

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

### 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LINISFARNE: As part of the Diocesan celebrations of the Centenary, Bishop Paul will be leading a pilgrimage from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May to the sites associated with St Cuthbert, co-patron of our Diocese. The three-day pilgrimage will take in Holy Island and Bamburgh and Durham Cathedral, and we will be staying at the historic former seminary of the North of England, Ushaw College. The cost of the pilgrimage is £310 for shared accommodation and £340 for single rooms, all inclusive, with coach pick-ups at Workington and Carlisle. Please email info@christ-the-good-shepherd.co.uk to request a booking form.

**YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME:** Next Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> March) we will host an appeal from a group of young Catholics from the diocese of Lancaster who are making a pilgrimage for the Jubilee year in Rome. This jubilee only occurs every 25 years. Pope Francis has called it the year of hope! This pilgrimage will be a precious time where our young people can have a real encounter with Jesus Christ. With everything included the costs can be quite high for each pilgrim, and most of them do not work. They will be here to sell candles and other items in hope to raise some money for the young people going. We ask for your generosity in this time. They will pray for us as they go!

**DYING MATTERS WORKSHOP:** Fleetwood Churches together are organising a workshop looking at how we support those coming to the end of life. The workshop will be help on Wednesday the 2<sup>nd of</sup> April from 3-6pm in the jubilee room at St Nicholas Church, Poulton Rd. All welcome, no reservation necessary.

**RELICS OF ST ANDREW, ST MARGARET OF SCOTLAND AND ST COLUMBA:** will rest at St John Vianney Church from Noon on Feb 25<sup>th</sup> until the 26th. Details of liturgical events are on the poster displayed in church. Info

From: guardianangels.blackpool@lrcd.org.uk

#### **CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR:**

This week we are praying for St Wulstan's & St Edmund's Parish and the people of Albert Square, Cedar Avenue, Forshaw Close, Freeport Village, Knowsley Gate, Middleton Avenue, Rowntree Avenue and Wensley Avenue with the prayer:

May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.

#### **SYNOD ON SYNODALITY – WHAT NEXT?**

The Final Report can be accessed online by searching for: "Synod on Synodality: Final Report". The report is 65 pages long and worth reading. However, if you would like to know what is in the report in simple terms, please come along to some more presentation sessions to reflect on the report and on how we take it forward as we start the "implementation phase". The sessions will be last approximately one hour and will be held on Wednesdays 26th February @ 7.00 pm at English Martyrs Hall, Hardhorn, Poulton-le-Fylde (opposite the Miller & Carter pub) and will last approximately one hour. ALL WELCOME.

Household Support Fund — People in the community struggling to pay for essentials this winter can now apply for Household Support Funding from Wyre Council. Wyre residents can make an application now, using the online form on the Wyre Council website at <a href="www.wyre.gov.uk/householdsupport">www.wyre.gov.uk/householdsupport</a>. The closing date is 31 March 2025. Eligible residents are encouraged to seek support early before funds run out

**DIACONATE:** Deacon Bernard spoke about vocations to the permanent diaconate after Mass today. If you are interested in this important ministry in the church please contact Bernard on his number below or speak to Fr Stephen.

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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 11 am Mass 16 <sup>th</sup> February : 113 Facebook : 74   |   |  |  |  |  |
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| Holy Communion Programme  A Holy Communion programme will be starting soon for those in Year 3 and above,  Please let Fr. Stephen know if there is anyone wishing to start this programme. There are application forms available from the sacristy.   | Movie Night in the Presbytery  Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 6pm.  LOVE AND MERCY: FAUSTINA  A docudrama on the Divine Mercy and the mission of St. Faustina. To book a place phone 07858496951 or add your name to the list at the back of church. Food will be   |  |  |  |  |
| Council Members: Fr. Stephen Talbutt, Deacon Bernard Farrell-Roberts, Peter Connor, Steve Dale, Anne Duxbury, Judith Halloran, Lindsay Newton, Steve Price and Sammy Ranasinghe.  Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed on Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2025 at 3pm at St. Mary's Church. ALL WELCOME  Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish: POPE FRANCIS, 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, Fr. Andrew from St. Peter's, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Christina Jones, Liam | Please pray for those whose Anniversaries are about this time: Victor Skitterall, Monica Lang, Joe Barber, Rene Millett, Rose Fallon, Robert Presnail, Bert Barrowclough, Margaret Pinder, Kenneth Abram, William Wilson, Winifred Wright, Francis Hodskinson, Helen Cumpsty, Alice Mc Auley, Margaret Lennox, John Feeney, Ellen Acton, Veronica Snasdell, Joan Wallbank, Alan Helsby, David Johnstone  World Day of Prayer  St. Peter's Church  Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March at 2pm.  Poster in the Porch  Weekly Collection: £289.34 |  |  |  |  |
| Edward Lenihan, Alison Lyons, Fr. Michael Murphy, Michael O'Sullivan, Irene Rankine, Mary Schon, Marie Slater, Mark Surelock, Frank Ward, David Wilkinson, Fred & Mary Wylie, Nan Lusia  Those who have died recently:  Josephine Kennedy, Derek Grainger, Monica Agnes Brooks  THANKS: from Anne D To Peter for checking the kneelers are secure in the Church.  | Candles: £54.74 Church Flowers: £ St Anthony £ Restoration Fund: £17.65 World Needy £16.31  |  |  |  |  |



