



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1ST DEC 2024



Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Location		Intention/Details
Sunday 1 st Dec 24	9:00am	St Wulstan's	1 st SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Margaret Gilmartin's intentions
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of both parishes
Monday 2 nd Dec	<i>No Mass today</i>			
Tuesday 3 rd Dec	7:00pm	St Mary's	St Francis Xavier	Mary Caroline Owens
Wednesday 4 th Dec	10:00am	St Mary's		Keith Harrison RIP
Thursday 5 th Dec	6:00pm	St Wulstan's		Conversion in our families
Friday 6 th Dec	9:30am	St Wulstan's		Caroline Chisnall RIP
Saturday 7 th Dec	10:00am	St Mary's	St Ambrose	Deceased members of the Wright and Casey families
Sunday 8 th Dec	9:00am	St Wulstan's	2 nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Stan Campy RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of both parishes

Service Schedule

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE Friday 6th December at 7pm, St Wulstan's Church: This year the Advent reconciliation service will be held at St Wulstan's church. There is no better way to prepare ourselves for the birth of our Lord at Christmas than through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Here we come before Jesus asking for a renewal of our relationship with him, receiving his mercy, forgiveness and the grace of perseverance and joy for the journey. All are welcome, there will be a number of priests on hand for confessions.



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF FLEETWOOD
ST MARY'S
ST WULSTAN AND ST EDMUND'S



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DIOCESAN CENTENARY BALL: To celebrate the Centenary of our Diocese, there is to be a ball which will be held on January 3rd, 2025, at The Villa at Levens, Brettagh Holt. For more details, please see the poster.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: There will be a special collection in both parishes this Sunday for the Diocesan Poor Mission fund.

FLEETWOOD CHURCHES TOGETHER ADVENT SERVICE: At St Peters Anglican Church, Sunday 1st Dec 6:30pm all are welcome as we gather as a Christian community at the beginning of our Advent Journey.

ADVENT RETREAT CASTLERIGG: Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11th at Midday the retreat is planned for the weekend of Dec 13-15th. The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens age 15+ 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 email director@castleriggmanor.co.uk. Sign up at www.castleriggmanor.com.

FLEETWOOD AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY: Will present a concert on Saturday 7th Dec at St Johns Church, Little Thornton at 7:30pm. The program includes Handel's Messiah(Part 1), Schubert Mass in G and the Mozart Te Deum. Tickets £12, available at the door or from choir members.

FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR THE FOODBANK: The Dream Team Singers present A Christmas Miracle in aid of The Pantry Foodbank at The Green Hut at 2pm on Sunday 15th Dec2024. There will be refreshments, cakes and a raffle all for an entrance fee of only £5.

1st Sunday of Advent: We begin the season of Advent today! We light the first candle on our advent wreaths at Mass, and in our homes and workplaces. On our wreath the candle is purple, which symbolizes prayer, penance and sacrifice. Advent is a period of waiting, like Lent. We are called to obtain the Sacrament of Reconciliation, to pray and fast, as we await the arrival of our Savior. We work to greet Him with a soul free from sin, and with joyous feasting. Let us begin our period of preparation now. For reflection, let us consider how we will prepare for His Nativity. What extra time may we spend in prayer and contemplation? How soon can we obtain the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Let us begin preparation for the coming of Our Lord!

NEW MASS TIMETABLE: Please note the new Mass times and locations will commence this week. Tuesday evening Mass will now take place at St Mary's at 7pm. The Saturday morning Masses will alternate between St Wulstan's and St Mary's. For all Mass and service times please see the back page of the newsletter.

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR: This week we are praying for St Paul's Free Church and the people of Broadway, Fairfield Court, Jameson Road, Mariners Close, Rhyl Street and The Ridgeway with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

CANON ROBERT HORN: We are saddened by the death of Canon Robert Horn. He died yesterday (Sunday 24th November at 3pm) on the Feast of Christ the King. May he rest in peace. Canon Robert was cared for at the Stella Matutina Care Home in Lytham St Annes over the last few months, as his health declined. Our prayers are with Canon Robert's family and friends at this time. Details of his Requiem Mass will be sent out in due course.

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ST MARY'S NOTICES



St. Mary's Church will be open from 09:30 to 1pm on weekdays.

