

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING:

King of the Universe, commonly referred to as the Feast of Christ the King is a feast in the liturgical year which emphasises the true kingship of Christ.

The feast is a relatively recent addition to the liturgical calendar, instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI for the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church.. In 1970, its Roman Rite observance was moved from October to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time and thus to the end of the liturgical year. The earliest date on which the

Feast of Christ the King can occur is 20 November and the latest is 26 November. It typically marks the end of Ordinary Time, which continues up until Advent Sunday, the first day of Advent. Let us pray "For the Church, that our belief in Christ as King will lead us to value the things of God's kingdom more than the things of earth."

<u>PS FROM BRIAN WOOD:</u> Sergei Rachmaninoff was a Russian composer, virtuoso pianist and conductor. In 1909, he composed his third piano concerto, and it was so brilliant only he could play it. He played it all over Europe to great acclaim. However, after a while, he suddenly stopped playing it in his concerts. This was because he had come to realize that younger pianists were now playing it better than he could. Accordingly, he immediately retired from playing it. What a wonderful example of humility and his honest ability to recognize musical genius in others. Dear Jesus, we thank you for the skill of all the musicians who keep us entertained and raise our spirits, especially in the long, dark days of winter.

REPEAT NOTICES

MARY, MIRACLES AND CHRISTMAS: Sunday 24th November, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Join us for three Advent Reflections by Deacon Bernard. Focus your minds on the miracles surrounding Christmas. Come and join us for hot drinks, mince pies, and communal time!

This is also in the Millennium Room at St Mary's, entrance via Warren Street.

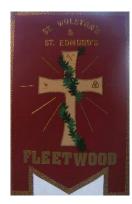
TREACLE TOFFEE & BUTTERSCOTCH: Now on sale until the Christmas Fair, priced £1.

<u>REPOSITORY STALL:</u> Christmas cards are now available as well as Nativity sets and other gifts. Catholic Diaries are also on sale. Please see Maria Doherty for any other items you may require.

THE CHURCH AT CHRISTMAS: We will put the CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEAN back to Monday 16th December, starting at 9.30am so the Church is nice for Christmas and CHURCH DECORATION will happen on Monday 23rd of December starting at 9.30am. We do need volunteers for both. CHURCH DECORATION involves Decorating the WINDOWSILLS, ALTAR FLOWERS, CRIB for the MAIN CHURCH, CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE, CRIB and decoration for the LADY CHAPEL. You could choose what you wanted to do. There is a list at the back of Church so you can put your name down for what you would like to help with. Thank you, we hope to see you on the 16th and 23rd of December.

<u>ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL:</u> Bishop Paul advises us all to write to our local MP to help defeat this bill. <u>lorraine_beavers.mp@parliament.uk</u> There are also preprinted postcards at the back of Church which can be used to lobby our MP.

<u>NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:</u> Please note our parish email address is being changed to come into line with the diocese data protection and cyber security policies. The new email address is stwulstan.fleetwood@lrcd.org.uk the old email address of wulstan1@sky.com will be phased out over



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34th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR ~ Year B ~ 24/11/24 Feast of Christ the King

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Sunday 24 th Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	0900 (W)	People of both parishes
		1100 (M)	Jacqueline Beavers RIP
Monday 25 th		No Mass	
Tuesday 26 th		1800 (W)	Mark Holden RIP
Wednesday 27 th		1000 (M)	Leo Morgan RIP
Thursday 28 th		1800 (W)	Desmond Coxall RIP
Friday 29 th		0930 (W)	Terry McCarron RIP
Saturday 30 th		0930 (W)	Peter Cook RIP
Sunday 1 st Dec	1 st Sunday of Advent	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Margaret Gilmartin's Intentions People of both parishes

SUNDAY MASS IS LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE The Lady Chapel is open every day from 0800-1530 for private prayer.

Confessions during Benediction: Saturday 9.50 - 10.20

CollectionAttendanceWebsite17th November£4713.0014279 Households

Keeping in Touch: X (formerly Twitter) https://twitter.com/ssWulstanEdmund

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/st.wulstansfleetwood/

Instagram: St Wulstan & St Edmund



<u>Please pray for</u>: Fr Tony Walsh and Fr Michael Murphy and all the sick and housebound of our parish family and also those in care or in hospital.

<u>ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:</u> Mary Peel, Fr Bernard Hearty, James Stephens, John Quinn, Gerard Flynn, Doris Moore, Terry McCarron, Catherine Jones, Mary Patricia Airnes, Michael Harding, Tom Farrell, William Priest, Edward Mansell

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

Ciaran James Smith 28th November 2010 Toby John McCrodden-Steele 29th November 2016

<u>CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR:</u> This week we are praying for St Wulstan's & St Edmund's Parish and the people of Brentwood, Enterprise Way, Honister Close, Maple Avenue, Quayside and the Crescent with the prayer: **May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes**.

