



Newsletter

23rd June 2024

12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston

WHO CAN THIS BE? EVEN THE WIND AND THE SEA OBEY HIM



In today's Gospel the disciples learn more about Jesus. Here he is revealed to have authority even over the wind and the waves, authority over creation, the authority of God.

This is a good passage to spend some time with, perhaps to imagine ourselves there in the boat with Jesus and the disciples. We can imagine their fear when they find themselves in the middle of a gale which threatens to overwhelm them. Meanwhile Jesus is calmly asleep. Jesus' response to the disciples' distress is to calm the sea and the wind and is to say to them, "Why are you so frightened? How is it you have no faith?"

Sometimes, we can be like those disciples. We can understand their fear and lack of faith. The troubles of our lives and our world can overwhelm us. We can wonder where God is in all of this. We can begin to doubt God's goodness and God's power. Alternatively we can just try and avoid what is going on. For example, four out of ten people say they sometimes or often avoid the news. Today's Gospel is a reassurance that it is God's world. As God points out to Job in the first reading, God is in control. Like the apostles we are called to recognise that Christ has authority over the wind and the waves, including the wind and the waves of our own lives. That does not mean we will not experience the storms. Rather, in the middle of the storms, we can have confidence that Christ is with us. He says to us too,

““Why are you so frightened? How is it you have no faith?”

Chris Pedley, S.J

UNVEILED

21 JUNE
5 JULY
@ 7.30pm

Scripture, Talk, Praise and Worship
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fr Tharanga Saminathan SJ will be covering 12.15pm and Vigil Masses on Saturday 22 June, and 7am Mass on Sunday 23 June whilst Fr Hugh is away. Fr Tharanga is from Sri Lanka and is doing a Master's degree in Counselling Psychology at Goldsmiths College in London. He is based at the Laudato Si' Jesuit Community in Clapham.

Welcome Fr Tharanga!

St Walburge's Summer Fair
Sunday, 23rd June from
12.30 to 3.30pm

Food, games, etc. Fun for the whole family. All welcome!

**St Walburge's Hall, Weston Street,
PR1 1TW**

Gift and Card Shop
Open Sunday after 10.15 Mass,
Monday & Friday
11.15am-1.15pm

Closed on other days.

**Can you volunteer to help?
Ring 01772 554396
or call in the shop.**

**Celebrate the
Feast of St Ignatius**



BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Wednesday 31st July
4pm to 8.30pm
at Stonyhurst

Museum tour, Mass celebrated by
Fr Provincial & BBQ
Coach provided - £10 donation.
See flier for info.

**Contact Parish Administrator
to book 01772 554396**



Thanks Tony for the beautiful
flower baskets.

Your Voice Matters



Jesuit Missions has developed a variety of resources to help you prepare for the upcoming general election. There is much at stake, and Catholic Social Teaching has many insights to help in the decision making process.

Visit our website

<https://jesuitmissions.org.uk/> for more information.

A Year of Encounter:

Take part in hustings in your local area

Going along to events held locally where candidates are asked questions - known as 'hustings' - is a great way of drawing attention to the issues that matter most to your parish. These events are often held in local churches or community centres, and details are advertised online.



Find out where hustings might be taking place in your constituency. Encourage people from your parish to take part and ask questions about the issues that we as Catholics want to see candidates commit to tackle after the general election.

Be ready to speak to candidates on your doorstep



During this general election campaign, candidates and campaigners might knock on your door to ask for your vote - known as 'canvassing'.

This is another great opportunity to draw attention to the issues that matter most to you and your parish. What issues could you raise with candidates if you get the chance to speak to them on the doorstep. The more people in the area calling for action on the same issues, the stronger the message sent to candidates! For more information

YEAR OF ENCOUNTER is an initiative between the SVP's and CAFOD's it wants to help the Catholic voice be heard in the General Election, and it wants to make sure our politicians make tackling poverty a priority. Bishop Paul adds his support.

Chaplaincy Services for Students and Young Adults

Metanoia Project are now officially offering Chaplaincy Services for Students and Young Adults on behalf of the Diocese of Lancaster and St. Wilfrid's Parish. Further info about groups and events please contact ioe@metanoiaproject.co.uk

DO NOT LEAVE YOUR BAGS AND VALUABLES UNATTENDED IN CHURCH

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Parish Website www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk

Sun 23 12th Sunday	Job 3:1,8-11 (Ps 106)	Mark 4:35-41
Mon 24 Feria	2 Cor 5:14-17 (Ps 138)	Luke 1:57-66,80
Tue 25 Our Lady of Fernyhalgh	Isaiah 49:1-6 (Ps 103)	John 4:14
Wed 26 Feria	Acts 13:22-26 (Ps 118)	Matt 7:15-20
Thu 27 Feria	Isaiah 49:8-10 (Ps 78)	Matt 7:21-29
Fri 28 St Iranæus	2 Kings 22:8-13,23:1-3 (Ps 136)	Matt 8:1-4
Sat 29 Feria	2 Kings 24:8-17 (Ps 73)	Matt 8:5-17
	Fri 28 St Iranæus	
	2 Kings 25:1-12	
	Lament 2:2,10-14,18-19	

Mass & Confession Times

Saturday

Confessions 11am to 12.10pm &
5-5.30pm

Mass 12.15pm Vigil 5.35pm

Sunday

Masses 7, 10.15am & 4.30pm

Monday to Friday

Confessions 11.50am to 12.10pm



For Jesuit Vocations
every Monday
11:30 -12 noon

LIFE  ASCENDING

Ascent Group Thursday
11am in Parish Centre.
Coffee 10.45am.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Lately Dead Mary Vaughen RIP

Anniversaries Kathleen Towers, Philip Platt

Those who are sick: Patrick

Joyce Lyons, Brendan Rawsthorn, Norman Gaskell,
Fr Joseph D'Ambrosio CSSp, Fr Michael Murphy.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



June's Intention -

For those fleeing their own countries

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

LITTLE CHURCH

During 10.15 Sunday Mass

Please send items for the Newsletter to

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or call Parish Administrator 01772 554396