

SUDAN CRISIS: CAFOD have asked for help with an emergency appeal as famine looms once again. There will be a basket at the back of church for those who would like to contribute. For more details - [CAFOD - Catholic international development charity](#)



NEWS FROM HEALTHIER FLEETWOOD:

A reminder that it's our next Healthier Fleetwood Open Meeting a week today on Wednesday 1st May, 6.30pm at Emmanuel Church.

SIGN LANGUAGE COURSES: Anyone interested in finding out more about signing, perhaps to support their role within a group, is invited to consider an online training opportunity with **Lancashire Adult Learning**. There's two FREE sessions coming up next month offering more about deaf awareness, the struggles of communicating in a hearing world and introductory phrases in BSL (British Sign Language) with guidance on how to learn more independently. Dates and times are Tuesday 7th May 10am to 11.30am and Wednesday 8th May 6pm to 7.30pm - [see the information and booking links on the website here](#). These courses are free for anyone living in Lancashire and over the age of 19 years. Places are limited and you do need to register on the site first which can take a few minutes to complete but then you are registered for other courses in the future.

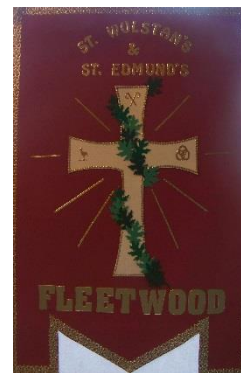
PS FROM BRIAN WOOD: When I was training to be a Probation Officer at Leeds University, we had lectures from Doctor Markillie, an eminent Consultant Psychiatrist and Lecturer in Psychiatry at Leeds University Medical School. He lectured us about many of the psychiatric elements involved in criminality. One of his lectures was all about theft. He talked about schizophrenia, hebephrenia and many other complicated psychiatric conditions which could be involved in theft. What he said was fascinating and we all took copious notes. At the end of what had been a wonderful and instructive lecture, he got up and made his way to the door. He opened it but instead of going out, he turned back towards us, smiled and said "Oh by the way, I forgot to mention..... some people steal because they want something for nothing." Then he left! Dear Jesus, please give eternal rest to Doctor Markillie and let him rest in peace. Amen.

REPEAT NOTICES

A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER: With the general election on the horizon, CAFOD and the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) will be jointly inviting parishes and individuals to reach out to local candidates to find out about their views on some important issues - and express our views too. For resources, more info or to sign up to join a training session, go to cafod.org.uk/encounter. The online training sessions for all are on Thursday 25 April (6:30-8:30pm) and Saturday 4 May (11am-1pm).

CHURCH CLEANING: A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Church cleaning and decoration over Easter. Because the first Monday in May will be a Bank Holiday, it will be better if the Church is cleaned on Monday, 29th of April, so if anyone can spare some time then to help, that would be great. The Church will be open from 9.30am, please come in by the Choir door. Thank you.

VOTIVE CANDLES: The sacristans have asked for donations of votive candles as our stocks are getting low. Thank you in anticipation.



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ Year B ~ 28/04/24

Sunday 28 th	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Maureen Butler (RIP) Mary & Raymond Madej
Monday 29 th	No Mass	
Tuesday 30 th	1800 (W)	Peter Cusack (seriously ill)
Wednesday 1 st	1000 (M)	Vivien Kloszek (Anniversary)
Thursday 2 nd	1800 (W)	Rita McGuire & family
Friday 3 rd	0930 (W)	STS. PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES Dot Lister (RIP)
Saturday 4 th	0930 (W)	People of both parishes
Sunday 5 th	0900 (W) 1100 (M)	Anne Blyth (RIP) John Dauville



SUNDAY MASS IS LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE

The Lady Chapel is open every day from 0800-1700 for private prayer.

Confessions : Saturday 9.50 - 10.20

Collection	Attendance	Website
21 st April £508.30	155	153 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: Mary Hayhurst, Maureen Scott, Susannah Bamforth, Ronald James Beesley, Pat Wlson, Joseph Moyle, William Williams

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:

Jack Phillip Bowker	28 th April 2013	Florence Rose Parry-Jones	29 th April 2018
Maisy Rose McDaid	1 st May 2011	Bella Olivia Roskell	1 st May 2016
Michael Bond-Benson	2 nd May 2010	Katie Mai Tebay	4 th May 2014

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR: This week we are praying for St Nicholas Church and the people of Arndale Close, Crake avenue, Croft Court, Greendale Close, Larkholme Parade, Navigation Way, Shap Court and Windermere Avenue with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

