

Diary

Friday 26th February – "SHARING OUR FAITH" : A small group meets every Friday at 4.00p.m. in the Presbytery to discuss various aspects of our faith. Members of the parish, as well as people who are interested in becoming Catholics, are ALL WELCOME.

FLEETWOOD CHURCHES TOGETHER LENTEN LUNCHES. Poster with all Lenten Lunch venues on display in the porch. Friday 26th at St. Nicholas' from 12 noon.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: A good while ago we asked for more people to volunteer to be Eucharistic Ministers and there was a good response. However, if anyone else would like to volunteer, you will be most welcome. Please sign the list at the back of Church.

Eucharistic Ministers' Course: 3 short sessions for ALL Eucharistic Ministers will be given on the following dates :

Monday, 22nd February – Celebrating Holy Communion in the Home.

Wednesday, 2nd March – Leading a Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion.

All sessions will be at 7.00p.m. in the Millennium Room. Thank you!

Clothing for the Lenten Collection for "International Aid Trust" would be appreciated. Lists of suitable clothing are available at the back of church. Thank you, Audrey

Thursday 12.30pm Stations of the Cross followed by soup & a roll

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 14th February 2016

No. 11 Hilda Hockings £50
No.58 Carmel Roche £15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **160**

8:30 – 60

10:30 – 100

Offertory: £492.59

Candles: £154.59

Books/Papers: £18.35

St. Anthony: £48.21

Flowers: £18.00

World Needy: £28.32

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Week beginning 28th February

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

Children stay in church

Refreshments after Mass

No named group



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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.**

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

21st February 2016

**God of the covenant, your presence fills us with awe,
your word gives us unshakable hope.**

**Fix in our hearts the image of your Son in glory, that,
sustained on the path of discipleship, we may pass
over with him to newness of life.**

**Grant this through Christ, our deliverance and hope,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.**

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

SUNDAY 21st February Second Sunday in Lent	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Kathy Eaglesham Birthday memories (M.J.M.)
	4pm	Evening Prayer & Benediction
MONDAY 22nd The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 23rd	7.00 p.m.	Jimmy Dunlop (B.D.)
WEDNESDAY 24th	10.00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Wood Family (J.B.)
THURSDAY 25th	10.00 a.m. 12.30pm	Terence McCartney (M.McC.) Stations of the Cross Led by Year 6 pupils
FRIDAY 26th	10.00 a.m.	Terry McCarron (M.J.M.)
SATURDAY 27th	10.00 a.m.	Dennis Taylor (J.& B.)
NEXT SUNDAY 28th FEBRUARY Third Sunday in Lent	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Norah Heaney (J.& B.)

Please remember in your prayers



»**all the sick**, especially Pastor Steve Bond, Elsie Clapp, Roy Clarke, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Marion Gerrard, Brenda Gray, Jacob Gray, Marion Hartley, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Marie Slater, 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.

>>**those who have died recently:** Peggy Bamber, John Byrne

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Matthias Rogerson, David Reader, Victor Skitterall, Monica Lang, Joe Barber, Rose Fallon, Robert Presnail, Terence McCartney, baby Pip Clarke-Worrall, John Raynor, William Edward Wilson,



THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 28th February 2016 Third Sunday in Lent Luke 13: 1-9 Time for Repentance**

*We have seen how St Luke, in his gospel, places great emphasis on Jesus' message of repentance and forgiveness. At the beginning of Jesus' ministry Peter must admit his sinfulness before he is called to be an apostle; at the end, the good thief acknowledges his guilt and is welcomed into Jesus' kingdom. This gospel reading, with its historical examples and its parable, reinforces the Old Testament lesson of repentance. Notice also how, in Luke's account of the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax-Collector, the latter wins through: his prayer is only 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner'. Every proclamation of the gospel in Luke's Acts of the Apostles ends with an appeal for repentance. Repentance means not simply bewailing our sins but doing something about it, changing our way of life, our scale of values. However, we are made in the image of God, and cannot expect God's forgiveness unless we too follow God's example and show the same forgiveness to others. The sinful woman who loved much was forgiven much (Luke 7:36-50). Nor is Luke the only evangelist to stress this point. Matthew adds at the end of the Lord's Prayer the saying of Jesus which underlines the importance of the single petition, 'Forgive us our sins as we forgive others'. **If you think of yourself as the fig-tree, what do you consider to be the most 'rotten' part of yourself that you really need to change? Would the sacrament of reconciliation help? What sort of injury do you find it hardest to forgive - an affront to your pride, your pocket or your person? Is there anyone you have not forgiven?***
Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

SATURDAY 5th March – CONFIRMATION PREPARATION in "The Green Hut" at St. Wulstan's from 11.30a.m. – 12.30 p.m. All candidates must try to be present. Thank you.

Lenten Ecumenical Study Groups for 5 weeks – THE PSALMS - Prayers for Today's Church in St. Wulstan's Green Room on Tuesday 23rd February at 12 noon and in the Millennium Room at St. Mary's Church on Wednesday 24th February at 7:30p.m. Info: 876176

FLOWER ARRANGERS – HELP IS NEEDED ON A FORTNIGHTLY BASIS. We have an eager new recruit, more are welcome. You do not need to be an expert, just an enthusiast. Please speak with Fr. Michael or Bill.

New Eucharistic Ministers Rotas are at the back of church.

Many thanks for recent donations: a bequest of £1,000 to the parish was received from the estate of Ray Melville; £1,000 was donated anonymously for the Church building Fund; £33.20 was left in baskets at the back of church after the funeral of Suzanne Harris; £50 was given in memory of Nellie Wilson and a further £45 was donated to the recent Survive – M.I.V.A. appeal. Thank you for your generosity.