

## Diary

**Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> September:** A Church for Children too – the second of two talks by Simon Stewart about the Celebration of the Word with Children will take place here, in St. Mary's, at 7 p.m.

**Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October: Harvest Family Fast Day** – please make sure you collect your envelopes and return them in the following Sunday's collection. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

**Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October: St. Mary's Music Group Reunion** at the 10.30 a.m. Mass – if you have ever sung or played or been a helper with our music group, please join us at this reunion Mass. See you there? *Sheila Donnelly*

**Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> October: Songs of Praise in the Marine Hall** at 7 p.m. with Thornton Cleveleys Brass Band and the participation of local children. Fleetwood Churches Together welcome you all to this celebration of praise.

### Annual Retreat

As I said last Sunday, this week, I am away on my annual retreat at the Catholic House of Prayer ([www.catholic-iona.com](http://www.catholic-iona.com)) on the Hebridean island of Iona ([www.welcometoiona.com](http://www.welcometoiona.com)). This island is where St. Columba and his monks landed from Ireland in the year 563. The monastery he founded became one of the great centres of the early Church in the British Isles. From here, missionaries spread the Christian faith throughout Scotland. Eventually, St. Aidan, a monk from Iona, founded the famous monastery on Lindisfarne in Northumbria.

I will specially remember all of you each day at Mass. Please pray for me. *Michael*

### Petition to the Secretary of State for Health

Since abortion was legalised in 1967, 97% of all abortions are authorised because of the "risk to the mental health" of the mother. Recent research and research over the years suggests strongly that, not only is this **not true**, but that the opposite is often true. The experience of an abortion often has a long-term, damaging effect on a woman.

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is petitioning the Secretary of State for Health to take steps to stop this use of invalid grounds for authorising abortion. **Please sign the petition which will at the back of church next weekend.**

### Anniversaries of Death

In an effort to bring our list of anniversaries up-to-date, I would be grateful if you could let me have the names of any relatives, friends, etc. who have died in the last two years and give me their dates of death. The names of these people will be added to the anniversaries list and to the Book of the Dead for November prayers. Please don't assume I know or can remember!!

**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.**



## St. Mary's, Fleetwood

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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**

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

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2014

### This weekend

This weekend, we welcome Father Frank Graham, a Mill Hill Missionary, who is supplying for Father Michael but, more importantly, is going to speak about the work of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (the Red Mission Box people!). Please give him a warm St. Mary's welcome.

### New Parish E-mail Address & Website

Our new website is now live at [www.stmarys-fleetwood.org.uk](http://www.stmarys-fleetwood.org.uk) – please take a look. Those people who have seen it seem to be quite impressed with it. I hope you are too. Our thanks go to **Joan Bailey** who designed and created it. Please note that the parish also has a new e-mail address : [parish@stmarys-fleetwood.org.uk](mailto:parish@stmarys-fleetwood.org.uk) **If you would like to receive this newsletter by e-mail** – saving on our printing costs – **please e-mail the new address** with your name, address and contact telephone number and we will begin sending you the newsletter straight away.

### Holiday at the Villa Palazzola, 6<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2016

I have booked to take a group out to the Villa Palazzola, a little to the south of Rome in the Alban Hills, in 2016 for a holiday. The setting is beautiful and relaxing and there are opportunities to explore the local area as well as to go down into Rome for a day. I am giving parishioners of St. Mary's the first opportunity to book their places for a returnable deposit of £50. Please pick up the leaflet at the back of church to book your place or go to the website: [www.palazzola.it](http://www.palazzola.it) to find out more about this beautiful place.