BONUS BALL WINNER: 20th April - No 32 - Steve Doherty

BENEDICTION: Since we no longer have Wednesday morning Mass and Holy Half Hour at St Wulstan's, people have asked if we can now have the full Benediction after the Holy Half Hour on Saturdays, rather than the simple blessing. With this in mind, I have produced an Order of Service for those who would like to avail themselves of this very special time in front of the Blessed Sacrament expose. All welcome.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 30 th	1400	Deanery Centenary Meeting in Presbytery
Thursday 2 nd	1830	Bible Share in Presbytery
Saturday 4 th	1030	Prayer & Share in Presbytery

DATE FOR THE DIARY - FRIDAY 7th JUNE:

Charity event to celebrate D-Day 80th Anniversary - St Kentigern's Parish Centre, 7-11pm. Step back in time to June 1944 and immerse yourself in the atmosphere of the 1940s at our D-Day 80th Anniversary Charity Night! Join us for an unforgettable evening filled with music, nostalgia, and tribute to our brave veterans. Entertainment Highlights:

- Enjoy the swinging sounds of the 1940s with performances by Emma Louise Jackson and The Carleton Community Band.
 - Honour our local heroes with a special Parade of Honour featuring classic songs by Vera Lynn performed by the Choir Sing with the Spirit.
 - Indulge in authentic wartime-inspired cuisine with our Posh Ration Food.
 - Exciting prizes await in our raffle, and don't forget to visit our licensed bar for refreshments.
- Fancy Dress : Optional

See Poster for more details. Tickets (£7.50) are available from Steve Wade.

THE VOICE: The latest edition of our Diocesan newspaper is available from the back of church. Please take a copy. There's always things of interest for young people from Castlerigg.

ABORTION UP TO BIRTH: Pro-abortion MP Stella Creasy has tabled a new abortion up to birth amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill. If this extreme law change passes, it would make it far more likely that babies are aborted at home for any reason, up to birth. Stella Creasy's amendment would also make sex-selective abortion legal through to 24 weeks, along with removing a number of other safeguards provided by the Abortion Act. In addition, it would remove key deterrents against hiding a dead baby included in Section 60 of the Offences Against the Person Act. Section 60 is currently used to make it illegal to hide the body of a dead newborn baby, including in circumstances when the baby has been killed through infanticide. Creasy's proposed law change could make it easier to cover up infanticides.

These extreme changes to the law would likely lead to a tragic increase in the number of babies' lives being ended through late-term abortions performed at home, as well as the lives of many more women being endangered. This would be the biggest change to abortion legislation since the Abortion Act was introduced in 1967.

Please urgently contact your local MP (and ask others to do the same) and ask them to oppose this change to our abortion laws. It only takes 30 seconds using this easy-to-use tool: <https://righttolife.org.uk/uptobirth>

A NOTE FROM EASYFUNDRAISING: Thanks to our amazing supporters, we're in the top 20% of causes like us on #easyfundraising! If you're not signed up yet, please join today and you can raise free donations for St Wulstan and St Edmund Parish - Fleetwood every time you shop online. All the big names like John Lewis & Partners, Expedia, Argos, Just Eat are ready to donate at no extra cost to you. Plus, join today and we'll get a £5 bonus! Sign up here: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/stwulstanandedmund/3F10DX/c2s/ZdU7Z020/CE858/facebook/>

PENTECOST ROSARY: After the great reception Deborah's prayer for our journey to Pentecost received last week, more good news about preparing for this mighty feast, from Kim, Catherine and Ania from St Mary's.

The Wait is Over!

On the day God designated, He fulfilled His promise of the Holy Spirit coming to all mankind, and for all mankind. The timing according to Scripture was the day of Pentecost. Our Catholic parishes of Fleetwood join together to welcome everyone as we take up the Holy Rosary.

Let us contemplate Jesus through four mysteries of Holy Rosary in May, Our Lady's month.

- 15th May at ST.MARY'S (6.30 pm) – Glorious Mysteries led by Men.
- 16th May at ST.WULSTAN'S after 6pm mass - Mysteries of Light led by Families and Young People.
- 17th May at ST.WULSTAN'S (6.30 pm) – Sorrowful Mysteries led by Ladies.
- 18th May at ST. MARY'S (6.30 pm) Joyful Mysteries.

On the 18th of May, the Eve of Pentecost, we will meet up in Millennium Room for some food and celebratory cake. Don't worry if you can't find your Rosary, they will be provided.

