

## 18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR ~ Year B ~ 04/08/24

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Brenda Wilmot (Speedy Recovery) Philomena McNally (ill)
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass	Mass Intentions 
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	1800 (W)	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	1000 (M)	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION</b> Maureen Butler (RIP) <b>ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH, AMBROSE BARLOW AND COMPANIONS</b> Mass for Peace in the Middle East
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	1800 (W)	<b>ST DOMINIC</b> Sick & Housebound of both Parishes
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	0930 (W)	<b>ST BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS</b> Maureen Butler (RIP)
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	0930 (W)	<b>ST LAWRENCE</b> Mass for Peace in the Ukraine and Sudan - Followed by Confessions during Benediction
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	People of the Parish Mike Woodcock (Anniversary)

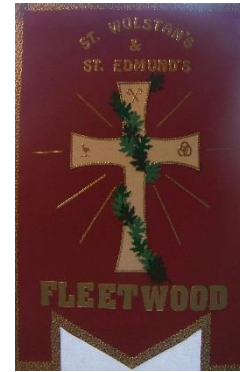
### REPEAT NOTICES

**BASS GUITAR AND AMPLIFIER FOR SALE:** Not just any old bass guitar, but the very one played by old 'Hot Fingers' himself, Gerry Statham of 'Unknowns' fame and founder of current parish Rock Group 'The Jags'. If you are interested, please talk to Gerry after Mass.

**ANNUAL SPUC PETITION:** Firstly, we would like to say a huge thank you for all you do for the cause of life in these difficult times. I am contacting you today about our annual SPUC petition. Sadly, one of the biggest drivers of abortion in the UK is **poverty** and one particular policy which penalises families and contributes to poverty is the current government policy on Universal Benefits. It is the UK's version of a two-child policy, when our society is greatly in need of a more child-friendly environment. Since the change in the benefit rules was introduced in 2017 there have been c.1,500,000 abortions in England & Wales. The 2-child benefit cap targets the poor and vulnerable. Please help mothers to choose life and overturn the cruel and punitive two-child benefit cap. The Petition calls on the Prime Minister to end the Government's cruel two-child benefit cap.  
**Petition Weekend : 10-11 August :** We will be receiving petition postcards before this date which we are asked to complete and return. More details nearer the time.

**NEW DAWN PILGRIMAGE - WALSINGHAM:** The New Dawn Pilgrimage will take place from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August at the National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham. New Dawn is a family event with a programme of liturgy, sacraments, praise and worship, keynote speakers, workshops, children/youth ministries and more. Further information can be found on the website at [www.newdawn.org.uk](http://www.newdawn.org.uk).

**WALSINGHAM - CHILDREN SLEEP FREE:** Enjoy our 'Children Sleep Free' offer where one child (12 years or younger) per paying adult stays free when you book a minimum of two consecutive nights. For more details see [www.walsingham.org.uk/free](http://www.walsingham.org.uk/free)




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## 17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR ~ Year B ~ 28/07/24

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Dot Lister (RIP) Peter & Hilda Brooks (Anniversary)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	No Mass	Mass Intentions 
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	1800 (W)	
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	1000 (M)	Maureen Butler (RIP)
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	1800 (W)	People of Both Parishes
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	1800 (W)	Lancashire Infirm Clergy
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	0930 (W)	Holy Souls
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	0930 (W) 1100 (M)	Mgr. George Mooney (RIP) Followed by Confessions during Benediction
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**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
21 <sup>st</sup> July £566.30	160	78 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:** Fr Leonard French, Maureen Johnson, Anthony Lydon, Eddie Clarke, Bernard McNamara, Angela Tomblin, Maria Forbes, Mary Abram, Pat Cullen, Bill Whiteside, Bernard Hewitt, Sybil Marguerite Wright, Margaret Dunne, Jenny Harrison, Ann Bailey, Fr Barney Roney, Frank McAvoy, Frederick Fenlon, Mary Dodd, Elizabeth McCloud

**BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:**

Lily Grace Clarke	28 <sup>th</sup> July 2013	Maisie Marie Bromley	1 <sup>st</sup> August 2021
Louis Harry Pammenter	2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2015	Judith Rose Clarke	3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2014
Lola Grace Challoner	4 <sup>th</sup> August 2013	Isla Rae Peoples	6 <sup>th</sup> August 2017
Reeva Louise Clare	6 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Isabella Lisa Bailey	7 <sup>th</sup> August 2011
George Jacob Wilson	7 <sup>th</sup> August 2011	Archie Peter Fairbrother	7 <sup>th</sup> August 2017
Finley Jay Munton	9 <sup>th</sup> August 2009		

**CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR:** This week we are praying for Fleetwood Methodist Church and the people of Bentham Avenue, Douglas Place, Hathaway Road, London Street, Penrhos Avenue and St Peter's Place with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

**NEW NOTICES**

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

**MEETINGS THIS WEEK:**

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	1830	Reset Training for Welcome Project
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	1830	Fleetwood Churches Together at St Mary's
	1900	Finance Committee in Presbytery
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	1830	Bible Share in Presbytery

**HANDOVER DATE:** On Wednesday, Fr Stephen came over for a visit, and we had a delightful couple of hours. He is really looking forward to coming to Fleetwood. His first Sunday will be 22<sup>nd</sup> September, after a week's handover with me, in which we will be able to visit the schools and have meetings with groups from both parishes.

**RNLI:** There will be a 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service for the RNLI in St Nicholas Church at 2pm this Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> July. All Welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Today, Louis Welch will receive Our Blessed Lord in Holy Communion for the first time. We ask God to bless him and his family and pray he will treasure God's greatest gift for the rest of his life.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS:** Ahead of the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly, Bishop David Evans has spoken about the need for us to value the elderly and recognise the important contribution grandparents make to society. On this *Catholic News* podcast, we discuss how we can use this day, **Sunday 28 July**, as one of thanksgiving and prayer for grandparents and the elderly.

"We might have a rather rosy idea of family life or of the life of older people," says Bishop Evans, our Lead Bishop for Marriage and Family Life. "In fact, they have their difficulties and their burdens. We are able to recognise these, and to think about the social implications of their isolation. It's important we pray for them and recognise that they too are included in God's love for all."

"One thing that strikes me is the love which grandchildren have for their grandparents. We're not asking anything exceptional, for them to take care of their grandparents. Many are doing this already, which is a wonderful thing. But it might just be an opportunity just to do something a bit extra for them on this day, to keep them in our prayers, to think perhaps a bit beyond family members, not just our grandparents, but the older people who might live next door." He adds a further suggestion for social outreach:

"It may be that one or two people are able, with the proper precautions, to visit older people who live nearby or who live in care homes - paying a little visit to make their day a bit better." To listen to this podcast - [The important role grandparents play in a healthy society - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](https://www.cbcew.org.uk)

**FREE YOGA SESSIONS:** Yoga teacher Mick Bald is running free yoga sessions on Thursday Mornings 10.30 - 12 at Fleetwood Library

**DIOCESAN CENTENARY PRAYER CARDS:** The Centenary of the Diocese of Lancaster will commence on **23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024**. Holy Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 10.30am on that day, the Solemnity of Christ the King. The Centenary year will be marked by various celebrations on a Diocesan and more local level and will also serve to help us keep a fruitful Holy Year. The Holy Year itself will open with Holy Mass celebrated at the Cathedral on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024**.

At this stage, in order to help us with prayerful preparation for such a rich year of thanksgiving, a Centenary Prayer Card is being produced which we invite parishioners to take and pray each day running up to Christ the King. My hope is for the card to be ready by the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady, **15<sup>th</sup> August**. From then until the start of the Centenary will be a period of 100 days, a suitable season of preparation.

**CATHOLIC POST:** Is a national Catholic newspaper which circulates good news about what's happening in the Church. To view the front page and info on how to subscribe, click here: <https://www.caspar.news/?NL=1425-35950>

**THE WELCOME PROJECT:** I'm delighted that the Syrian Refugee family we are sponsoring will be arriving in England in early August. It has been a long four years since we first offered to help, and were put back by the outbreak of Covid, but, at long last, we are now able to offer sanctuary to a family devastated by the war. A huge thank you to all Team Leaders and members of the Welcome Project, and to all of you who have supported us.

**PS FROM BRIAN WOOD:** When Thomas Merton was still discerning his priestly vocation, he went on a walking holiday in the hills near his home. One day, when he was walking down a steep hill, he heard the unmistakable sound of a lorry in trouble, the horn being constantly blown as it sped down the hill. It was obvious that the brakes had failed. The lorry disappeared round a bend and when Merton caught up with it. It was upside down in a deep ditch. However, instead of being killed or injured, the driver was standing surveying the wreck, scratching his head, completely unhurt. Merton immediately took out his breviary, sat down by the roadside and recited the 'Te Deum' in thanksgiving for the safe delivery of the driver. Christianity in action! Dear Jesus, please give us all the inspiration to react charitably and well to the circumstances come across in life.