

Diary

Arrangements for next year's **150th Celebrations** are well underway. There is a list of proposed events on the porch notice board.

Did you know we are on Facebook? St. Mary's Church Fleetwood

Some videos of the Folk Group and the interior of the church. Thank you, Matthew

Calendars and Mugs celebrating St. Mary's 150th Anniversary are on sale after Masses. Calendars £5, Mugs £4

The annual pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Cleator will be on Sunday 11th September. The principal celebrant and preacher will be Bishop Michael Campbell. Tea consisting of ham salad, homemade cake, tea or coffee will be served in the Civic Hall at Cleator Moor at a cost of £8.50 per head. Poster in the porch.

Today we welcome Fr. Chris Webb to celebrate Mass for us whilst Fr. Michael is away on holiday.



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-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st August 2016

To the banquet of your kingdom, O God of the nations, you have invited people of every race and tongue.

May all who are called to a place at your table come, by the narrow way, to the unending feast of life.

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.

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 14th August 2016

No.105 David Thompson £ 50

No. 72 Helen Blade £15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance:

8:30 – 66

10:30 – 90

Offertory: £441.27

Candles: £148.51

Books/Papers: £12.22

St. Anthony: £11.27

Building Fund: £13.14

World Needy: £69.12

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Week beginning 28th August

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

J. Jackson & M.Chew

Refreshments after Mass

Kath & Maureen

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

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| Sunday 21st August 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8.30 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| | 10.30 a.m. | Thomas Tabb (BB) |
| MONDAY 22nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 10.00 a.m. 11.am | Service of the Word Funeral Service of Audrey Cross |
| TUESDAY 23rd | 7.00 p.m. | Service of the Word |
| WEDNESDAY 24th St. Bartholomew | 10.00 a.m. | Service of the Word |
| THURSDAY 25th | 10.00 a.m. | Service of the Word |
| FRIDAY 26th | 10.00 a.m. | Service of the Word |
| SATURDAY 27th St. Monica | 10.00 a.m. | Edward Brady (JB) |
| Next Sunday 28th 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8.30 a.m. | Peter Edwards (JE) |
| | 10.30 a.m. | People of the Parish |

Please remember in your prayers



»**all the sick**, especially: Pastor Steve Bond, Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Laura Finley, Peter Fogg, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Michael O'Sullivan, Maria Romanowska, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Marie Slater, 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



>>**those who have died recently**: Audrey Cross, Pauline Bullen

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Norah Galvin, Joseph McGinley, Eileen Harrison, Sarah Flynn, David Andrew, Frances Farrell, Peter William Edwards, Joseph McGarvey, Geoff Tonge, Mary Ellen Wilson, Knud Veje

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 28th August 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 14:1.7-14 Invitations**

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

*Two parables in today's Gospel about invitations to table. Both are from Luke's special material, without parallel in the other gospels. Jesus moves in a higher stratum of society than he does in Mark and Matthew, and often has in mind the implications of the Gospel in this context. The first parable, however, like several of Luke's parables, seems to be developed from a little Old Testament proverb: 'Do not give yourself airs, do not take a place among the great; better to be invited, "Come up here," than to be humiliated' (Proverbs 25:6-7). At first sight this seems a merely worldly precaution, a false humility engineered to gain attention. But for Luke a banquet is always an image of the heavenly banquet of the Lord. So the message is a moral one too: don't think yourself better than you are. The message is also typical of Luke's open and straightforward approach. One is reminded of the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-collector at prayer, where the latter prays only 'God be merciful to me, a sinner'. The second parable also is typical of Luke: it exemplifies his stress on the inherent danger of wealth, on the need to use wealth well, and on his concern for the poor and neglected in society. **What is the message of these two parables? What does their message say to me about the way I lead my own life?***

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

150th Anniversary of St. Mary's We are hoping to arrange a pilgrimage to Rome next year but details have yet to be finalised. Anticipated cost will be in the region of £1000. Please have a word with Bill as soon as possible if you are interested. The date will be the last week in May.

40th Anniversary of Ordination If you would like to join Fr. Michael in celebrating his anniversary at Villa Palazzola outside of Rome in July 2018 please have a word with Bill

Christmas Fair The date is Saturday 12th November and raffle tickets are on sale today. A meeting will be called in September to make the necessary arrangements