Previous Mass attendance 11am Mass: 108 - Facebook: 49

<p>Christmas Concert – Park Community Brass Band, along with St. Mary's Music Group, will be playing Christmas music in St. Mary's Church at 6pm. on Monday 2nd December. There will be a raffle, but entry is free, no ticket needed.</p>	<p>Readers: 8th December 11.00a.m. Mass: Judith Eucharistic Ministers: 11.00a.m. Mass: Peter & Kath Children's Liturgy: Jackie & Maureen</p>	
<p>Church cleaning – St. Mary's – 12:30, Saturday 14th December, St.Wulstan's – Monday 16th December 09:30</p>		
<p>Lancaster Diocese Centenary – To celebrate the centenary of our Diocese a group from the Deanery Pastoral Council suggested we celebrate Mass around the Deanery and concentrate on the sacraments. They will be on Friday evenings, separated by about two months. The second will be at St. Wulstan's at 7pm on Friday 24th January – "Sacrament of Marriage". There will be a poster in the porch.</p>	<p>Those who have recently died: Peter Holden, Fr. Bob Horn, Paul Jackson, Canon Tim Sullivan</p>	
<p>Parish Pastoral Council would like to receive your thoughts on any subject concerning St. Mary's. Please speak with a Council Member Next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting –TBC- Council Members: Fr. Stephen Talbutt, Deacon Bernard Farrell-Roberts, Peter Connor, Steve Dale, Anne Duxbury, Judith Halloran, Steve Price, Sammy Ranasinghe</p>	<p>Please pray for those whose Anniversaries are about this time: Ada Greer, Margaret Fishwick, Mary Hartley, Gladys Maiden, Alan Tipping, Elizabeth Clarkson, Brian Hearty, Frank Turner, Flo Flood, Margaret McGuirk, Teresa Drake, Billy Baldwin, Norah Heaney, Marie Witter, Elizabeth Novo, Bernard Javens, Muriel Bamber, Bill Cossey, Peter Irving, Thomas Morgan, Henry Buckley</p>	
<p>Please pray for the sick of our parish: Charlie Andrews, Audrey Armour, Zephan Barretto, Vera Berry, Louise Cantrell, Catalina Carreddu, Greta Carus, Janice Chadwick, Fred Chew, Patsy Coll, Kathryn Dale, Marianne Delaney, Sarah Finley, Jacob Gray, Fr. Leo Heakin, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Christina Jones, Liam Edward Lenihan, Alison Lyons, Fr. Michael Murphy, Michael O'Sullivan, Irene Rankine, Margaret Riches, Mary Schon, Allen Steen, Mark Surelock, Frank Ward, David Wilkinson, Fred & Mary Wylie, Nan Lusia</p>	<p>Christmas Concert: Monday 2nd December 6pm. Come and join us at St Mary's Church for a concert of Christmas music. Both Park Community brass band and St Marys music group will be providing the music. Free entry and all are welcome.</p>	
	<p>Weekly Collection: Candles: Church Flowers: St Anthony</p>	<p>£353.10 £57.67 £16.28 £11.00</p>



ST WULSTAN & ST EDMUND NOTICES



*St. Wulstan's Church side chapel will be open from 08:30 to 4pm on weekdays.
(Access from the side of the church)*

Previous Mass attendance 9 am Mass 24th November : 131

Website : 97

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Margaret Lydon, Dorothy Gradwell, Fr Leo Cafferty, Alan Frazer, Terry Roney, Jack Price, Nora McLellin, Teresa Mansell, Molly Holford, Rose Lewis,

REPOSITORY STALL:
A good selection of Christmas cards is 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.

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:
Levi Jay Rawcliffe 2nd December 2012
Daemon Alfie Cartrell 5th December 2010
William Bowker -Harvey 6th December 2009

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.

BONUS BALL WINNERS:
23rd November - No. 56 - No one has that number.

Weekly Collection £506.60

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.

HELPING HANDS:
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.

PS FROM BRIAN WOOD: My senior colleague had spent many years in the Royal Navy and had reached the rank of Chief Petty Officer. He told us of one occasion when his destroyer was preparing to tie up at a buoy just off Plymouth. There was a gale blowing and the sea was very rough. The first part of the operation was placing on the buoy the man who would do the tying up. He was called the buoy jumper. It took quite a few efforts to get him onto the buoy but eventually they managed it safely and the ship was secured. They then successfully retrieved the buoy jumper. At that point, they received a signal from the Admiral who had been watching from his balcony high up the hillside. The signal said simply " Too sloppy.....cast off.....do it again." They had to go through the whole rigmarole again. How pleased they all were! Dear Jesus, we thank you for all those who spend their lives keeping us safe. Please keep them safe too.

GOOD NEWS FROM HEALTHIER FLEETWOOD: December is just around the corner, and we are delighted to announce the launch of our Community Advent Calendar for 2024.

Every day in run-up to Christmas we'll bring you an individual, charity, voluntary group or organisation making a difference in and around Fleetwood. It's a chance to find out more about their work, how to get involved and to say thank you. We'll include links to their social media, website as appropriate and display a poster in our Lord St windows. There's already some amazing people and groups lined up, but we'd also love to hear your suggestions. Please contact us through Facebook messenger or email to listening@healthierfleetwood.co.uk with the name of the person/group and why you think they should be celebrated.

For more good news and other information from Healthier Fleetwood - [Good News | Healthier Fleetwood](#)

