



St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston

Newsletter

3rd July, 2022

14th Sunday of the Year

SENT INTO THE HARVEST

One of the things which was important in my decision to become a Jesuit was the idea of religious poverty. In other words, taking a vow which meant I would have nothing of my own but that anything I used would belong to my religious order for the work of proclaiming the Gospel, in whatever form my vow of obedience might direct me. Today's Gospel about not taking anything surplus and depending on the generosity of others who believed in the work being undertaken was very attractive.

One of the ironies of my life has been that I have spent something like twenty-five years helping to manage the affairs of the charitable trust of the British Province of the Society of Jesus, which is one of the largest Catholic charities in Britain and supports work all over the country and also abroad. This involves rather more than a spare tunic. You

encounter this work, not just in this Parish but also through the other work of the Jesuits and their partners in mission. Have a look at the magazine "Jesuits and Friends". Much of this work is supported by investing the resources given by previous generations of benefactors. That is particularly true of this Parish.

Jesuit priests are required to offer Mass once a month for our benefactors. We should take some time to give thanks for those benefactors, for example those who built our church. It is through their generosity that we are able to do what we do today.

Incidentally, one way you can be part of this long history of supporting the work of proclaiming the Gospel is by using a standing order or a offertory envelope for your donations. This will enable you to Gift Aid your donation and the Church will get back the tax you paid on the amount. Let us know if you would like to do this.

We are all called to go out into the harvest and proclaim the Kingdom. There are all sorts of ways in which we do that. It may be by contributing to the work of the Church or through what we say or how we use our time. We give thanks for all those who have shaped our lives to enable us to play our part in the mission of the Church.





Most of the Covid 19 restrictions have now been removed but you are encouraged to continue to use face coverings, sanitizer, and social distancing when in the church.



The Metanoia Wednesday night Drop In say thank you for all the recent donations and are still looking for certain items - Socks and new underwear, Men's trainers (Especially size 8&9), Rucksacks, Sleeping Bags, Shower Gel and Deodorant, T-Shirts and Polo Shirts, Men's Jeans (Especially Size 30-36), Tracksuit Bottoms, Tops and Coats.. If you are able to donate, please place in the blue box at the back of church or speak to one of the Metanoia team. Thank you very much for your support

Silver Jubilee

– thank you from Fr Peter Randall SJ

Many thanks for your cards, messages, and prayers. The best part of the jubilee was receiving these!

Life is somewhat quieter since Easter, apart from the annual four day retreat we led for diocesan clergy in May. Fr Dermot Preston put together a Sunday Worship programme on Radio 4, during Lent, and this was very much appreciated by many who heard it. We offer spiritual direction to local clergy as part of Bishop Robert Byne's request of our mission.

Tyne and Wear Citizens has launched some effective campaigns involving the living wage, promotion of racial justice, more proportionate school meal and bus travel costs, and school-based counsellors. St Thomas More Catholic Academy has been a leading institution in these. I write this as something to celebrate, not because I've had much to do with these successes.



St Dominic's (left) has no hall to speak of, because a very worthwhile SVP /refugee project uses the former parish hall. The SVP project is on a very different scale and status to any "normal" parish SVP.

We are still trying to re-emerge from the pandemic, like everyone else, but what we three Jesuits cannot easily envisage is what St Dominic's was like before April

2020! We continue to celebrate Masses daily as part of a city centre partnership, in three locations besides St Dominic's. Forming working relationships and taking opportunities as they arise is a slow process, so who knows what will develop in this mission! With prayers and good wishes for all of you at St Wilfrid's.



St. Mary's Fernyhalgh & Ladyewell Shrine

Lancaster Diocesan Pilgrimage

9th July, 2022 ~ 11.00 am

Led by
Bishop Paul Swarbrick
Praying for World Peace



An evening of prayer & praise, through music, scripture, talk & Adoration. Please do join us @ 7.30 pm on Friday 8th July.

Ever wondered how our global food system works and how it harms the poorest?



fix food system

Come to a CAFOD special event and find out

St Mary Newhouse, Station Lane, Barton

Sat 16 July at 11 am. Bring a picnic

For more information contact
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Fr Paul FletcherSJ sends you all his thanks once again. He continues to receive your cards and good wishes for his Silver Jubilee.

Feast of St Ignatius
Sun 31st July 1-6pm at **Stonyhurst**. Some coach places remain. Sign up in the Narthex.

Sea Sunday 2022



STELLA MARIS

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. Sea Sunday is next Sunday 10th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea.



With the Jesuit Community for Jesuit Vocations

every Monday 11:30

LITTLE CHURCH

ALL children welcome during 10.15am Mass.

Ascent Group meet at 11 am on **Thursdays**.

Coffee 10.45am. New members most welcome.



The next meeting of the **Faith and Justice Group**, to which all are invited, is **after the 10.15 Mass on Sunday 17th July** in the Parish Centre.

CHAPLAINCY ASSISTANT

Assisting the Project Directors in providing vibrant, Christ-centred, full-time Chaplaincy Services at a local Catholic High School and creating a new full-time provision for Catholic University Students and Young Adults **37hrs/week £18,500pa + pension**



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Application Pack www.metanoiaproject.co.uk/chaplaincy-assistant

METANOIA PROJECT
Proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom

Closing Date for Applications: 9pm Monday 4th July
Interview Weekend: Friday 8th - Sunday 10th July
Start Date: Monday 22nd August

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Sun 3	14 th Sunday of the Year	Isaiah 66:10-14	(Ps 65)	Gal 6:14-18
Mon 4	Feria <i>St Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22	(Ps 144)	Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
Tue 5	Feria <i>St Anthony Zaccaria</i>	Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13	(Ps 113B)	Matt 9:18-26
Wed 6	Feria <i>St Maria Goretti</i>	Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12	(Ps 104)	Matt 9:32-38
Thu 7	Feria	Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9	(Ps 79)	Matt 10:1-7
Fri 8	Feria	Hosea 14:2-10	(Ps 50)	Matt 10:7-15
Sat 9	St Leo Ignatius Mangin SJ Mary Zhu Wu & Companions	Isaiah 6:1-8	(Ps 92)	Matt 10:16-23 Matt 10:24-33

Masses & Confession Times

Saturday

Confessions 11.15am to 12.15pm

Mass 12.15pm

Confessions 5 to 5.30pm

Vigil 5.35pm

Sunday

Masses 7, 10.15am & 4.30pm

Monday to Friday

Confessions 11.50am - 12.10pm

Mass 12.15pm

Monday

Adoration 11.30am-12pm

The church is open daily

Saturday 10-6.15 Sunday 6.45-5.30

Monday, Thursday, Friday 11.30-6.00

Tuesday, Wednesday 11.30-5.30

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

those recently dead:

anniversaries: Maria Belous, Lena Higney
Annunziata Matiuk. Freda Holdsworth
Catherine Finch, David Roache

those who are sick: Theresa Wilkinson,
Susan Craft, Barbara Clark, Pauline Wilding,
Joyce Lyons & Simon Osborne.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



July's Intention: *For the Elderly*

We pray for the elderly who represent the roots and memories of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Deaf Community Welcome

British Sign Language signed
Mass 4.30pm Sunday 10 July
with Fr Paul Fletcher SJ
Please sit in the front pews.



Sanctuary Bookshop is now open most
Monday & Fridays 11.15 to 1.30
with tea & coffee after Monday &
Friday Mass, also during
Coffee after 10.15 Mass on Sunday

Signed Mass recordings at www.catholicdeaf.org.uk