

Diary

TRAM SUNDAY – This seems to have been a success! Certainly it was a very enjoyable day! Thank you to everyone who baked or donated cakes. They were very tempting! Thanks also to those who did the “heavy” work of laying out and putting away the tables and chairs. Thank you to the small “army” of people who prepared the delicious sandwiches and served our many customers all day long. Thank you also to our “stall-holders” and to Mencap for the loan of all the tables and chairs.

As you can see elsewhere in the newsletter, a total of £1,140-58 was raised for parish funds, for which we are very grateful. But, more importantly, we offered a very warm welcome and hospitality to many people who were visitors to Fleetwood. Well done everyone !

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 12th July

No. 78 John Smith £50

No. 38 Margaret Smith £15

For 19th July

No. 60 Donna Hartley – Page £50

No. 133 M. McCartney - £15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: 8:30 - 79
10:30 - ?

Offertory: £529.05

Candles: £204.32

Books/Papers: £23.71

World Needy: £84.76

St. Anthony:

Flowers:

Tram Sunday : £1,140.58

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Kath and Maureen



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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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26th July 2015

**O God, you open wide your hand,
giving us food in due season.
Out of your never-failing abundance, satisfy
the hungers of body and soul
and lead all peoples of the earth
to the feast of the world to come.
We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus
Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. Amen.**

Welcome families and friends to St Mary's. Join us in the Millennium Room for refreshment and community social time after 10.30am Mass.



*Week 17, beginning
26th July 2015*

SUNDAY 26th Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Denis Lupton R.I.P. (A.L.)
	10.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish
MONDAY 27th of week 17	10 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 28th of week 17	7 p.m.	Phillip Mc Garvey R.I.P. (M. McG.) Anniversary
WEDNESDAY 29th St. Martha	10 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham R.I.P. (S. & L.)
THURSDAY 30th of week 17	10 a.m.	Dan Seery Lately Dead (G & M.R.)
FRIDAY 31st St. Ignatius of Loyola	10 a.m.	Linda King R.I.P. (M.J.M.)
SATURDAY 1st August St. Alphonsus	10 a.m.	Elizabeth Bromilow R.I.P. (J.B.)
NEXT SUNDAY 2nd Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham R.I.P. (B.McC.)
	10.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers

» **all the sick**, especially Pastor Steve Bond, Fred Chew, Elsie Clapp, Roy Clarke, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Laura & Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Brenda Gray, Jacob Gray, Marion Hartley, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Jim McOmish (Father of Craig, who runs the Fleetwood Beach Kiosk), Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Joe Scott, Margaret Smith, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, Baby Zephen (Mumbai)

» **the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Thomas Ball, Hilda Brookes, Mary Davies, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Catherine (Reenie)Sharp, Monica Syms, P. Warwick and Nellie Wilson;

» **those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Raymond Madej**, Bernard Hewitt, Gerard Dickins, Ron Templeton, Helen Andrew, David Loughnan, Norah Clarkson, Catherine Smalley, Anne Steadman, Shaun Dutton, John Wilson, Janet O'Connor, Bernard Hearty, Mary Ann Casey, Monica Muscroft, Barbara Davies



THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read

The Gospel for Sunday 2nd August 2015 (John 6:24-35): The Bread of Life

Reflect

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

After the account of the miraculous feeding of the five thousand, Jesus explains the significance of the event. First he stresses that its importance lies not in the material food that goes bad, but in that of which the food is a sign. The people must understand the sign-value of the food, its ultimate fulfilment in Jesus of the manna in the desert: we do not live by bread alone but by every word which comes from the mouth of God. The whole explanation is built on a contrast between Moses and Jesus, between the food given by Moses and that given by Jesus.

Jesus is the bread of life as the eucharistic bread, and also as revelation. We often concentrate exclusively on the eucharistic meaning of this chapter. This introduction to the Bread of Life discourse, however, emphasises that it is belief and understanding which is first required, and only then does Jesus begin to explain the deeper meaning of the bread. Jesus gives the explanation of what he has done in the synagogue at Capernaum, and – after the manner of Jewish sermons of the time – each phrase of the scriptural quotation from the Book of Exodus is commented on in turn: Bread from heaven / he gave them / to eat.

If this miraculous feeding is a sign, what is it a sign of?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES :

We welcome back on Friday all the members of the parish who have been on pilgrimage to Lourdes. We pray that it will have been a wonderfully uplifting experience for all of them.

Saturday, 1st August at 7.00p.m.- ORGAN & CHORAL RECITAL BY VAUGHAN RICHARDSON (Organist & Choral Director at St. Peter's, Fleetwood) & **"VOX"**

The programme will include several items with audience participation and there will be a raffle during the interval. Tickets £7 (Concessions £5). This will be an enjoyable and also high quality recital with some of the musicians coming a considerable distance to take part. Please give it your support.

On a practical note we need volunteers to provide refreshments during the interval. Please volunteer to Fr. Michael. We also need raffle prizes as well as one or two people to run the raffle. Thank you!