

Zoom Bible Share? Following the success of the Zoom prayer group, after Mass 'coffee' and Quiz nights, would people who took part in our weekly Bible share before lockdown, or others eager to join, like to give a Zoom Bible share a go? Let Fr Alf know.

The Last Rites: I have noticed in recent years, that many Catholics in our parish have died without receiving the last sacraments. In days gone by, the first person a Catholic family called when someone was dying, or seriously ill, was the priest. Nowadays, often the first time I know someone has died is when the funeral director rings to book a funeral. This could be because the family of the deceased does not practice, or is maybe unaware of the power of these sacraments which include absolution, anointing and, if the dying person is able, receiving Holy Communion - ("viaticum" or food for the final journey). Receiving these sacraments when preparing to meet Our Lord face to face, brings tremendous consolation to people of faith, and often a wonderful peace of mind. It's a tradition we should make our children aware of for when the time comes.

Our Lovely Patrick: Patrick's mum Catherine has written: "Hi Father Alf. To help us, we are trying to find a personal assistant for Patrick. Hours will be flexible 2-3 days a week. If interested, people can contact me on 07710 196506 for more information. Thank you".

Parish Centenary Co-ordinator: Mary Bird has very kindly agreed to be the co-ordinator of any memorabilia people might like to contribute to St Wulstan's centenary celebrations in 2024. If you have any photos, articles, anecdotes or things of interest, even curiosity, to share, then contact Mary on 01253 770564. All photos will be scanned and returned to their owners.

Parish Prayer Group on Zoom: Takes place every Saturday at 1000. Code for this Saturday is 882 174 7392 and the Password is Abc123

Zoom Green Hut Tea and Coffee: Feel free to join us on Zoom after Mass on Sunday from 1100-1130, having made yourself a nice cuppa. See repeat news overleaf for details. To join
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6786424346?pwd=dzhJRmFwVXJ5UjQ4Z092YXlnbDlnQdz09>
The Meeting ID: 678 642 4346 Password: 7Ajk7

Keeping in Touch:

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- > **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/st.wulstansfleetwood/> **Instagram:** St Wulstan & St Edmund

A Note from the Hospital Chaplain: If you have people there whom you would like the Catholic Chaplain to visit you can call him at St Kentigern's on 01253 393439. The Hospital Chaplaincy Office number is 01253 953876 or you can email bfwhospitals@nhs.net. In urgent cases ring the switchboard 01253 300000 and ask for the on-call Catholic Chaplain.

PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS:

Almighty and eternal God, from whom the whole universe receives energy, existence and life, we come to you to invoke your mercy, because today we are still living the fragility of the human condition in the experience of a new viral epidemic.

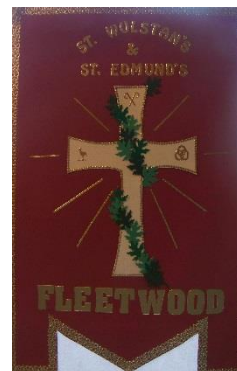
We believe that it is you who guides the course of human history and that your love can change our destiny for the better, whatever our human condition may be.

This is why we entrust the sick and their families to you: for the Paschal mystery of your Son gives salvation and relief to their body and their spirit.

Help each member of society do their job by strengthening the spirit of mutual solidarity. Support doctors and health workers, educators and social workers in the performance of their duty.

Free us from the epidemic that is affecting us so that we can calmly resume our usual occupations and praise you and thank you with a heart renewed.

We trust you and address our plea to you for Christ our Lord. Amen



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22nd Sunday of Year A 30/8/20

Sunday 30 th	1000 (W) People of the Parish (Will also be on Parish website at the same time)
Monday 31 st	No Mass
Tuesday 1 st	1800 (W) Judith and Brian Wood (Golden Wedding Anniversary)
Wednesday 2 nd	0930 (W) Fr Alf (Ordination Anniversary thanksgiving)
Thursday 3 rd	St Gregory the Great 1800 (W) Stuart Dempsey (Skin Cancer)
Friday 4 th	St Cuthbert 0930 (W) Michelle Grimshaw (LD)
Saturday 5 th	0900 (W) Sick and Housebound of the Parish
Sunday 6 th	1000 (W) People of the Parish (Will be on Parish website at same time)

CONFESSIONS: On request - providing social distancing is observed

*St Edmund's church is closed until further notice.
St Wulstan's will be open from 30 minutes before the start of each Mass.*

Collection: £313.40	Attendance (Website) 150 Households	Attendance in Person Sunday: 63 Weekdays: 101 (total)
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Thankyou.



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

Anniversaries this Week: Kath Latus, Cath Rogerson, Catherine Reidy, Anne Baines, Bernard Roney, William Sandham, Mary Matley, David Whyte.

