

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF FLEETWOOD ST MARY'S

ST WULSTAN AND ST EDMUND'S



6th April 2025 – 5th Sunday of Lent

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday 17th April:

Mass of the Lords Supper – 7pm at St Wulstan's. Followed by watching until 10:00pm concluding with night prayer Good Friday 18th April:

Stations of the Cross 11am at St Mary's The Passion of the Lord 3pm at St Wulstan's Easter Saturday 19th April:

Solemn Easter Vigil 7:30pm at St Mary's Easter Sunday 20th April:

St Wulstan's 9:00am St Mary's 11:00am

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER CALENDAR:

This week we are praying for Emmanuel Church and the people of Arden Green, Clifton Road, Gordon Road, Langwood Mews, Mowbray Place, Seaview Way and Westhead Walk with the prayer:

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

LENTEN ALMSGIVING: The Rwanda Group Trust is seeking to raise funds for the poorest of the poor in Rwanda. Fr Placide in Cyangugu parish writes: "In Rwanda, because the rains have been very late, crops were not grown well. Poverty is so prevalent that children in schools are facing serious problems. The rain has been heavy in some places and houses have destroyed. However, people are helping each other to survive. Please help us to help them. If you would like further information or to make a donation please contact: Michael Donlan (Trustee) Tel: 07864 990941

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Bank Account: Rwanda Group Trust Sort Code 09 01 29

Account No.08478395

LENTEN SERVICES: Please support our extra services during Lent. These help us to deepen our faith at this most holy time of year, bringing us closer to Christ and granting us many graces. During Lent we will be holding Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7pm and a Holy Hour with Benediction and evening prayer on Sunday evening at 4pm. These services will alternate between both churches.

LENTEN LUNCHES: the following are dates for the next Lenten Lunches held by Fleetwood Churches together

Friday 11th April 11:45-1:45 - St Marys Church All proceeds will go to Safe Hands/Home for good. www.safefamilies.uk 0333 4141488 www.homeforgood.org.uk 0300 001 0995

HOLY WEEK: Next Sunday with Palm Sunday we commence our Holy Week Journey to the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the most important week of our Christian year. Let's keep each other in prayer as we journey with Jesus.

FLEETWOOD CHURCHES TOGETHER:

Good Friday – "Sunset service" On the beach behind the leisure centre at 7:30pm.

Saturday 19th April – "Walk of Witness" from the Resurrection the Life illumination tableau - Comedy Carpet 2pm then worship and witness at the Tower Festival Headland 3pm

Easter Sunday - "Sonrise" Service on the mount at

All are welcome to celebrate the pinnacle of our year with our Christian brothers and sisters of other denominations.

DATE FOR THE DIARY - BLACKPOOL MALE VOICE CHOIR: After a long gap, due to COVID, we are very pleased to welcome back to St Wulstan's on Friday May 16th, Blackpool Male Voice Choir who will be giving a concert in aid of The Pantry, (Fleetwood Food Bank). Entry charge - £10 which includes refreshments in the Green Hut at half time. Tickets will be on sale in the next few weeks and can be bought at the door on the night, as can raffle tickets. Please put the date in your diary. More information to follow, regarding the programme, timings, raffle prizes etc thank you

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St Marys: parish@stmarys-fleetwood.org.uk



ST MARY'S NOTICES



St. Mary's Church will be open from 09:30 to 1pm on weekdays.

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Stations of the Cross will be led by Children IN St. Mary's Primary School at 12:30pm. on MONDAY 7th April. The School Hall will be open during school hours, and anyone is welcome to come in and view the Stations of the Cross so beautifully depicted by the children. Please come and support our children.

EASTER RAFFLE: Any donations, please, for the Easter Raffle. Final Sunday to buy tickets is Sunday 6th April. Tickets are on sale after Mass. Prizes will be available on Palm Sunday. Proceeds are towards the travelling expenses of two of St. Mary's young parishioners who will be helping at the Lourdes Pilgrimage.

BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

Father Stephen will be drawing the Raffle this coming Wednesday after Mass.

Donations for The Pantry

Any donations for the Pantry would be appreciated. These <u>will not</u> be collected in church, instead please take them to The Pantry yourself.

They are running low on cereal (especially porridge), coffee, baked beans, and teabags.

Thank you for your support.

Readers: 13th April

11.00a.m. Mass: Michael Eucharistic Ministers:

11.00a.m. Mass: Julia & Judith Children's Liturgy: NONE

Council Members: Fr. Stephen Talbutt, Deacon Bernard Farrell-Roberts, Peter Connor, Steve Dale, Anne Duxbury, Judith Halloran, Lindsay Newton, Steve Price and Sammy Ranasinghe Please pray for those whose Anniversaries are about this time: Anne Roe, Mary Tomlinson, Jane Godfrey, Doris Stamps, Trevor Wilson, Patrick O' Neill, Roy Wilson, Frances Collinson, Jeffrey Holden, Yaro Anderton, Kathleen Whelan, Mary Skitterall, Andy Mitchell, Tom Twiggs, Margaret Greer, Gerald Byrne, Ann Kelly

Holy Communion Programme: Our Holy Communion preparation has now started please keep our young people in your prayers as they begin their journey

Easter Flower Appeal

Would you like to donate money for Easter Flowers in memory of an individual, alive or dead?

All the names will be displayed on the noticeboard. Envelopes for donations and the individual's name are available at the back of church.

Please return completed envelopes to Judith, Anne or a steward at the back of church.

CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 12th April at 12:30pm. Please come and help.

