



Newsletter

21st January 2024

3rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK



This week is Christian Unity Week. My apologies for not alerting you to this last week. Each year a Christian community from around the world provides material for reflection for this week. This year the material comes from Burkina Faso in Northern Africa. This is a community which has experienced a great deal of violence and insecurity. The passage they have chosen for our reflection is the parable of the Good Samaritan. The Churches Together in Britain and Ireland website says, "The parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the best known passages of Scripture, yet one that never seems to lose its power

to challenge indifference to suffering and to inspire solidarity. It is a story about crossing boundaries that calls our attention to the bonds that unite the whole human family.

In choosing this passage of Scripture for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the churches of Burkina Faso have invited us to join with them in a process of self-reflection as they consider what it means to love our neighbour in the midst of a security crisis. Communities in the British-Irish context may be less vulnerable to acts of mass violence than in Burkina Faso, but there are still many living with the memory and/or the threat of serious violence, centred on issues of identity and belonging. There are also groups within communities, including people from ethnic minority backgrounds and people seeking asylum, who feel particularly vulnerable to violence or being displaced by the threat of violence".



We are praying prayers from this material during Mass each day and we might like to reflect on Luke 10:25-37, seeing what it might say to us about our own call to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves. This may be in our relations with other Christians and with those of other cultural backgrounds, or it may be about how we can work with our brothers and sisters to respond to those in need. See

<https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2024/#:~:text=Dates,Paul>. For further details.

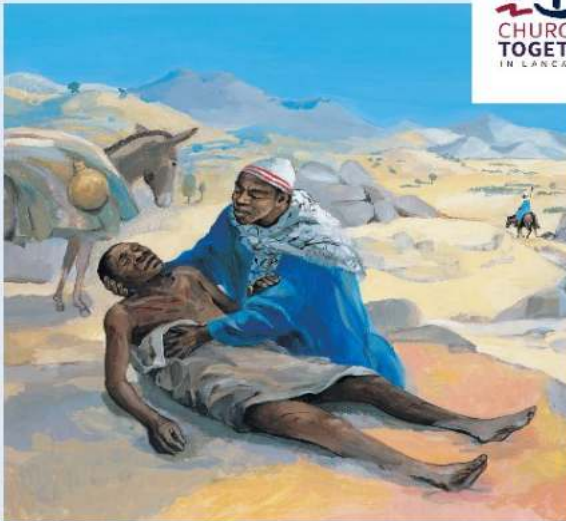
Chris Pedley, S.J

PARISH QUIZ NIGHT for the JUDE CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE,
ZAMBIA **THIS FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY** @7pm in the Parish Centre
Tickets £10 include a hot supper.

Available from the Card & Gift shop and Maria Hall
Proceeds will go towards supplying bunk beds, tables and
chairs for the dormitory which is nearly finished. You can
read more about this project at
<http://www.judechristianorphanage.com>
or on Facebook: Jude Christian Orphanage



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LANCASHIRE
ONLINE SERVICE FOR
THE WEEK OF PRAYER
FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



WEDNESDAY 24TH JANUARY 2024
7.30PM

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84859498489?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84859498489?pwd=SVB0Zlg0OVp2OHljU2h5U1ppcVVvsQT09)
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Meeting ID: 848 5949 8489 Passcode: 946264



**The First
Fulwood
Farmer's
Market of
2024**

Saturday 27th
January
9.30-1pm at
Fulwood
Methodist
Church,
Watling Street
Road
PR2 8EA.

Come and stock
up on fresh,
local and
Fairtrade
products.

Sanctuary Gift and Card shop

Open Mon & Fri 11.15-1.15 and during refreshments after 10.15 Mass on
Sunday. We offer a large selection of cards for most occasions
New stock arriving including St Patrick's Day cards

If any families would like their child (Y3 or older) to make their **First Holy Communion & Reconciliation** at St. Wilfrid's Church in 2024

please contact Fr. Chris

cpedleysj@jesuit.org.uk

or Monica Holdsworth

holdsworthmonica@gmail.com

and we will let you know when lessons are taking place – usually Saturdays in the Parish Centre.



**Jesuit Missions
Parish Appeal**
St. Wilfrid's Church,
**Saturday 27th &
Sunday 28th
January**
**To make a donation
use the QR code**



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 joe@metanoiaproject.co.uk

Sadly only 3 people met up last Sunday to meet Davinia. In the next few weeks we will be considering lots of different ideas. The Faith and Justice group at St Wilfrid's has existed for many years and used to have several members. Geoff, who was a member of The National Justice & Peace Network, along with Patrick & Chris Murray, worked to revive it. We hope to re-establish the F & J work in the parish and county. In a time when we see so much injustice it is good to do small practical things to help. Please join the Webinar on Wednesday.



citizensuk

Please see info below for our webinar on Community Organising in Lancashire and Catholic Social Teaching. We are really excited to be welcoming Sir John Battle, Fr Chris Hughes and Gerry Flannigan to share with us their experiences of working with Citizens UK and how community organising and catholic social teaching can work so well together. Please feel free to share this amongst your contacts and networks. We are keen for as many people to come along and learn about the work in other areas so that we can create some interest and aspiration in Lancashire to develop a diverse and strong alliance!

Community Organising in Lancashire: Catholic Social Teaching.

Guest Speakers: Sir John Battle, Leeds Citizens

Fr Chris Hughes, Hexham Diocese and Tyne and Wear Citizens.

Gerry Flannigan, Caritas Shrewsbury, Greater Manchester Citizens.

Date: 24 January, 2024. Time: 11am

Registration link: [Community Organising in Lancashire: Catholic Social Teaching \(actionnetwork.org\)](https://actionnetwork.org)

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Parish Website www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk



Sun 21	3 rd Sunday	Jonah 3:1-5,10 1 Cor 7:29-31	(Ps 24)	Mark 1:14-20
Mon 22	Feria	2 Sam 5:1-7,10	(Ps 88)	Mark 3:22-30
Tue 23	Feria	2 Sam 6:12-15,17-19	(Ps 23)	Mark 3:31-35
Wed 24	St Francis De Sales	2 Sam 7:4-17	(Ps 88)	Mark 4:1-20
Thu 25	Conversion of St Paul	Acts 22:3-16	(Ps 116)	Mark 16:15-18
Fri 26	St Timothy & Titus	2 Tim 1:1-8	(Ps 23)	Mark 4:26-34
Sat 27	Feria	2 Sam 12:1-7,10-17	(Ps 50)	Mark 4:35-41

Mass & 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 to 12.10pm

Mass 12.15pm

Eucharistic



Adoration

For Jesuit Vocations
every Monday
11:30 -12 noon

LIFE  ASCENDING

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

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Lately Dead

Anniversaries Teresa Hall, Barbara Lydiate

Those who are sick: Susan Craft, Joyce Lyons,
Brendan Rawsthorn, Fr Joseph D'Ambrosio CSSp,



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



January's Intention -

For the gift of diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church

LITTLE CHURCH

At 10.15 am Sunday Mass.
All children welcome

The Parish Newsletter is to reflect what happens in the Parish & news regarding parishioners. If you would like something to be included please send information to the Parish Administrator or email stwilfridsnewsletter@gmail.com