Baptism Anniversaries:

Nicole Heidi Tebay 1st September 2013

Benjamin Joseph Tebay 1st September 2013

Junior James Rimmer 1st September 2013

Churches Together Prayer Calendar: This week we are praying for St Nicholas Church and the people of Bentham Avenue, Darbishire Road, Greendale Close, Larkholme Lane, Navena Avenue, Rutland Avenue and Welbeck Gardens with the prayer: *May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes.*

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winner for 22nd August was Viv McCarron with No 12.

Congratulations: Fr Alf and all the parishioners of Sts Wulstan and Edmund offer their congratulations to Judith and Brian Wood on the occasion of their Golden Wedding, with prayers and every good wish.

Benefits due to Unemployment or Redundancy: In one of our recent Healthier Fleetwood meetings it was asked where do people go if they have to make a claim for benefit due to unemployment or redundancy? An Adviser from DWP has kindly provided the following information: *Most (people) will now claim Universal Credit and should visit <https://www.gov.uk/apply-universal-credit>. Once they have made the online claim someone will get in touch with them usually within a few days, could be even that day, and they will be given a telephone appointment, as all new claims are still being completed over the phone and not in the (local Job Centre) office. If everything can be done digitally it will be.*

Note: If you do not have a computer, let Fr Alf know: I'm sure we can get someone who does have one to help.

A Note from Fr Andrew, the Hospital Chaplain: Blackpool Victoria Hospital will, this week, be the first hospital in the North West to introduce 'NHS111 first'. To ensure social distancing in the Emergency Department waiting areas, people who do not need an ambulance will be asked to contact NHS 111 for an appointment before attending A & E. The service will then book them a time slot at Blackpool Victoria Hospital, or at the most appropriate health service for the patient. In a similar way to people being sent to one of the Urgent Treatment Centres by NHS 111, patients arriving at the ED with an appointment through NHS 111 will be expected, booked in to the department through an 'express lane', and seen within 30 minutes of arrival.

Piously Picked Potatoes: Thanks to all who made a donation to the Food Bank for the potatoes and cabbages grown in the presbytery garden. The total raised was £39.00. There will be another crop in a few weeks- different variety - and hopefully some carrots, parsnips and purple sprouting broccoli (Fr Gerry's favourite). A huge thanks to John Lynch for helping me with the digging, and to Patrick Dempsey for his sowing, tilling and nourishing the plants. Vic Hudson, who has always cut the grass is now also on board with tending the garden, and I'm sure you're all aware of how much Keith Urwin contributes to the general care of our lawns, trees and flowers as well as the Glory Bees. Big thanks to Pip Lupton too for the care of St Edmund's grounds.

On-line Talks from Stoneyhurst: Over the next few months we will be offering a series of online talks, "Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters". Exploring some of the great figures of Western spirituality with well-known experts, the series is free to attend online. It will take place at 7:30pm on Thursdays, beginning on 3rd September and running through till 10th December. **Simply register to receive a link**, either online at <https://christianheritagecentre.com/event/saints-scholars-spiritual-masters/> or by email to events@christianheritagecentre.com. The first talk will be given by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ on "St Ignatius: Man of his time and Saint for the Present".

Donna Worthington's September Retreats:

Wed 9th and 16th 2-5pm Exploring Scripture through guided, imaginative prayer

Sat 19th 2-5pm or Mon 21st 0930-1230 Jonah and the Whale - a spiritual journey from the darkness of the whale moving towards a pathway of light.

To book go to drworthington@live.co.uk

Quiz Night: Our next Quiz Night will be **Wednesday** next week in two sections. Please join us.

Part 1: 7.00-7.45 & Part 2: 7.45-8.30 : Meeting ID: **616 766 9574** ~ Password: **4Pdd7w**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6167669574?pwd=UU1FK1Qxam5YZEJOTWlFNk9Pd05xQT09>

Postscript from Brian Wood: "Every Knee shall bend before my name". For us, we have the opportunity of bending our knee before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every time we walk into church. It is important for us to remember that a genuflection is a prayer of adoration and that we should give it our special attention, each according to our physical ability. Dear Jesus, let me always adore you as much as I am able.

REPEAT NOTICES

World Creation Day: Pope Francis has established 1 September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by his encyclical "Laudato Si", which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for its protection." This Day of Prayer begins the Season of Creation, observed by Christians around the world, which runs until 4 October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi, dedicated to prayer for the protection of creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles.

The key messages from Pope Francis include the following:

- We are called to protect creation-and we are missing the mark. "Something good in the eyes of God has become something exploitable in human hands."
- The Season of Creation is a "time to re-acquaint ourselves with praying immersed in nature, where our gratitude to the creator God arises spontaneously."
- The Season of Creation is a time to grow in sustainability. "This is the time to reflect on our lifestyles . . . Let's change and adopt simpler and more respectful lifestyles!"
- The Season of Creation is a time to urge governments to enact better climate policies. "This is the time to take prophetic actions" and governments have the task of "demonstrating political will, to drastically hasten their measures to reach net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible . . . in line with the Paris Agreement goals."