

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

8th April 2018

No. 30 Teresa Grassie £ 50

No. 73 S. Penton £ 15

15th April 2018

No. 223 Joan Wattley £ 50

No. 40 Betty Brady £ 15

LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance: **125**

8.30 - 52

10:30 - 73

Offertory: £ 453.52

Candles: £107.74

Books/Papers:

St. Anthony:

Building Fund: £12.46

World Needy: £53.93

PARISH MASS BOOK + YEAR B

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Preface III of Easter: "Christ living and always interceding for us" p.60

Eucharistic Prayer I : p18

Week beginning 29th April

Readers: Anne D. / Lorraine R.

Ministers: Peter J. / Julie B.
Judith H. / Charlie W.

Church Cleaning

Children's Liturgy

Judith & Maureen

Refreshments after Mass

Doreen & Kathleen



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Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

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.**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

22nd April 2018

Heritage Lottery Fund : Last Tuesday I and a small group of parishioners, Elaine and Ian Porteous, Geoff Stubbs and Helen Swatton, met with Ken Dennis, the Diocesan Property Manager and Rob Harrington, an architect. We are going to apply to the Heritage Lottery Fund in the hope of receiving funding to restore and re-decorate St. Mary's Church. I will be approaching other individuals in the parish and asking them to become involved in this project. I ask everyone to pray that this project will be successful. Thank you.

Day of Recollection - The Blessed Sacrament and the Eucharistic Congress with Fr. Raphael S.S.S. a Blessed Sacrament Father. Saturday 28th April from 10.00a.m including Holy Mass at 12 noon. St. John Vianney's Parish centre, Glastonbury Avenue, Blackpool. All welcome! Bring a packed lunch - drinks provided Contact: 01253 692562

Castlerigg Events

Family Weekend (25th – 27th May) is an opportunity for families to come together for the weekend. There will be activities for all age groups and the opportunity to meet old friends and get to know new. Open to all families.

God of lasting love, fulfil your plan of salvation to gather into one fold the peoples of the whole world.

Let everyone on earth recognise your Christ as the Good Shepherd, who freely lays down his life to take it up again in power.

Grant this through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Sunday 22nd Fourth Sunday of Easter	8.30 a.m.	Richard & Brendan Wright [R.& B.W.]
	10.30 a.m. 4.00 p.m.	People of the Parish Evening Prayer, Adoration and Benediction
MONDAY 23rd St. George	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 24th	7.00 p.m.	Celebration of the Word
WEDNESDAY 25th St. Mark	10.00a.m.	Celebration of the Word
THURSDAY 26th	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
FRIDAY 27th	10.00a.m.	Celebration of the Word
SATURDAY 28th	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
Next Sunday 29th Fifth Sunday of Easter	8.30 a.m.	Alice & Michael McDaid (L.W.)
	10.30 a.m.	People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers



» **all the sick**, especially: Audrey Armour, Zephany Barretto, Louise Cantrell, Catalina Carreddu, Greta Carus, Janice Chadwick, Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Sarah Finley, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, June Jagger, Vivien Kloszek, Rosemary Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Joan Moss, Michael O'Sullivan, Bob Rawcliffe, Lidia Romanowska, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Harry Slater, Mark Surelock, Josie Tester, 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, Pamela Warwick

> **those who have died recently**: Margaret Ann Wilkinson, Michael Joseph O'Donoghue

> **and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week**: Stanley Duxbury, David Wilding, Elicia Vaughan, Basil Greer, Gladys McRoberts, Richard Wright, Stephen Davies, David Fitzmaurice, Kathleen Clarkson

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 29th April (John 15:1-8) The True Vine**

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

*A vine is an extraordinary plant. It can grow to a huge size, spreading over a wide area, a whole garden wall or trelliswork, from one single root, and producing a rich sap which yields grapes at the end of countless little branches. And then there is the business of pruning: cut it back thoroughly on all its many shoots and tendrils, and it seems only more determined to grow thick and strong. So the vine was the symbol of Israel, drawing from the Lord a sap which penetrated to all its shoots, and lovingly pruned by the gardener in a way which best encouraged its growth. The image was taken over by Jesus for his own community, the new Israel. Pairing with last week's picture of the good shepherd, it is one of the greatest of Jesus' images. It perfectly sums up the two emphases of this Sunday's other two readings. The only source of fruitful energy for the Christian is union with and dependence on the life flowing from Christ. Without that, the branches wither and die; a trimming cut off from a vine no longer has any chance of life. The vine itself at pruning season looks stark, rough and suffering. It is in fact bursting with new life. **What bits of your life need to be pruned away now? What more can you do to express the flow of Christ's life within you?***

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Diary

Wednesday, 25th April: Deanery Eastertide Mass at St. John Southworth, Cleveleys, at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, 2nd May: Deanery Eastertide Mass at St. Edmund's at 7.00p.m. All welcome.

Thursday, 3rd May: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in the Millennium Room at 7 p.m.

Quiz Night - 11th May at 7p.m. in the Millennium Room. Proceeds in aid of the **Youth Fund for Lourdes.**

Rosary on the Coast - Sunday 29th April at 3p.m. This service will be held at the site of the Old Pier in Fleetwood.

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding its annual Pro-Life Chain in Blackpool, "On the Prom in front of the Tower" on Saturday 28th April, 11a.m. to 1p.m.