in union jacks etc as they did in the 50s at the time of the coronation. So, all hands to the pumps to make it a memorable day, in tribute to a truly remarkable person who has served our Nation faithfully for so many years.

Pre-Platinum Lunch: Judith Wood is selling tickets for a 1952 Menu lunch, Raffle and Songs, at Fleetwood Cricket Club on 24th May from 1200, to get you in the mood for the Jubilee. Cost £7.00. Proceeds to the NSPCC.

Inheriting Your Destiny: The Cor et Lumen Community is offering a course on discovering how to come into the life God made for you, and how to overcome the obstacles that block you fulfilling your destiny, on Saturday 14th May at All Hallows School, Preston, PR1 0LN. See notice and flyers at the back for more details.

Roe v Wade: In the light of possible progress being made in the USA to save the lives of unborn babies, after 50 years of legalised abortion, and in this month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we pray for all mothers and fathers, that, like Mary, they will be able to love and cherish their children from the moment they are conceived, and that they will find support from their spouses, partners, family and friends in the joys and trials of the wonderful vocation of parenthood.