



Newsletter

21st July 2024

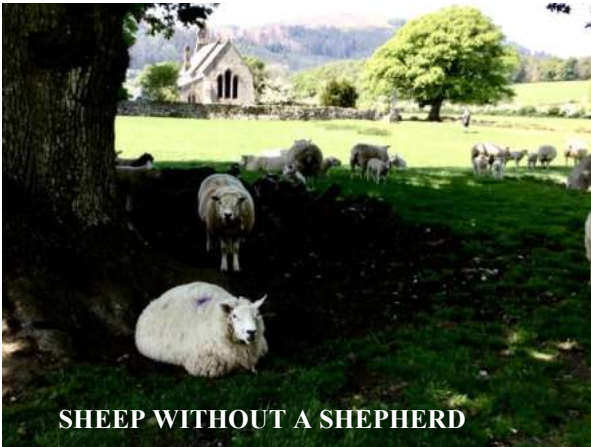
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston

JESUS TOOK PITY ON THEM

Our readings today are all about what God does for his people. They might be summed up in the words the Gospel uses about Jesus, "he took pity on them". In the first reading we have God promising that he will take over from the "shepherds" who have let down his people. He will gather them back from exile and he promises a descendent of David who will save his people and, in contrast to those other shepherds, he will be called the "Lord-our-integrity". In the second reading it is Christ who, by his blood, has reconciled both Jew and gentile with God, making them one body. All of us receive the Spirit. Finally, in the Gospel, we see Jesus trying to provide an opportunity for quiet and rest for his disciples who have been travelling round teaching

and healing, preparing the way for Jesus. However, when they get to the quiet place the crowds have got there before them and Jesus "takes pity on them". Despite the weariness of himself and the disciples he teaches the crowd at length, "because they were like sheep without a shepherd".



SHEEP WITHOUT A SHEPHERD

Jesus is the shepherd who was promised and he takes pity on us in our own need. Through his cross and resurrection he brings us his reconciliation and peace, whoever we are and whatever our background. Today we give thanks for our Good Shepherd, who cares for us and gives us life. We are called to share in that pity of Christ for those in need and invited to respond to them like Jesus, even when we are weary ourselves.

Chris Pedley, S.J.

Celebrate the
Feast of St Ignatius

BOOKING ESSENTIAL



MUSEUM TOUR FULLY BOOKED

A few coach seats still available

Wednesday 31st July
4pm to 8.30pm
at Stonyhurst

Mass celebrated by Fr Provincial
& BBQ (museum tour now fully
booked)

Coach provided - £10 donation.
See flier for info.

Contact Parish Administrator
to book 01772 554396



Fulwood Farmers' Market
with Fairtrade -
Saturday 27th July
9.30am-1pm

at Fulwood Methodist Church,

Come and stock up on fresh local
produce and Fairtrade products,
browse the New to You stalls, and
stay for a drink and a snack.

Do spread the word and hope to
see you there.

LIFE  ASCENDING

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



SEA SUNDAY

There will be a collection this weekend

"Thank you so much to Fr Philip Harrison,
S.J., the Assistant University Chaplain in
Manchester, for standing in last Sunday
while Fr Chris was off with Covid".

St Walburge's
Climb the Spire!



27th July
3rd & 10th Aug
2 - 5 pm

The ONLY chance this
summer to climb the 3rd
highest spire in the UK

All proceeds to the
restoration fund.



[www.tickettailor.com/events/
stwalburgesshrinechurch/1316985](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/stwalburgesshrinechurch/1316985)



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

Tuesday 10:30 am to 2:00 pm
Do feel free to drop in and look
round at our lovely cards, books
& children's gifts etc.



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

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



The Season of Creation
starts on 1st 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.

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

CASTLERIGG MANOR

Keswick CA12 4AR

OPEN DAY

Sunday 15th 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

6-8th 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.

27-29th 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
or call **017687 72711**



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

Parish Website www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk

Sun 21	16 th Sunday	Jer 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18	(Ps 22)	Mark 6:30-34
Mon 22	St Mary Magdalen	Song of Songs 3:1-4	(Ps 62)	John 20:1-2,11-18
Tue 23	St Bridget	Gal :19-20	(Ps 33)	John 15:1-8
Wed 24	Martyrs of Cumbria	Jer 1:1,4-10	(Ps 70)	Matt 13:1-9
Thu 25	St James	2 Cor 4:7-15	(Ps 125)	Matt 20:20-28
Fri 26	Sts Joachim & Anne	Jer 3:14-17	(Jer 31)	Matt 13:18-23
Sat 27	Feria	Jer 7:1-11	(Ps 83)	Matt 13:24-30

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 Sean Cragg RIP (Joan's son)

Anniversaries Monica Brierley, Wilfred Fletcher

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.

LITTLE CHURCH

**Last session this Sunday.
We will return in September**

Please send items for the Newsletter to stwilfridspa@gmail.com
or call Parish Administrator 01772 554396

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