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World Youth Day - Danny Morgan, our Senior Altar Server, will be going to meet Pope Francis in Krakow next year on World Youth Day. To raise funds Danny was going to do a Triathlon at the end of September but due to sustaining an injury to his leg is not able to do it. However if you would still like to help Danny with the cost £750, he will be grateful for any sponsorship. Any offering can be given to Danny, Fr. Michael or Deacon Bill. Fr. Tom kindly left a donation last Sunday after Mass.

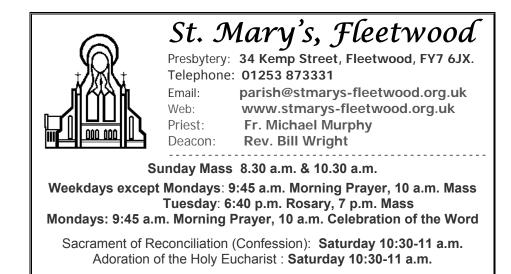
Christmas Fair – It's the time of year when we ask for donations for goods to sell at the Fair. We would be grateful for any of the following items to sell on the stalls. Toiletries; Groceries; Fancy Goods; Bottles for the Bottle Stall; Toys and Games; Paper Back Books (please no manuals); Sweets etc. Not forgetting to ask cake bakers to be at the ready. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Don't forget Raffle tickets available at the back of church.

OPEN EVENING : Cardinal Allen School – Thursday 1st October For all new pupils. Headmaster's address – 6.30 p.m.

| ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS | PARISH MASS BOOK + YEAR B |
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| For 20th September 2015 No. 188 Anne Verity £50 No. 223 Joan Watthey £ 15 | Volume 2 – Pg. 138 |
| LAST SUNDAY Mass Attendance: 178 8:30 – 58 10:30 –120 | Week beginning 4 th October Church Cleaning |
| Offertory: £ 597.13 Candles: £ 170.83 Books/Papers: £20.24 World Needy: £ 55.56 St. Anthony: Flowers: £17.18 | <i>Children's Liturgy</i> J. Halloran, M. Baldwin <i>Refreshments after Mass</i> Doreen & Kathleen |
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Welcome families and friends to St Mary's. Join us in the Millennium Room for refreshment and community social time after 10.30am Mass.



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27th SEPTEMBER 2015

Pour out your Spirit, O god, over all the world to inspire every heart with knowledge and love of you.

Grant that we who confess Jesus as Lord may shun whatever is contrary to this faith and give witness to your love that has saved us in Christ, for he lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Week 26, beginning 27th September 2015

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| SUNDAY 27 th September | 8.30 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 10.30 a.m. | Peter Baldwin R.I.P. (Family) |
| MONDAY 28th | 10 a.m. | Celebration of the Word |
| | 11.30a.m. | Funeral Service Wilf Carter |
| TUESDAY 29th SS. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael | 7 p.m. | Dominic Murphy Anniversary (M.J.M.) |
| WEDNESDAY 30th | 10 a.m. | Richard Hearty R.I.P. |
| | | Birthday Memories (M.H.) |
| THURSDAY 1 st October | 10 a.m. | Elizabeth Bromilow R.I.P. (J.B.) |
| FRIDAY 2nd | 10 a.m. | Maureen Geddes R.I.P. (B & G.R.) |
| SATURDAY 3rd | 10 a.m. | Hilda Brookes R.I.P. (E.P.) |
| NEXT SUNDAY 4th | 8.30 a.m. | Randall & Pat Wright |
| Twenty-Seventh Sunday | | Anniversary (J.B.) |
| in Ordinary Time | 10.30 a.m. | 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, Dawn Porter, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Margaret Smith, Mark Surelock, Winifred White, Baby Zephen (Mumbai), ***the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, Mary Davies, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick and Nellie Wilson;

»those who have died recently: Catherine (Reenie) Sharp, John O'Brien, Doreen Derbyshire.

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Jack Casey, Marie Green, Thomas Joseph Bissett, Mike Quinn, Lily Allen, Brian Kerr, Edwin Smith, William Edward Wilson, Herbert J. Dickins.

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read The Gospel for Sunday 4th October 2015 Mark 10: 2-16) Two Become One Flesh

*Reflect*After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection. *The Pharisees are putting a trick question to Jesus, as is clear in Matthew's*

fuller account in his gospel. They knew the Law, which permitted divorce, and they will quote this Law to Jesus. The Law allowed divorce for 'indecency', but teachers were divided about what this meant: did it mean adultery or a lesser fault? So their real guestion is: what does Jesus consider grounds for divorce? As so frequently in his discussions with the legal experts, Jesus' response goes beyond and much deeper than a simple answer to the question: God made man and woman such that they should bond together permanently and become one thinking, living being. The word used for one 'body', or one 'flesh', really means one entity, not a hunk of meat, but a single, vibrant personality. God's intention was not that the two should be separable again. So Jesus does not answer the guestion about grounds for divorce at all. It is striking that here and on other occasions too – Jesus' authority is such that he feels able to alter the sacred Law of Moses. For the Jews the Law of Moses was God's own gift, sacred and unalterable by any human authority. By altering it, by annulling the permission for divorce under certain circumstances, Jesus is implicitly claiming divine authority. What does Jesus teach about marriage? And what does his welcoming of the children have to say about God's kingdom?

FLEETWOOD CHURCHES TOGETHER - Songs of Praise: Marine Hall Friday 9th October at 6.30 p.m. St. Mary's School Children will be taking part

A Week's Holiday at the Fabulous Villa Palazzola, 6th to 13th June, 2016:

Villa Palazzola, owned by the Venerable English College, Rome, is spoken of by the local people as "the ante-chamber to heaven". It really is that beautiful! The swimming pool is spectacularly situated and the wonderful terrace provides magnificent views, sun, shade and a wonderful experience of "al fresco" dining.

The price of £845 per person (£950 en-suite – subject to availability) is fully inclusive of airport transfers, air fares, full board (including wine and water at lunch and supper, as well as 24 hour tea/coffee facilities). Book now to avoid disappointment! N.B. Non en-suite rooms are served by a plentiful supply of nearby W.C. and shower facilities.