<u>VACANCY: Assistant Parochial Administrator</u>: For the parishes of St John Vianney, St Cuthbert & Our Lady of the Assumption to undertake a variety of activities working out of the office at St John Vianney. Hours: flexible but about 16 per week. Salary: by agreement depending upon experience in the range of £12 to £15 per hour. For job description & application form email: catholicsinsouthblackpool@gmail.com

Holy Land Pilgrimage: The Holy Land is now open again for pilgrimages from the UK. Northern Star Travel are offering the following dates: 27th October 2022, 3rd November 2022, 10th November 2022, 17th November 2022, 24th November 2022, 2nd February 2023, 09th February 2023, 16th February 2023 & 23rd February 2023. Departures from Manchester, Luton or Gatwick Airport. Special Price: £1095 per person sharing, £1350 in single room. 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast 4* Hotel Bethlehem, 2 nights dinner, bed & breakfast 4* Hotel Tiberias. It has been a long time since the last parish trip (to Valladolid). Would anyone be interested in going to the Holy Land sometime this year? Let Fr Alf know. To view the Pilgrimage itinerary visit our website www.northernstartravel.com

New Parish Running Group: As mentioned last week, Sam Roberts, one of our parishioners, who is a qualified Fitness Trainer, has starting an intermediate running club, meeting on Mondays at 7.30pm outside the Green Hut. If there is enough interest she is also willing to start a Beginners' run / fitness builder session on Tuesday evenings. She also runs a fitness class on Wednesday evenings at 1815 in St Nicholas church hall - suitable for novices and the super fit! The course can be adapted although a good level of health is required. All contact details are on her page - 'Fitness in Mind with Sam Roberts'.

Courses at Castlerigg:

Easter Retreat // For anyone in Year 10 up to 25 years old - ENGAGE // Our online Youth Ministry Course. Starts March 15th, Overflow // Our online Young Adults Group RISE // Our online Youth Group for Years 7-9

Castlerigg Lottery // Sign up for your chance to win the monthly jackpot and support us into the bargain! For details and booking 01768 772711





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4th Sunday of Year C 30/1/22

Sunday 30th 1000 Paul Travis (Anniversary)

Monday 31st No Mass

Tuesday 1st 1800 people of the Parish

Wednesday 2nd PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

1000 Funeral Mass for David Young

Thursday 3rd 1800 Charles Coxall (Anniversary)
Friday 4th 1000 Funeral Mass for Jean Sullivan
Saturday 5th 0930 Steve Walsh (Anniversary)
Sunday 6th 1000 Margaret Cuffe (RIP)



SUNDAY MASS IS NOW LIVESTREAMED ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR PARISH WEBSITE

CONFESSIONS: 0900 on Saturdays and 1730 on Thursdays

St Edmund's church is closed until further notice.

St Wulstan's will be open from 30 minutes before the start of each Mass.

The Lady Chapel is now open again every day from 0800-1700

<u>Collection</u> <u>Attendance</u>

23rd Jan £376.60 Sunday - 102 Weekdays (total) - 82 Website - 85 Households Thankyou

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

<u>Anniversaries this Week</u>: Edna Lambert, Catherine McVeigh, Mavis Irvin, Arthur Hammill, Peter Mullen, Vincent Parker, Vincent Cheetham, Beryl Woodward, carol Ann Stafford, Charles Coxall, Steve Welsh.

Baptism Anniversaries: Jake Douglas Moran 31st January 2009

Frank and Oscar Hartley
Harriet Jude Munton
Oliver Cutler
Evie Toni McArdle
Nathan Daniel Maricic

1st February 2014
1st February 2015
2nd February 2014
3rd February 2013
3rd February 2013

<u>Churches Together Prayer Calendar:</u> This week we are praying for Mount Methodist Church and the people of Agnew Road, Brown Street, Ennerdale Avenue, Hodder Avenue, Lyndale Court, Pharos Place, Southwood Avenue and Wyre Street with the prayer: **May the peace of Christ be in their hearts and in their homes**.

NEW NOTICES

Bonus Ball: Winner for 22nd January was Phil Bowker with No 28.

