



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



3rd August 2025 – 18th Sunday of Ordinary time

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

In September we will be starting a new course for those wishing to become Catholic. If you are interested or know of anyone who would like to explore what it is to be a Roman Catholic Christian, please speak to Fr Stephen to register.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Preparations are well underway to start the confirmation preparation programme in September. If you know of anyone young or old who are baptised and have not been Confirmed but would like to receive this sacrament please speak to Fr Stephen.

Once the course has started we will not be able to have any late enrolments.

MOVING FORWARD: At our last Deanery Conference many issues came up about the reality of where we are today - lack of priests, empty church buildings, merging of parishes etc, all the things people have been talking about for some time. As a Deanery, we decided to do something about it, rather than wait to see what happens. The result was for each priest to hold three open-ended parish meetings, in which everyone has the opportunity to put their thoughts and ideas forward, followed by a full Deanery meeting, open to everyone, on 15th November, facilitated by Dr Vron Smith from the Jesuit Institute, Hexham and Newcastle, with whom Fr Peter Sharrock, our Dean, Sr Philomena and Fr Alf met recently. St John's Poulton and Guardian Angels, Blackpool, have already begun. This Sunday, at Mass, in our own parishes, Fr Alf will give the talk he gave at Guardian Angels, as a background to initiate the conversation. Each priest has been provided with relevant bullet points for the parish discussions. Notes will be taken in each parish and forwarded to Dr Smith in preparation for the big meeting in November. Hopefully, as many parishioners as possible will come to the meetings and lend their fruitful ideas for the way ahead. Details of meetings to follow.

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 in their homes.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AND BLESSING OF GRAVES:

Fr Alf will be celebrating the annual Mass in the cemetery for the deceased members of our Fleetwood parishes.

The Mass will take place at 11am next Saturday 9th August in Fleetwood cemetery.

After the Mass there will be the opportunity to have the grave of your loved one blessed.

If the weather is inclement Mass will be celebrated in St Wulstan's at the same time.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT

at St Wulstan's - **Friday 3rd October** (Details to follow)

DEANERY QUIZ NIGHT – St Kentigern's Parish Centre, Newton Drive, Blackpool. Friday 26th Sept 8.30pm. Cost, £10 per team (5 players max.) Light refreshments served during the interval. Fully stocked bar.

Please email office@ctkstents.org.uk to confirm team attendance and numbers.

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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 – 90 Facebook – -

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries are about this time: Elizabeth Coupland. Tom Byrne, Mary Powell, Josie Wareing, Kathleen Johnstone, Francis Rogerson, Patrick Leonard, Sarah Wilkinson, Kathleen Richardson, Pauline Gerrity, Mavis Preston, Mary Marsland

Divine Mercy Chaplet
will be prayed on
Saturday 2nd August at 3pm. in
St. Mary's Church

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**The next meeting of the Council will take place on
Wednesday 3rd September**

Council Members: Fr. Stephen Talbutt, Deacon
Bernard Farrell-Roberts, Peter Connor, Steve Dale,
Anne Duxbury, Judith Halloran, Lindsay Newton, Steve
Price and Sammy Ranasinghe

**Do you have any ideas / thoughts you wish to raise
with the Council?**

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Weekly Collection: £304.67

Candles: £103.56

Church Flowers: £

St Anthony: £5.04

Restoration Fund: £11.78

World Needy: £14.00

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our parish, Charlie Andrews, Audrey Armour, Zephania Barretto, Vera Berry, Louise Cantrell, Catalina Carredu, Greta Carus, Janice Chadwick, Fred Chew, Patsy Coll, Kathryn Dale, Marianne Delaney, Sarah Finley, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Christina Jones, Liam Edward Lenihan, Alison Lyons, Les Morris, Fr. Michael Murphy, Michael O'Sullivan, Irene Rankine, Mary Schon, Peter Scott, Scott and Dale Families, Marie Slater, Mark Surelock, Jacqueline Wilding, Frank Ward, David Wilkinson, Fred & Mary Wylie, Nan Lusia

Those who have died recently: Kathleen Regan, Rae Tolan

READER: 10th August

11.00am Mass: Judith

Eucharistic Ministers: Peter and Jackie

Children's Liturgy: NONE

Tea and Coffee after Sunday Mass

We currently need more help with the serving of tea and coffee after the Sunday Mass. Please speak to Fr. Stephen or one of the volunteers if you would like to help in this great ministry. Please join us for tea/coffee, biscuits and a chat after Mass in the Millennium Room. It's a great way to get to know each other and build our community.