NEW NOTICES

CHRISTMAS FAIR - Sat. 30th Nov.

- We ask for donations for the bottle tombola and gift tombola. Items can be left at the back of church at any time.
- Cakes for the cake stall will be very welcome on the morning of the Fair.
- > Help is still needed for the Prize Tombola.



<u>HELPING HANDS:</u> Our parishioners generously support the work of this group, in the same way as they previously did for the SVP society, by putting their donation in the 'Helping Hands' box at the back of church on a weekly basis. Over the last 18 months we have been able to support many families and individuals; providing school uniform and shoes for pupils, Christmas gifts, financial assistance for a college student, spectacles for a young person, help with transport etc.

Please continue to support this good cause especially at this time of the year when many people find it financially difficult. Thank you for your generosity.

THANK YOU: When I fell on a Pilgrimage to Rome and broke my shoulder so badly that it needed to be operated on, I was overwhelmed with the kindness of so many people from St. Wulstan's, who gave me practical help and support, who prayed for me, and who brought me flowers and gifts to cheer me up. It made a difficult time bearable. My arm is slowly getting better, and I want to give my thanks to everyone who helped me. I will not forget the kindness shown to me.

From Margaret (Peggy) Parkinson.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE: There will be a meeting in the Green Hut at 6.30 pm on Thursday 5th December for anyone interested in next year's Parish Pilgrimage to Greece in the footsteps of St Paul. The main item, apart from the schedule will be to decide the dates we'd like to go. Twenty people have indicated interest so far. All welcome. Fr Alf.

NEW MASS TIMETABLE: Please note from the 1st Dec there will be a new style joint newsletter for both St Mary's and St Wulstan's and St Edmund's. Also, Mass times for both parishes have been modified such that the Tuesday evening Mass will be at St Marys at 7pm and the Saturday morning Mass will alternate between St Mary's and St Wulstan's. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for these changes.

FR ALF PARKER'S FUNERAL: This will take place at 11.30 on Friday 29th November at Boarbank. Fr. Alf has space in his car if anyone wants to travel with him.

LANCASTER DIOCESE CENTENARY YEAR: As part of the launch of the centenary year of our Diocese the Cathedral will be holding the Forty Hours exposition from Thursday 21st November until Saturday 23rd November. The particular intention of this period of prayer will be in thanksgiving for the mission of the Diocese over the last hundred years and seeking God's help for the years to come. The hours of exposition will be as follows: Thursday 21st November 4pm-12 Midnight, Friday 22nd November 5am-12 Midnight and Saturday 23rd November 5am-6pm (when the exposition will conclude with Benediction)

On the afternoon of Sunday 24th November (the opening day of the Centenary year) the Bishop will celebrate Vespers (Evening Prayer) of Christ the King followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 4pm in the Cathedral. During Benediction the Te Deum will be sung in thanksgiving for all the graces bestowed on the Diocese by God during the last century.

ADVENT RETREAT (AGE 15 TO YOUNG ADULTS) AT CASTLERIGG MANOR:

Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11^{th} at Midday. The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun and they usually prove very popular. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch. Further details

- <u>director@castleriggmanor.co.uk</u>. Sign up at castleriggmanor.com >> what's coming up

HEALTHIER FLEETWOOD NEWS:

✓ This weekend Wyre Council is offering the chance to pick up a FREE tree to plant at home or in a community space. This marks the start of National Tree Week, and the launch of the Council's new climate change strategy and action plan.

The event is at Wyre Estuary Country Park on Saturday 23rd November, 10am to 1pm and you do need to pre-register.

> Full details and registration is on the Wyre Council website here

Fleetwood Youth Hub hosts a FREE workshop and talk for young people and their parent/carers on the issues around knife crime, 5pm on Monday 25th November.

The workshop is delivered by anti-knife crime advocate Byron from **The JJ Effect** and focuses on the issues surrounding knife crime, such as social media, fashion and music. Byron shares how



innocently it all begins and where it can end. This isn't about gang culture, it's about young people becoming involved in situations and recognising it as early as possible.

The session is suitable for secondary school-age children 11+ and up to 25 years and supported by Fleetwood Town Community Trust and Connectiverse.

Registration is essential and parent/carers must complete the form within registration for young people to attend.

> Further information and the parental consent waiver for a young person to attend is available online here

