

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 5th February 2017

No. 87 Anne Towler £ 50
No. 11 Hilda Hockings £ 15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **144**

8.30 – 61

10:30 – 83

Offertory: £491.32

Candles: £ 102.47

Books/Papers:

St. Anthony:

Building Fund:

World Needy: £ 49.06

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Week beginning 19th February

Readers : Paula M. / Anne T.

Ministers: Peter J. / Barbara L.
Diane S. / Judith H.

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

J. Jackson & M. Chew

Refreshments after Mass

No named group



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Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

Deacon: **Rev. Bill Wright**

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.**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th February 2017

All-seeing God, you alone judge rightly our inmost thoughts. Teach us to observe your law from the heart even as we keep it outwardly.

Purify our desires, calm every anger, and reconcile us to one another.

Then will our worship at your altar render you perfect praise. 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.

Fr. Michael's 40th Anniversary of Ordination

As part of his celebration Fr. Michael would like anybody who wishes to, to join him for a week at Palazzola outside Rome from 23rd to 30th April 2018. The cost will be £695 for standard room or £795 for en-suite. There are booking forms and further information at the back of church, or have a word with Deacon Bill.

Castlerigg Manor are looking for young volunteers to join the gap-year team from now to summer 2017. This is a life changing opportunity to live in community and work with young people, transforming their lives through encounter with Christ. We are looking for young people aged 18+ with commitment to their faith and a desire to share this with other young people. See www.castleriggmanor.co.uk of email team@castleriggmanor.co.uk for more details.

Fleetwood Churches Together – Lenten Lunches begin Friday 3rd March at St. Nicholas with St. Wulstan's is to be held at St. Wulstan's, followed by Women's World Day of Prayer. St. Peter's with St. Mary's is confirmed as Friday 24th March. A list of all dates will be displayed in the porch. Full list of dates and venues in the church porch.

This year is the 150 Anniversary of when Mass was first celebrated here in St. Mary's Please support the events which have been arranged throughout the year starting with the Parish Dinner on Saturday 6th May at the North Euston.

Sunday 12th Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Rose and Joe Murphy (M.J.M.)
MONDAY 13th	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 14th Sts. Cyril & Methodius	7.00 p.m.	Rose Mansell (B. McC.)
WEDNESDAY 15th	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
THURSDAY 16th	10.00 a.m.	Mary Wharton (C.M.)
	2 p.m.	Funeral Service for Alan Brear
FRIDAY 17th	10.00 a.m.	Stuart Edwards (B. & J.)
SATURDAY 18th	10.00 a.m.	John O'Malley (T.P.)
Next Sunday 19th Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Joseph Greer (P. & B.C.)

Please remember in your prayers



» **all the sick**, especially: Greta Carus, Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Mark Earnshaw (Kathy's brother), Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Rosemary Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Mark Surelock, Frank Ward, Winifred White.

» **the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, P. Warwick



>> **those who have died recently**: Alan Brear, Teresa Hayhurst, Gerard Kirk, Josie Tester, Paula Young

and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: John Casey, Kathleen Siddall, Colin Dewhurst, Joseph Patrick Murphy, Patrick McDermott, Thomas Worden, Agnes Ward, Mary Lennox, Harry Godfrey, Charles Godfrey, Joan Hadgraft, Maureen Bernadette King, Ann Latus, Wilfrid Hurworth, Terence McCartney, William Haslam, Agnes Jane Tipping, David Reader, Robert Swann

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 19th February 2017 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Matthew 5:38-48 Jesus completes the Law**

Following on from the four adjustments of the Law in last Sunday's gospel come two more, perhaps the most demanding. The Law of Moses had limited revenge: only a tooth might be taken for a tooth, only an eye for an eye, not life itself. Jesus, however, will not tolerate even this limited vengeance; he allows no revenge at all. Again and again in the course of the gospel Jesus returns to this need for unconditional forgiveness. We daringly engage ourselves with this teaching whenever we say the Lord's Prayer, 'forgive us just as we forgive...'. The final demand, however, is the most challenging of all. There is in fact no passage of the canonical scripture which encourages 'hate your enemy'. In any case, just as God lavishes his benefits of life, sun and rain on good and evil alike, so we must put no limits to our love. Only in this way – think of the first reading! – can we attempt to honour and imitate the holiness of God. This is what it means to be a son of God, 'sons of your Father in heaven': only by following in his way and by fulfilling his designs can we be integrated into his family. There can be no enmity in Christianity.

***Can I really forgive with no trace of animosity?
Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB***

Diary

"Understanding our Faith" - Next meeting Friday 24th February at 4p.m in the presbytery. All welcome.

Saturday, 18th February – Formation Day for Readers at Our Lady and St. Edward's, Preston 11a.m. Led by Fr. John Millar, looking into the spirituality of readers and some practical hints. Tel: 01772 796053

Lancaster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, led by Bishop Michael Campbell - Tuesday, 26th- Friday 29th September.

How are your computing skills?

Cardinal Allen has a very willing group of students who would love to help anyone with their IT issues. All abilities welcome. Tuesdays 3-4p.m. Contact Mr. Harding at 01253 872659 for any more information.