



St. Mary's, Fleetwood

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Parish Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

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Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist : **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th July, 2014

Celebration of the Word with Children

This is the more accurate term for what is often called "Children's Liturgy". Whatever you call it, this is a very important and valued part of our Sunday worship. It provides the opportunity for the children at Sunday Mass to reflect on the Sunday scripture readings and to pray at a level appropriate to them. At a brief meeting, earlier this year, with the present team of people involved in this important ministry, I was asked to appeal for more volunteers to help with it. Most of the people involved have been doing it for a long time. Some are no longer able to do it and gaps are appearing when it is not possible to celebrate it. **Please think about becoming involved.** You will not be left on your own but will work with others who are experienced.

A Church for Children Too

Simon Stewart, a lay chaplain at St. Mary's College in Blackpool and an experienced adult education worker, will give a **two-part series** for people involved in the Celebration of the Word with Children. It will take place here, in St. Mary's, on **Wednesdays, 17th and 24th September.** Please put the dates in your diary!

World Youth Day in Krakow, July 2016

Fifty places are available for young people from this Diocese. The age range is 16 to 23 years. The all-inclusive cost is £750. Join millions of young people from around the world for the event of a life-time! For more information, visit www.castleriggmanor.co.uk or www.worldyouthday.com/krakow-2016

Liturgies for the week 6th – 13th July, 2014

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish Chrissie Anthony <i>R.I.P.</i> (T.H.)
Monday (7 th) of week 14	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday (8 th) of week 14	7 p.m.	Deceased members of Wilkinson Family
Wednesday (9 th) of week 14	10 a.m.	Ann Finley <i>R.I.P.</i>
Thursday (10 th) of week 14	10 a.m.	Deceased members of Melville Family (R.W.M.)
Friday (11 th) ST. BENEDICT	10 a.m.	Arran Tosh <i>Lately dead</i> (B. & J.)
Saturday (12 th) of week 14	10 a.m.	No Mass today
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	Rick Taylor <i>R.I.P.</i> (C.S. & D.) The People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers



» **all the sick**, especially Althea Armour, Pastor Steve Bond, Deborah Carr (*Maureen McGarvey's daughter*), Patsy Coll, Marianne Delaney, Jacob Gray, Marion Hartley, Alison Lyon, Dave Parker, Joe Scott, Mark Surelock, Abraham Victory, Winifred White, Cliff Wilkinson, and baby Cillian Patrick Wilson;

» **the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Thomas Ball, Hilda Brookes, Mary Davies, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Dennis Halloran, Gerry & Brenda McCaul, Sheila Mullen, Walter Myerscough, Sally Penton, Betty Poole, Joan Rayworth, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick and Nellie Wilson;



» **those who have died recently, especially, Betty Cooper, Dave Corless, Ann Finley, Eileen Hearty, Arran Tosh, and those whose anniversaries are this coming week:** Jeffrey Ashford, George Avery, William Cartmell, Alice Clarkson, Ernest Edward Hadgraft, William Hallworth, Gerard Kane, Edward Myerscough, Mary Neill, Bridget Northcott, Annie Pinder, Jennifer Riches, Mr. F.S. Smith, Robert Joseph Smith, Clara Weedall.

St. Winefride's House for Retired Priests

"Occasionally, we hold special events at St. Winefride's (*Low Moor Road, Bispham*) such as our annual outdoor Mass (*see above*) when extra support is very much appreciated. This will generally involve helping set up for the Mass, putting out tables, assisting with refreshments and generally being a "friend" of St. Winefride's House. It is a warm and caring environment and a wonderful place in which to become involved. If you can spare any time at all and would like to find out how you can help, please contact Father Peter Draper on 01772 725193 or Barbara Lynch at St. Winefride's on 0745 429894. Thank you."

Read next Sunday's Gospel for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (13th July)

Matthew 13 : 1-9 The Parable of the Sower

Like any good teacher, Jesus uses pictures – or parables. Ever heard the one about the elephant and the wasp? Or electricity like a toy train going round a room? Anyway, for the next three weeks, we have some of these pictures, to show us what Jesus is trying to do. This first one is rather sad. Whatever the sower does seems to fail: seed pecked up by birds, scorched by the sun, choked by thistles. What are my pecking birds, my scorching sun, my choking thistles which annihilate the seed Jesus sows in me? It's probably different for every one of us. But some, just a little, of the seed bears a fantastic harvest. There must be something I can show to the Lord with pride and gratitude: 'Look, this is the seed you gave me; it has grown, developed, and here is your harvest.' Jesus, too, reflected on his mission to establish his Father's sovereignty on earth. Jesus, too, may well have wondered if he was getting anywhere. It was only when he had failed utterly, alone, deserted and tortured, that his perseverance won the crown. Jesus doesn't want the successful. He wants the failures as his followers – and that is where the harvest lies.

In Jesus' story, what is the seed? What prevents the seed reaching its full growth in me? In what way has the seed made me a better person?

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

for 29th June

59 Jackie Jackson	£400
86 Marion Hartley	£200
144 Theresa Scott	£100
85 Dennis Halloran	£100

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: 183 (83,100)
Offertory: £408.57
Peter's Pence: £93.66
Candles: £140.11
St. Anthony: £30.84
World Needy: £54.60
Flowers: £3.81
Books & Papers: £8.45

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Week beginning 13th July

Church Cleaning

Liturgy of the Word with Children

J. Wright & S. Thwaites

Refreshments after Mass

Doreen & Kathleen

Diary

Saturday, 12th July: A "miles of smiles" parish trip to St. Mary of Furness & Furness Abbey – A coach will leave from the Mount entrance at 9.30 a.m. and we will arrive at St. Mary's church in Barrow in time for midday Mass. There will be time to look around this lovely church which was designed by E.W. Pugin who also designed and built our own beautiful church of St. Mary. There will be an opportunity for light refreshments before heading off for the afternoon at Furness Abbey. On our way home, we will stop off at the Barbon Inn for a 2-course meal and we aim to be back in Fleetwood by 9 p.m. The cost for the full day, including entrance to the Abbey and the meal is £25. **Today is your last chance to sign up for this lovely day out. The list is at the back of church.**

Sunday, 13th July: Sea Sunday – This is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a retiring collection for the Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. Please give generously to support its important work. For more information, visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Tuesday, 15th July: Mass of Blessed Edward Bamber at 6.30 p.m. at St. Winefride's House, Bispham. At this annual Mass, the chief celebrant will be Bishop Michael Campbell. All are invited to join the community there for Mass followed by light refreshments.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

We would like to invite Bishop Michael to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mary's next year, 2015, preferably during Eastertide. As you probably know, the Bishop will only come to celebrate Confirmation in an individual parish if there are twelve candidates or more. Would anyone who is of secondary school age or over and would like to be confirmed, please hand your details to Bill or Michael. We need to know your name and contact details as well as some details about the place of your Baptism and the approximate date.

Catholic Singles

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single, adult Catholics of all ages to meet, either one to one or through social events. Please telephone 0161 941 3498, visit the website at www.catholicsingles.org.uk or e-mail infor@catholicsingles.org.uk for more information.

St. Mary's Catholic College

Lay Chaplain (Counsellor) required for September, 2014

30 hours per week over 4/5 days – new N.J.C. Grade F (26-30) – term time only

Closing date for applications is Tuesday, 8th July.

For more details, see the notice at the back of church.

Welcome families and friends to St Mary's: join us in the Millennium Room for refreshment and community social time after 10.30 a.m. Mass.