



# Newsletter

14th July 2024

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston**

## GO PROPHECY TO MY PEOPLE

In today's first reading the prophet Amos explains why he has begun preaching to the people of Israel. He was not the obvious person, he was a shepherd and looked after sycamores. (Until I looked it up, I could not understand why he was cultivating sycamores, however, the middle eastern sycamores are a kind of fig rather than the relatives of the maple we have in this country). However, he was called by God to be a prophet, to bring God's message to His people.

We might think that this story from the distant past has nothing to do with us. However, when we are baptised we are anointed with oil of chrism. This is a sign of being given the Holy Spirit to carry out a role. It is the oil used in Confirmation, in the ordination of priests and in the coronation of kings. In baptism we are anointed to share in the mission of Christ as priest, prophet and king. This means that, like Amos, we are called to be prophets. We are called to proclaim that Good News which we see spelled out in the second reading.

In the Gospel the disciples are sent out by Jesus to go ahead of him, to preach and to heal. They go with only the message they proclaim. They are not to rely on material resources or their own talents. This encourages us in our role of proclaiming the Good News to our world by what we say and how we live our lives. Chris Pedley, S.J.



Celebrate the  
Feast of St Ignatius



**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> 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**

**Come and hear about CAFOD's work**

**in Sierra Leone:** Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July,  
4 – 5 pm, at Our Lady & St Gerard's  
Church, Lostock Hall, Preston (PR5 5TB).

Hear CAFOD's Michel Monginda-  
Mondengele speak about his direct  
experience of CAFOD's impact in  
Sierra Leone. Light refreshments  
provided. Contact Patrick  
Gardner [lancaster@cafod.org.uk](mailto:lancaster@cafod.org.uk) if you  
require further details.



**LITTLE CHURCH**

During 10.15 Sunday Mass  
Next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July, will  
be the last Little Church  
before the summer break.  
After a well earned rest  
it will return in September.

LIFE  ASCENDING

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



### SEA SUNDAY

This Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July is Sea Sunday.  
Today we pray for seafarers and  
fishers around the world.

We will be taking a collection for  
Stella Maris (formerly the Apostleship  
of the Sea) for the work they do in  
ministering to seafarers & fishers.

**Happy 100th birthday  
to Angela Harrison**

(formerly Slater, nee  
Caton) on 15<sup>th</sup> July.  
If you wish to send  
greetings Angela is cared  
for at Springfield Manor  
Gardens, 228 Garstang  
Road, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 9QB.



**DO NOT LEAVE YOUR BAGS AND VALUABLES UNATTENDED IN CHURCH**

**Gift and Card Shop**  
**Open Sunday after 10.15 Mass**  
**and Monday & Friday**  
**11.15am-1.15pm**  
**NEW OPENING HOURS**

The bookshop will be open from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm every Tuesday from now on by The Tuesday Drop In Team.

**CASTLERIGG MANOR**

Keswick CA12 4AR

**OPEN DAY**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Doors open at Midday.

Mass with Bishop Paul at 3pm.

A great chance to visit Castlerigg and hopefully have a bit of fun!

**OPEN WEEKENDS**

6-8<sup>th</sup> September

will be a 'quiet weekend' for adults hopefully providing a chance to get away from it all and enjoy Keswick and the Lakes. There will be Mass on site.

27-29<sup>th</sup> September

will be an open weekend for adults and families. Again, there will be Mass on site, plus a quiz night for the adults.

**To Book**

online at [Castleriggmanor.com](http://Castleriggmanor.com)  
or call **017687 72711**



*The firstfruits of hope*  
(Rom 8:19-25)

**TO HOPE AND ACT  
WITH CREATION**

SEASON OF CREATION 2024



**The Season of Creation  
starts on 1<sup>st</sup> September.**

**During the next few  
months Jesuit Missions  
will be sending information about  
ways in which the parish and  
individuals can be involved.**

**PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR EARLY  
DIAGNOSIS OF DISEASES AND CANCERS**

Researchers from UCLan are calling for members of the public to help with a ground-breaking project investigating early detection of cancers and diseases.

Participants need to be males aged between 40 and 65 years old. They will be asked to complete a short questionnaire and provide blood and urine samples.

Testing will be carried out at UCLan on the 16th and 17th of September. If you wish to participate, please fill in the questionnaire: <https://redcap.link/firefighterstudy> or send an email to [FCDR@uclan.ac.uk](mailto:FCDR@uclan.ac.uk).

**Please see poster at the back of church  
for more information.**

**Cleator Pilgrimage**

*Our Lady - Guide of the Wanderer*



**Sunday 8th September 2024**

Mass and Blessing of the Sick 3.00pm

Principal Celebrant and Preacher:  
Bishop Paul Swarbrick

For further details please contact:  
St Mary's Priory, Cleator, CA23 3AB (Tel: 01946 810324)

Email: [stmandstj@gmail.com](mailto:stmandstj@gmail.com)

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Superior of the Jesuit Community: Fr. Hugh Duffy SJ (554387)

Parish Website [www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk](http://www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk)

Sun 14	15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Amos 7:12-15 Eph 1:3-14	(Ps 84)	Mark 6:7-13
Mon 15	St Bonaventure	Isaiah 1:10-17	(Ps 49)	Matt 10:34-11:1
Tue 16	Feria <i>Our Lady of Mt Carmel</i>	Isaiah 7:1-9	(Ps 113)	Matt 11:10-24
Wed 17	Feria	Isaiah 10:5-7,13-16	(Ps 93)	Matt 11:25-27
Thu 18	Feria	Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19	(Ps 33)	Matt 19:27-29
Fri 19	Lancashire Martyrs	Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22	(Ps 50)	Matt 10:16-23
Sat 20	Feria	Micah 2:1-5	(Ps 9)	Matt 12:14-21

## Mass & Confession Times

### Saturday

Confessions 11am to 12.10pm &  
5-5.30pm

Mass 12.15pm Vigil 5.35pm

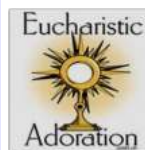
### Sunday

Masses 7, 10.15am & 4.30pm

### Monday to Friday

Confessions 11.50am to 12.10pm

Mass 12.15pm



For Jesuit Vocations  
every Monday  
11:30 -12 noon

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

### Lately Dead

Anniversaries Robert Rawsthorn, Anne Freeman

Those who are sick: Fr Joseph D'Ambrosio CSSp,  
Joyce Lyons, Brendan Rawsthorn, Norman Gaskell,  
Fr Michael Murphy.



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



## July's Intention -

### For the pastoral care of the sick

Let us pray that the sacrament of the anointing of the sick bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

This Friday we remember eight martyrs from Preston, Garstang & Fylde area who were martyred elsewhere including St John Plessington, St John Wall OFM, Blessed Thomas Cottam SJ, William Harcourt SJ, William Marsden, George Haydock, John Sandys & George Beesley.

Please send items for the Newsletter to [stwilfridspa@gmail.com](mailto:stwilfridspa@gmail.com)  
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