## ST WULSTAN & ST EDMUND NOTICES



St. Wulstan's Church Lady Chapel will be open from 8.30am to 4pm on weekdays. (Access from the side of the church)

| Previous Mass attendance 9 am Mass 9 <sup>th</sup> February : 131 Website : 96   |                        |  |  |  |  |
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| ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Anthony Cossey, Frank Dillon, Anne Monaghan, Pat Worthington, Mary Clarke, Christine Beesley, Kath Corrigan, Alice Ashcroft, Michael Cosgrove,                                      |                        | SUNDAY MISSALS - REPOSITORY: Several parishioners have requested copies of the new Sunday missals, and I am pleased to say some have arrived. More can be ordered if required. Please see Maria Doherty. |  |  |  |
| HOLY COMMUNION and RCIA PROGRAMMES: Our RCIA and Holy Communion programs have now started. Please keep all those embarking on these courses in your prayers as they start this significant journey of faith. |                        | REQUIEM MASS FOR CHARLOTTE O'HALLORAN: This will take place on Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March at 11am. Her body will be received into church at 6pm on Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> .                           |  |  |  |
| Weekly Collection  | 26th January - £467.40 | BONUS BALL WINNERS:<br>15 <sup>th</sup> Feb - Chris Lupton - Ball number 1   |  |  |  |

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** As you know, we have been involved in providing food and welcome for those in need in Fleetwood for the last 15 years through the food bank founded by our SVP and now operating from the pantry in the old hospital, in partnership with our Church of England friends from St Peter's & St David's.

If you would like to become a volunteer helping us to feed up to 200 people each week, we would really welcome your help, which can be given in various ways, either up front or in the background, e.g. welcoming and serving our clients or sorting out of stock and making up small bags or collecting donations of food and purchases from supermarkets. You can decide how many hours you work or could even sign up as a 'reservist' volunteer, i.e. someone who can be called on when one of our regulars is ill or able to attend.

If you feel you can give some time to help, please let our Manager Mike Smith or Fr Alf know after Mass, and we will take it from there. Thank you.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL: A successful and informative meeting was held last week discussing this proposed bill. A letter opposing the bill has been produced and is on display at the back of church. There is also a signup form to complete which will be submitted to our local MP expressing our concern and opposition to this bill becoming law. Please take the time to sign the form before we submit it along with the letter.



#### FULL SCHOOL MASS:

This Friday (28<sup>th</sup>) we will celebrate a full school Mass as the centenary statue of Our Lady of Lourdes will be passed from Cardinal Allen Catholic High School to St Wulstan's school.

Mass will start slightly earlier at 9:15am.

PS FROM BRIAN WOOD: In the late 1950's, a group of us was invited by Father Herbert Cockett SM to go to the boarding school run by the Marist Fathers near Exeter. We could have a free summer holiday provided we spent each morning painting and doing other maintenance jobs. We did this for several summers. On one occasion, on a very hot day, Frank Cockett, Father Cockett's brother, had been mowing the very large lawn with the motor mower. He finished the mowing but the hand control stuck and he couldn't stop the thing. He was going round and round in circles at high speed, and it was only after about twenty minutes that it ran out of petrol and ground to a halt. Frank was exhausted and dripping with sweat. At that point, a window high up in the house was flung open and Father Cockett shouted, "Slacking again Frank?" much to everyone's great amusement! They were very happy and memorable times for all of us. Dear Jesus, please give eternal rest to Father Cockett and Frank and let them rest in peace. Amen.



Please pray for all the sick and housebound of our parish family and also those in care or in hospital.



## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. FEB 23<sup>RD</sup> - 2025



### **Mass Schedule**

| Date                          | Time          | Location        |  | Intention/Details         |  |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------|--|
|                               | 9:00am        | St Wulstan's    | 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in<br>Ordinary time | People of both parishes   |  |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb      |               |                 |  | Bernard Hearty and the    |  |
|                               | 11:00am       | St Mary's       |  | crew of the St Merisia 85 |  |
|                               |               |                 |  | years since lost at sea.  |  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb      | No Mass       |                 |  |                           |  |
| Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb     | 7:00pm        | St Mary's       |  | Dot Lister RIP            |  |
| Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb      | 10:00am       | St Mary's       |  | Margaret Gilmartin        |  |
| Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb    | 6:00pm        | St Wulstan's    |  | Ethna and Michael Quinn   |  |
| Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb      | <u>9:15am</u> | St Wulstan's    | Full School<br>Mass                        | Charlotte O'Halloran RIP  |  |
| Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar       | 10:00am       | St Mary's       | St David                                   | Clare Thomas              |  |
| Sunday<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar | 9:00am        | St Wulstan's    | 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in<br>Ordinary time | People of Both Parishes   |  |
|                               | 11:00am       | :00am St Mary's |  | Silver Wedding            |  |
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### **Service Schedule**

#### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

• Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 10:30 – 11:15am at St Mary's Church with Confessions after Mass.

#### **MEETINGS:**

• Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 19:00 Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults in St Wulstan's Presbytery.

#### **FUNERALS:**

• Derek Grainger's funeral service will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 10:00am at St Mary's may he rest in peace.