

PS FROM BRIAN WOOD: In the late 60's, I had reason to visit Leeds. I arrived by coach and hurried past the Queens Hotel to catch the bus to Headingley. As I turned the corner I almost bumped into Eddie Waring, the BBC Rugby League commentator. I was so surprised I exclaimed "Eddie Waring!" and he replied, "That's right lad" and we shook hands. We then stood in the street for at least an hour, discussing Rugby League in general, the Floodlit Cup and Salford's chances in the Challenge Cup In particular. I didn't want to keep him from what he was doing but it was he who prolonged the conversation at every turn, with enthusiasm. It was a sheer delight to spend time with this gracious gentleman and experience his enthusiasm for his sport. Some years later, when Eddie died, I wrote to his son and described my meeting with his father. I received a very kind and gracious reply. Like father, like son. Dear Jesus, please give eternal rest to Eddie and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

REPEAT NOTICES

'LAUDATE ST' WEEK: With the Theme "Seeds of Hope" will be marked across the UK during 19-26 May. In our own Diocese, a "Care of Creation" week at Boarbank Hall, Grange over Sands, takes place 25May - 1st June. A "Faith in Food" day will be held at St Wilfrid's parish, Preston on 18th May. All welcome.

NEW OPENING TIMES FOR THE PANTRY: Vivienne is a volunteer and trustee at The Pantry and was delighted with the results of the recent refurbishment at the facility, creating more space for storage and a larger waiting area. The Pantry is now open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays to help people who need food and essential items. From the initial contact, the individual will be interviewed within 2 to 3 weeks. Viv wanted to say that they welcomed members of the community deemed to be of 'no fixed abode' and they appreciated the support.

STARTING THIS WEEK - PENTECOST ROSARY: Preparing for this mighty feast, Kim and Catherine from St Wulstan's and Ania from St Mary's, have asked us to join them in a four-day Rosary Crusade at the following venues: -

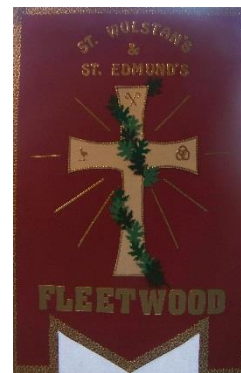
The Wait is Over!

On the day God designated, He fulfilled His promise of the Holy Spirit coming to all mankind, and for all mankind. The timing according to Scripture was the day of Pentecost. Our Catholic parishes of Fleetwood join together to welcome everyone as we take up the Holy Rosary.

Let us contemplate Jesus through four mysteries of Holy Rosary in May, Our Lady's month.

- 15th May at ST.MARY'S (6.30 pm) – Glorious Mysteries led by Men.
- 16th May at ST.WULSTAN'S after 6pm mass - Mysteries of Light led by Families and Young People.
- 17th May at ST.WULSTAN'S (6.30 pm) – Sorrowful Mysteries led by Ladies.
- 18th May at ST. MARY'S (6.30 pm) Joyful Mysteries.

On the 18th of May, the Eve of Pentecost, we will meet up in Millennium Room for some food and celebratory cake. Don't worry if you can't find your Rosary, they will be provided.



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PENTECOST SUNDAY ~ Year B ~ 19/05/24

Sunday 19 th	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Jane Holden (Anniversary) Henryk Romanowski (CM)	
Monday 20 th	No Mass		
Tuesday 21 st	1800 (W)	Dotty Hayman (LD)	
Wednesday 22 nd	1000 (M)	People of both parishes	
Thursday 23 rd	1800 (W)	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST Reggie McArt's family	
Friday 24 th	0930 (W) 1300 (CACHS)	Mgr. George Mooney (LD) Year 11 Leavers' Mass	
Saturday 25 th	0930 (W) 0950-1020	Deceased members of Cuffe family Confessions during Holy Half Hour	
Sunday 26 th	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Susan Norris (LD) Marie Richardson & Eileen Walker (RIP)	

SUNDAY MASS IS LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE
The Lady Chapel is open every day from 0800-1700 for private prayer.