*Father Michael*

*Liturgies for the next two weeks 21<sup>st</sup>. September – 5<sup>th</sup>. October, 2014*

<b>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	Steven Woodcock <i>Lately dead</i> (H.K.) The People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> (22 <sup>nd</sup> ) of week 25	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
<b>Tuesday</b> (23 <sup>rd</sup> ) <b>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</b>	7 p.m.	Celebration of the Word
<b>Wednesday</b> (24 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>Our Lady of Walsingham</b>	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
<b>Thursday</b> (25 <sup>th</sup> ) of week 25	10 a.m.	Father Raymond O'Halloran <i>sick</i> (J.E.)
<b>Friday</b> (26 <sup>th</sup> ) of week 25	10 a.m.	Cath Hagen <i>Lately dead</i> (J. & B.)
<b>Saturday</b> (27 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	10 a.m.	Peter Edwards <i>R.I.P.</i> (J. & B.)
<b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Drake family (H.K.) The People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> (29 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>S.S. MICHAEL, GABRIEL &amp; RAPHAEL</b>	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
<b>Tuesday</b> (30 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>St. Jerome</b>	7 p.m.	Annie Peoples <i>Lately dead</i> (M.J.M.)
<b>Wednesday</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> ) <b>St. Therese of the Child Jesus</b>	10 a.m.  7 p.m.	Richard Hearty <i>birthday memories</i> (M.H.) <b>Deanery Mass at English Martyrs, Hardhorn</b>
<b>Thursday</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) <b>The Holy Guardian Angels</b>	10 a.m.	Dominic Murphy <i>Anniversary</i> (M.J.M.)
<b>Friday</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) of week 26	10 a.m.	Raymond & Mary Madej <i>R.I.P.</i> (A.M.)
<b>Saturday</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>St. Francis of Assisi</b>	10 a.m.	John Smith <i>R.I.P.</i> (J.S.)
<b>Twenty- Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m.	Brain Kerr <i>Anniversary</i> (H.K.) 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*), Roy Clarke, Patsy Coll, Marianne Delaney, Laura Finley, Jacob Gray, Marion Hartley, Joseph Higgins, Alison Lyon, Michael O'Sullivan, Dave Parker, Andrew Pearson, Joe Scott, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, baby Casey Williams;

» **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, Betty Poole, Joan Rayworth, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick and Nellie Wilson;

» **those who have died recently**, especially **Dorothy Gorrell** (*a friend of Michael's*), **Canon Nick McArdle**, **Annie Peoples**, **Abraham Jeremiah Victory** and **those whose anniversaries are this coming week**: Lily Allen, Thomas Joseph Bissett, Bob Burton, Cecilia Byrne, Jack Casey, Robert Catterall, Stanley Curphey, Herbert J. Dickins, Father Anthony Foulkes, Andrew Godfrey, Marie



Green, Alice Jordan, Brian Kerr, Karen Leo, Dominic Murphy, Mike Quinn, Edwin Smith, Edwin d'Souza, William Edward Wilson.

**The next two Sundays' Gospels**

**for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
(28<sup>th</sup>. September) - Matthew 21 : 28-32**

**for the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (5<sup>th</sup>. October) –  
Matthew 21 : 33-43**

Due to the need to produce the newsletter earlier than normal, we are unable to publish Father Henry Wansborough's reflections as they are only published on a Thursday. However, should you wish to look them up for yourself, you can find them at [www.wednesdayword.org](http://www.wednesdayword.org)

**ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS  
for 14<sup>th</sup>. September**

201 David Hughes £50  
29 Irene Rankin £15

Mass Attendance: 195 (83, 112)  
Offertory: £462.09  
Candles: £176.19  
Books & Papers: £15.05  
Flowers: £14.15  
World Needy: £43.21  
Funeral Donations: £121

*Thank you, as always, for  
your generosity.*

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Page 134 (next Sunday)**

*Week beginning 28<sup>th</sup>. September  
& 5<sup>th</sup>. October*

**Church Cleaning**

*Group 1 Anne Towler's group*

**Liturgy of the Word with Children**

*J. Wright & S. Thwaites  
J. Halloran, J. Stevenson & M. Baldwin*

**Refreshments after Mass**

*Doreen & Kathleen  
Peggie & Co.*

**The Gaza Crisis**

All monies in the World Needy box, from now until the end of September (**only this weekend and next!**), will go to Cafod for the relief of suffering in Gaza.

**Parish Property**

**Please think about volunteering** your help and advice about the essential works described two weeks ago, especially if you have a particular expertise. Thank you.