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 126		Website : 83
BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES: Lola Grace Challoner 4 th August 2013 Isla Rae Peoples 6 th August 2017 Reeva Louise Clare 6 th August 2023 Isabella Lisa Bailey 7 th August 2011 George Jacob Wilson 7 th August 2011 Archie Peter Fairbrother 7 th August 2016 Finley Jay Munton 9 th August 2009		ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Sybil Marguerite Wright, Margaret Dunne, Jenny Harrison, Ann Bailey, Fr Barney Roney, Frank McAvoy, Frederick Fenlon, Mary Dodd, Elizabeth McCloud
Weekly Collection	£ 513.20	CENTENARY OF OUR PARISH: In February 2026, we will celebrate one hundred years of our Parish, St Wulstan's and St Edmund's. We are putting together a booklet to commemorate the event and would be grateful for any photos from your "family archives", details regarding Parish/family celebrations, personal anecdotes etc., etc. Please speak to either Glenda (Kelly) or Sandra (Witton) if you have any contributions / thoughts / ideas. Many thanks in anticipation.
WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL: I Just wanted to share a few memories from the We Believe Festival last weekend. It was such a nourishing experience. The bishops and priests were all so fun. We loved their stories. And we loved to study Lectio Divina each morning with the Sisters of Mary Morning Star. Camping was an adventure too. We met lots of lovely folk. There were loads of big families. St Mary's Seminary was the perfect place to hold it. The chapel was exquisite and the music divine. We experienced many different masses and services including Ukrainian, Latin, Syro Malabar Eparchy. There was a Healing Service, with the monstrance brought to each of us. That was really powerful. The Franciscan Friars held morning prayers. And Compline with the Dominican Sisters was beautiful. Mass was held in a big circus tent too. It was so cool! I got emotional knowing that hundreds of people were receiving Eucharist. It was blissful. And confessions, during the reconciliation services were outdoors, around the grounds. Loved this. Everywhere I looked, all weekend, people were receiving blessings from the Holy Spirit. Holly		Bonus ball winners for 26 July were Maria Doherty and Sheila Young with number 18
		GIFT AID: If you make offerings to the parish, pay income tax and have not signed up to Gift Aid your donations, please consider doing so. We can claim an extra 25% on your donations - at no cost to you! Please see Maria D. for more info
		REPOSITORY: We have a wide range of cards for many occasions as well as gifts and religious items. A new stock of rosary beads has just arrived. Please contact Maria Doherty if there is something you would like as it is impossible to stock all items available.
NEWS FROM HEALTHIER FLEETWOOD		
On Friday 1st August , the new Bike Repair Workshop at Marine Hall, Fleetwood is hosting FREE pedal-powered fun, learning, and adventure! The day includes ... E-Bike Led Ride - Glide through the day with a guided ride on an electric bike. Perfect for beginners or anyone curious about e-bikes! Bike Maintenance Course - Learn how to keep your bike in top shape with hands-on tips and tricks from the pros. Try a Bike - Never ridden before? No problem! Test out a range of bikes in a relaxed, friendly setting. Dr Bike - Bring your bike for a FREE health check and minor repairs by expert mechanics.		
Summer Events throughout July & August at Affinity Lancashire There's Crazy Golf, Super Heroes, Gorillas, Dinosaurs, A Wicked Weekend, Seaside Fun, Magic and more at Affinity. Something for all the family and all FREE! > Visit the Affinity website for more info And .. a reminder that the next Healthier Fleetwood Open Meeting is a week today, Wednesday 6th August from 6.30pm at Emmanuel Mount Church . All welcome to join the conversations or to listen ... updates on the many groups and events in the local community and a chance to make suggestions for something new. Doors at 6pm for a brew, we usually finish around 8.30pm - no need to book, just turn up and enjoy the evening.		



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3RD AUGUST - 2025



Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Location		Intention/Details
Sun 3 rd August	9:00am	St Wulstan's	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Stan Campy RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of both parishes
Mon 4 th Aug	No Mass			
Tue 5 th Aug	7:00pm	St Mary's		Kate Sherlock
Wed 6 th Aug	10:00am	St Mary's	The Transfiguration of the Lord	Special Birthday Wishes
Thurs 7 th Aug	6:00pm	St Wulstan's	St Edmund Arrowsmith, St Ambrose Barlow and Companions, Lancaster Martyrs	Special Intention (JC)
Fri 8 th Aug	9:30am	St Wulstan's	St Dominic	Murial Winifrid Holliday RIP
Sat 9th Aug	11:00am	Fleetwood Cemetery	St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	Deceased of both parishes
Sun 10 th Aug	9:00am	St Wulstan's	19 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Mike Woodcock RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of both parishes

Service Schedule

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

- Due to the Mass for deceased in the cemetery there will be no adoration on Saturday this week.