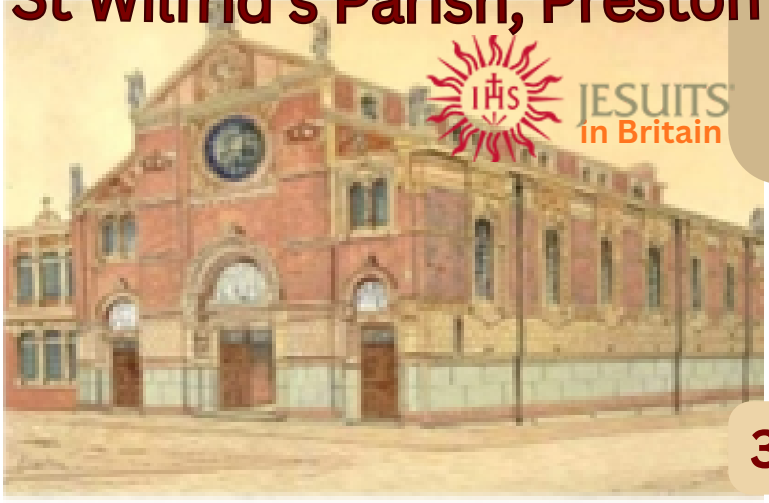
St Wilfrid's Parish, Preston



Newsletter

15 November 2026

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

PARABLE OF THE TALENTS

For nearly thirty years I have been a member of the Jesuits in Britain Investment Committee. Our job is to make sure that the Province's resources are invested in a way that is secure, ethical and in the best way to provide the funds needed to support the Jesuits' various activities for the greater glory of God. Much of this involves monitoring the work of our different fund managers. I can, therefore, identify with the man in today's Gospel who entrusts his servants with his money.

The Gospel is a reminder to us that all we have is a gift from God to be used in his service. Do we recognise that they are not simply ours to do what we like with but are given to us for a purpose? What profit do we bring to our Master in heaven in terms of service to our brothers and sisters and to the church.

Just as with investments there will be times when we need to vary our approach. (In uncertain times like these, if the man with the one talent had invested the money with the bankers, he might have received praise for being wisely risk-averse). We too need to discern what is the best way of using the gifts we have been given. Both as individuals and collectively, we need to ask for the Spirit to guide us in the decisions we make so that the Lord may say to us, "Well done good and faithful servant".

Chris Pedley, S.J.

(based on the article in 2023)

Fr Hugh and Fr Chris will be away at a Jesuit Meeting from Monday 16 afternoon to Friday 20 November.

Memorial Mass

On Sunday 22 November at the 10.15am Mass those who had their funeral service at St Wilfrid's in the last year will be especially remembered. The next of kin and families are invited to this Memorial Mass.

Holy Souls

Throughout November you can remember the faithful departed by writing their name on a paper provided in the Narthex. Place your paper in the Holy Souls Box. The papers will be moved onto the Sanctuary for you.

The Pope's Prayer Intention For November

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those with less.

First Holy Communion & Reconcilation Classes 2027

If you would like your child (Y3 & older) to make their First Holy Communion and Reconciliation at St Wilfrid's Church in 2027 please email Fr Chris Pedley **cpedleysj@jesuit.org.uk** or Monica Holdsworth **holdsworthmonica@gmail.com** and we will let you know when lessons are due to start - Saturday mornings next year in the Parish Centre.

Lector Meeting

Saturday 21 November 10:30am- 12noon.

Parish Quiz in aid of the Jude Orphanage, Zambia

Friday 20 November @ 7pm. Tickets from the shop & Maria Hall.

Annual Carol Service

with the choirs of Cardinal Newman College, Our Lady's High School, St Wilfrid's Parish choir & African choir

Sunday 13 December @6.30pm

DO NOT LEAVE BAGS UNATTENDED IN CHURCH

Parish Pastoral Council
Ernest Ezeani, Andrew Dawson, Jen Murphy, Margaret Nelson, Maria Hall, Lee Unsworth, Ruth White, Anjana Linus, Fr Chris Pedley SJ & Fr Hugh Duffy SJ meet monthly.

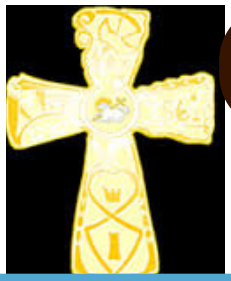
Donate to St Wilfrid's
At the back of Church there are 2 machines in the Narthex to donate by credit or debit card.
Online via the website **www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk** click on the **DONATE** button and follow the instructions.

St Wilfrid's Gift & Card Shop

Cash & cards taken

Advent & Christmas cards, Calendars now in stock

Opening Times: After 10.15am Sunday Mass
Monday AND Friday 11.30am to 1pm



Metanoia Project @ St Wilfrid's

Tuesdays 6-7.30pm Hot Meal Drop In Parish Centre
Wednesdays 6.30pm Clothes Drop In Church Narthex

Students & Young Adults

University of Lancashire

The Parish of St Wilfrid's welcomes University of Lancashire students.
Join us for 4.30pm Mass on Sundays at St Wilfrid's followed by our student group meeting in the Parish Centre.
Also other events in the week.

JOE WHITE, UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN
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Mass Readings Sunday 15 to Saturday 21 November

Sunday Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Ps 128 1Thessalonians 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30
Monday Revelation 1:1-4;2:1-5 Ps 1 Luke 18:45-43
Tuesday Revelation 3:1-6,14-22 Ps 15 Luke 19:1-10
Wednesday Revelation 4:1-11 Ps 150 Luke 19:11-18
Thursday Revelation 5:1-10 Ps 149 Luke 19:41-44
Friday Revelation 10:8-11 Ps 119 Luke 19:45-48
Saturday Revelation 11:4-12 Ps 144 Luke 20:27-40 Presentation of Bld VMary

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Our website: stwilfridspreston.org.uk

Church open 8am-6pm

WE PRAY FOR

Those who died recently:

Anniversaries: Edward Ward, John Brennan, Deacon Bill Adams, Jean Sheridan, Brendan Rossall, Fr John Fairhurst SJ

Those who are sick: Brendan Rawsthorn, Norman Gaskell, Doreen Flynn, Agnes Partington, Janet Hadfield

MASS & CONFESSIONS

EXPOSITION: MONDAY 11.30AM TO 12NOON
WEDNESDAY 5.15 TO 5.45PM

Sunday Masses **7am**
10.15am with Choir and Little Church
After Mass Tea/coffee in Parish Centre. Gift & Card Shop open
4.30pm with Music Group
After Mass Student Group meeting in Parish Centre

Monday to Friday **Confessions 11.50am-12.10pm**
Mass 12.15pm

Saturday **Confessions 11am-12.10pm**
Mass 12.15pm
Confessions 5-5.30pm
VIGIL MASS 5.35PM

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