Meetings this week: Wednesday 2nd 1900 Maintenance Committee in presbytery

Thursday 3rd 1830 Bible Share in presbytery

Saturday 5th 1000-1200 Alpha Course in St Nicholas Parish Hall

Face Masks: As we know, the rule of wearing a face mask in public places was lifted on 27th January. Till now, we have had no guidance from the Diocese on how this will impact our churches. However, due to the concern of some parishioners, a straw poll was taken at Mass last Sunday as to whether we should continue wearing masks for another week or two, while we see what the results of the lifting of the rule are in society. The show of hands was roughly 50/50, so let's give it at least another week.

As regards social distancing in church, some parishioners still want this facility for the time being so there are still a few benches on the right-hand side of the church for those who wish to be socially distanced.

<u>The new Parish Ladies' Group:</u> Due to a lot of enthusiasm for this new venture, Gill has decided to bring the first meeting forward to Friday 25th February 7-8pm, instead of 25th March. Really hope this takes off.

Assisted Suicide: Lord Forsyth has tabled an amendment to the Health and Care Bill that would force the Government to lay an assisted suicide bill before Parliament within a year of the Health and Care Bill passing into law. We expect this amendment to be debated next week - and there is a possibility that Lord Forsyth will take it to a vote. Right to Life has launched an easy-to-use tool on our website which will enable you to send an email to Peers asking them to oppose this amendment. The tool drafts a custom email for you that includes evidence that makes a strong case for opposing this dangerous amendment.

<u>PS from Brian Wood:</u> When he was Papal Nuncio in Paris, Pope St John XXIII attended many banquets and was always on the top table. On one occasion sitting opposite him was a famous young film star who was wearing a very low-cut revealing dress, contrary to the usual etiquette for dining with the Nuncio. Everyone present seemed to be aware of the faux pas and there was an embarrassed silence all around. In order to defuse the situation and bring back the usual air of enjoyment, the Nuncio announced in a loud voice "It's very strange. Here at this table we have one of the most beautiful women in the world and yet everyone is looking at me!" Dear Jesus, help me always to avoid being concerned with my own importance.

REPEAT NOTICES

Let's start a Parish Ladies Group: Gill Callaghan writes: There will be a get together for the ladies of the parish in the Green Hut on Friday 25th March 7-8pm. Inspired by the Synod Group meeting and Fr Alf's recent sermons, this is intended to be an opportunity for all generations of women, from the age of 15 - 115, to meet together, sharing their experiences, stories, skills and friendship. No 'agenda' has been planned. Instead we will work out together what we want to do and then probably get together every couple of months. I think it'll be lovely if we can really get it going and get a wide age group together. If that time is a little late in the evening during the winter for some of the older ladies, I'd be happy to go and pick people up and I'm sure a few others would.

(Fr Alf's note: What a fabulous idea, especially for the way ahead in the newly emerging church, where the voices of women are being given more and more importance. I feel such a group would be a great asset for the Parish, and really hope lots of ladies will take up Gill's offer)

<u>Date for your diary:</u> Women's World Day of Prayer this year will be held in St Wulstan's, on Friday March 4^{th} from 1400-1500. More details nearer the time.

Donna Worthington's next retreats:

February 6^{th} 2-5pm - The Woman with the haemorrhage (Luke 8,40-48). A countercultural text of liberation and a journey to the hem of his garment.

Saturday 19^{th} February 2-5pm or Monday 21^{st} February 10am-1pm - Ecclesiastes 3, 1-8. 'There is a time for everything and a season for every purpose under heaven'. We explore the wisdom of this text for our lives.

Thursday evenings February 10, 17, 24 from 6.30-9pm. The Parables? Nice little stories or subversive arrows that turn things upside down? (Cost \pounds 60)

For more details: drworthington@live.co.uk

<u>Good News:</u> At long last, we have received news that we can begin to prepare for receiving a refugee family from a war-torn area. As you know, we have had everything in place since early 2020, but Covid put everything on hold. Now we can go ahead with finding accommodation and putting into effect what our teams have got ready. More details when we are up and running.

<u>Thank You:</u> Steve and Maria_would like to say a big 'thank you' to Father Alf and parishioners for their generous gift of their theatre trip to London. It was truly magical!