Confessions during Benediction : Saturday 9.50 - 10.20

Collection	Attendance	Website
12 th May £475.30	133	73 Households

Keeping in Touch: X (formerly Twitter) <https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/st.wulstansfleetwood/>

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: Bert Baines, Wyn Gowling, Joan (Pearl) Crawford, Josie Ellwood, John O'Donnell, Christine Welsh, Samantha Walsh, Fay Beavers,

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

Alexander Benedict Currey	20 th May 2018	Micha Hampton	24 th May 2009
Alexander Charles Hardie	24 th May 2015	Scott William Hardie	24 th May 2015
Jenson Joseph Brice	25 th May 2011		

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR: This week we are praying for St David's Church and the people of Ash Street, Curtis Drive, Greta Place, Leeward Close, Newby Avenue, Silvia Way and Windward Avenue with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

BONUS BALL WINNERS:

May 4th - No 2 - Sue Gow
May 11th - No 22 - Jeannie Hibbell & Susan Noble

SYNODALITY: Over the last year we have not heard much about the buildup to the Synod & Synodality, which takes place towards the end of the year. This is going to be so important for the future of the Church, and indeed the world, so the more we know about it, the better.

Luckily, we have one of our own, who was present at the Synodal meetings in Rome, to bring us up to date. She is Professor Anna Rowlands from Poulton.

On Thursday, May 30th at 7pm in English Martyrs Church Hall, Highcross Road POULTON FY6 8DA, Professor Anna Rowlands will be speaking to us about the SYNOD and answering our questions on Zoom. Professor Rowlands has been a theological advisor to the SYNOD ON SYNODALITY from 2021 when Pope Francis called the whole Church to engage in this. So, she has rich experience to share with us to help us as we prepare for the second SYNODAL ASSEMBLY in October. Everyone is most welcome!

THE NEW DEBT CRISIS - MESSAGE FROM CAFOD: Just last week, week, Pope Francis called for action to address the new debt crisis that's crippling lower income countries. Over three billion people are living in countries where governments are spending more money on debts than on health or education. As record sums of money flow from the poorest nations to line the pockets of the world's biggest banks, we need to take a stand. We're calling on political parties to address this by passing a 'Debt Justice Law' if they form the next government. Will you join us by adding your name to our petition?

The UK has the power to tackle this. Because the majority of loans granted by big banks are governed by English law, the government could legislate to force lenders to stop demanding payments from countries facing a debt crisis.

Pope Francis has declared next year a 'Jubilee year', which in the Church is historically a time for cancelling debt and restoring equality. Just last week the Pope said, "I ask that [affluent nations] acknowledge the gravity of so many of their past decisions and determine to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them. More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice." As we prepare for the next Jubilee year, and approach a general election, will you take action now by writing to the UK's political leaders calling for a new Debt Justice Law?

[Call for action now!](#)

NEWS FROM CASTLERIGG: **Open Day - September 15th!** A chance for people in the area and beyond to visit us here in Keswick and have a bit of fun. The day starts at 12 and finishes with Mass at 3 pm with Bishop Paul.

by popular request, we are bringing back the **Friends of Castlerigg** scheme. **Your opportunity to get directly involved in our work and support us for just £10 a month** or as much as you can afford. Supporters will be invited to an annual "Friends" day here at Castlerigg and those giving £10 a month or more will also get a free entry to our monthly lottery. [More here...](#)

A HEARTFELT PRAYER FOR PENTECOST:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Scripture

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

Reflection

When Jesus lived on earth, he lived a life of radical inclusion - freely associating with the poor, weak, outcast and foreigner - challenging his followers to take down barriers and bridge divides. Now just before his ascension into heaven he speaks of the coming of the Holy Spirit which will call the disciples to witness to the gospel throughout the whole world.

As Pentecost people, we too are challenged to look outward, to seek to include others and look for the flourishing of all people and all creation. To welcome the immigrant and love the stranger. Empowered by the Spirit, we can take the healing, liberation, and joy that Jesus brings to the very ends of the earth.

To ponder today

How can I be a source of blessings to my neighbours both near and far?

Prayer

Come Holy Spirit.
blow away division and despair.
Light your flame of courage and hope in us
and warm our hearts with wisdom and love.

Be our Helper, as we seek your ways of justice.
Be our Comforter, as we share your peace with our wounded world.
Be our Advocate, as we call for the fullness of life for all.
Amen.