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, Rev. Andrew from St. Peter's, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Christina Jones, Liam Edward Lenihan, Alison Lyons, Fr. Michael Murphy, Michael O'Sullivan, Irene Rankine, Mary Schon, Marie Slater, Mark Surelock, Jacqueline Wilding, Frank Ward, David Wilkinson, Fred & Mary Wylie, Nan Lusia, Les Morris

Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

Many thanks to those who supported the coffee morning and cake sale.

A total will be shown when all donations have been collected.

Weekly Collection: £268.59
Candles: £58.27
Church Flowers: £
St Anthony £
Restoration Fund: £32.73
World Needy £16.20



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 30 th March : 151 Website : 75						
ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:	BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES:					
Canon Alban Cochrane, Eileen David, Anthony Buschini, Denis Clarke, Irene Blythe, Brooke O'Connor, Kevin Cullen, Edward Tomlinson, Angela Hogg	Leon Robert Hindle 7 th April 2013 Charlotte Olivia Bowker 10 th April 2016 Victoria Grace Bowker 10 th April 2016 Oliver John Coles 11 th April 2010 Violet Dorothy Fogg 13 th April 2014					
CARDINAL ALLEN PUPILS HEADING TO LOURDES: Twelve Y11 pupils from Cardinal Allen are going on the Lourdes pilgrimage this July. They are working hard to fundraise for the trip amidst their GCSE exams. If any parishioners have any petitions they would like to send, please pass to Father Stephen or leave at the main office of Cardinal Allen school before Friday 11th July. They would be delighted to take your prayers with them to offer Our Lady. To help support their fundraising, our Parish will be hosting a Cake & Coffee Morning at St Wulstan's on Sunday 6th April after the morning Mass.	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					
THANKS: to Fr Alf, Deacon Bernard and all who helped out and took part in our Lenten talks over the last three weeks. A great and fruitful time was had by all. We journeyed a little closer to Jesus on our Lenten Journey. If you have any ideas of	BONUS BALL WINNERS: 29 th March - Angel Cole - No 19 Please note: for those people paying half yearly, the second payment of £25 is now due.					
further talks or groups that would help enrich the spiritual and Catholic life of our parishes please let Fr Stephen know. Weekly Collection 30 th March - £483.70	MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE: Will be meeting at 6:30pm on Wednesday 9th April in the presbytery.					
CRAFT CLUB: We would welcome new members at the Tuesday Afternoon Craft Club in the Green Hut 2-4pm. Just come along and bring the craft you wish to do and enjoy the friendly atmosphere, good company and, of course, tea and chocolate biscuits. HELPING HANDS: H	HOLY COMMUNION and RCIA PROGRAMMES: Our RCIA and Holy Communion programs are now underway. Please keep all those embarking on these courses in your prayers as they start this significant journey of faith. OSPITAL TRANSPORT					

Could you spare a little time to help a fellow parishioner who needs a lift to the hospital for an appointment? If you feel you could do this from time to time, please give your name and contact details to Maria Doherty who will contact you if the need arises. Thank you.

Pilgrims of Hope - Part three By Matthew Vincent

(Previously: In Part Two, I explored the importance of recognising that not everyone at Mass has unwavering faith. Many people attend for different reasons—some seeking community, others longing for faith but struggling with doubt. I also reflected on the impact of Fr. Stephen Talbutt's sermons in helping to guide me back towards belief.)

And this, ultimately, brings me back to our diocesan theme in this Jubilee year. Because while not everyone in the pews this Sunday—or any Sunday—may have the treasured gift of unshakable faith, we are all united by one thing: hope.

We all sit in church and listen because we hope to become better people by Jesus' teachings. We sit and pray because we hope for a better world for ourselves and for our families, a world touched by Christ's undimming light. Most of all, we look to the Crucifix and hope for the promise of His heavenly kingdom, the fulfilment of His eternal plan.

This Jubilee year, let us embrace hope—not just as a passive sentiment, but as a force that propels us forward in our journey of faith. Let us recognise that each person's path to God is unique, that doubt is not failure, and that we must support one another in our pilgrimage toward belief.

Because whether our faith is steadfast or still searching, what truly matters is that we are here—side by side—each of us on our own unique path, yet walking together as pilgrims of hope.

PS By Brian Wood G.K. Chesterton was a very devout Catholic and a very humble man. Many years ago, there was a debate going on in the letters page of The Times newspaper. They were discussing the question "What is wrong with the world today?" Chesterton wrote to the Editor "Dear Sir. I am. Yours sincerely." Dear Jesus, please help us to be humble about our place and importance in this world.



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT 6TH APRIL - 2025



Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Location		Intention/Details		
Sun 6 th April	9:00am	St Wulstan's	5 th Sunday	John and Ellen Drake RIP		
	11:00am	St Mary's	of Lent	People of both parishes		
Mon 7 th April	No Mass					
Tues 8 th Apr	7:00pm	St Mary's		Anne Roe		
Wed 9 th Apr	10:00am	St Mary's		Laurie and Nancy Bethell		
Thurs 10 th Apr	6:00pm	St Wulstan's		Vivien Callaghan RIP		
Fri 11 th Apr	9:30am	St Wulstan's		Charlotte O'Halloran RIP		
Sat 12 th Apr	10:00am	St Mary's		Deceased members of the Romanowski family		
Sun 13 th Apr	9:00am	St Wulstan's	PALM SUNDAY	Kev Cullen RIP		
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of both parishes		

Service Schedule

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Saturday 13th April 10:30 – 11:30am at St Mary's Church with Confessions after Mass.

LENT:

- Stations of the Cross Friday 12th April 7pm St Mary's
- Holy Hour with Vespers and Benediction Sunday 14th April 4pm St Mary's

FUNERALS:

- Funeral Service for Anne Wood Wednesday 9th April 11:15am at Carleton Crematorium.
- Requiem Mass for Betty Wade Thursday 10th 1pm April at St Wulstan's

May they rest in peace.