



JESUITS
IN BRITAIN

Newsletter

8th June 2025

PENTECOST SUNDAY

St. Wilfrid's Parish, Preston

PENTECOST

One of the features of our church is depiction of the event which we celebrate today. In the chapel to the right of the main altar we see the Holy Spirit coming down on the disciples as tongues of fire. Above this is the figure of a dove, a reminder of the Holy Spirit coming down at Jesus' baptism.

After the Ascension the disciples are told to wait, there is something, someone else that they need. Pope Francis said that the story of Pentecost "teaches us that even seeing the Risen Lord is not enough, unless we welcome him into our hearts. It is no use knowing that the Risen One is alive, unless we too live as risen ones. It is the Spirit who makes Jesus live within us". The common prayer that we make to the Holy Spirit is, "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." The tongues of fire are signs of that inward transformation which the disciples experience. After describing the coming of the Spirit our first reading goes on to describe its effects. The Spirit enables the disciples to go out and tell the "mighty works of God".

As we celebrate this great feast so we too share in that same mission of the Church, entrusted to the disciples, to go and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in our words and in our lives. We ask for that fire of the Spirit to be at work in us as it was in Mary and the disciples.

C. Pedley SJ

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FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to Malachy O'Neill who is making his
First Holy Communion this Sunday, 8th June at the 10.15 Mass.
Another 10 young people will receive theirs on Sunday 22nd June,
also at the 10.15 Mass.

St Walbuge's Summer Fair!

Sunday, 15th June, 12 – 4 pm

Food, cakes, treats, raffle, stalls, tombola, games & more!

Lots of fun for all the family. All Welcome!

In St Walbuge's Hall, off Weston Street, PR2 2QE



The City of Preston Annual Diocese of Lancaster Centenary & Jubilee 2025 Corpus Christi Procession at St Walbuge's Shrine Church

Sunday 22 June at 2pm

All are welcome and invited to take part in this public act of
Witness of our Faith on this important Feast Day.



GIFTS IN WILLS

Legacy gifts fund a third of CAFOD's support to communities fighting injustice and poverty. We have been part of **Your Catholic Legacy** for over 10 years, working alongside other Catholic charities to spread the word about gifts in Wills. This **Catholic Legacy Week**, we are asking people to consider pledging a legacy gift. If you are interested in supporting our sisters and brothers around the world a good first step is to request our **free Will Writing Guide**. It's full of useful tips & example wording. **For information email legacy@cafod.org.uk or call on 020 7095 5367.**

THE CHURCH COURTYARD IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL PARKING

Unfortunately we do not have a car park at St Wilfrid's church.

Any vehicles in the courtyard are booked in and authorised since they are carrying out maintenance or other work for the parish.

YOU ARE KINDLY ASKED NOT TO PARK YOUR VEHICLE IN THE CHURCH COURTYARD.

Online Donations to St Wilfrid's can be made via the parish website

www.stwilfridspreston.org.uk

Click on the **DONATE** button & follow the instructions. It's very easy!

The Gift & Card Shop has some new stock for Baptism, 1st Communion and Confirmation, as well as more statues. We also have a good selection of pre-loved religious books for adults & children. Do feel free to browse.

Open after 10.15 Sunday Mass, Mon & Fri 11.30am–1pm

DAY of RENEWAL

Led by Archie Cameron

Archie is a well known and much loved speaker, Dad, Grandad and Lay School Chaplain retired, who by the grace of God, loves life in the good and the dark times.



"Living in Joyful Hope"
Saturday 28th June 2025

10am. to 4pm.
the day starts with Mass at 10am.
at St Clare's Church [Parish Hall]
Sharoe Green Lane Fulwood Preston PR2 9HH



Please Bring Packed Lunch, Tea & Coffee Available
For further information Contact Christine Tel: 07745009694 or Annette Tel: 07954429333

LARKHILL GET TOGETHER

Saturday 28 June

2pm in the Chapel

at Larkhill

(Newman College)

Bring a friend and have a look
around the old school and
gardens.

Open 1—5.30 pm

Contact

Christine Fitzpatrick

01772 424189

SPUC Meeting

Pills-by-post abortion policy and
threat of abortion
decriminalisation.

Saturday 21st June at 2pm

St. Joseph's Church Hall,
Skeffington Road, Preston,
PR1 5UQ.

Contact Terry Graham, SPUC
Northern Development Officer,
on 07549 068226 or
terrygraham@spuc.org.uk



Society for the Protection
of Unborn Children

UNVEILED

13th & 27th June
@ 7.30pm in Church



Scripture, Talk, Praise and Worship
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

RWANDA GROUP TRUST

TABLE TOP SALES

SATURDAY, 14TH JUNE 10AM-1PM

ST. ANTHONY'S ANNEXE

ST. ANTHONY'S DRIVE

(NEXT TO OUR LADY'S HIGH SCHOOL)
CRAFTS/TOYS/GIFTS/'PRE-LOVED' ITEMS



The Pope's Prayer Intention for June

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation
in a personal relationship with Jesus,
and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

DO NOT LEAVE YOUR BAGS AND VALUABLES UNATTENDED IN CHURCH

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Sunday 8 June PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-11 (Ps 103) 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23

Mass 7am **Mass 10.15am** with Choir & Little Church during Mass
 Parish Centre 11.15-12.30 Tea/coffee Gift & Card Shop Open

Mass 4.30pm with Music Group

Mon 9 June

BLD VIRGIN MARY

Confessions 11.50-12.10

Mass 12.15

11.30-1pm Gift & Card Shop Open Tea/coffee

Acts 1:12-14 (Ps 87) John 19:25-34

Tues 10 June

FERIA

Confessions 11.50-12.10

Mass 12.15

11-12noon Holy Hour

6-7.30pm Metanoia Hot Meal Drop In

2 Corinthians 1:18-22 (Ps 118) Matthew 5:13-16

Wed 11 June

ST BARNABAS

Confessions 11.50-12.10

Mass 12.15

5-5.45 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm Metanoia Clothes Drop (Narthex)

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (Ps 98) John 5:17-19

Thur 12 June

FERIA

Confessions 11.50-12.10

Mass 12.15 & 5.30pm

11am Life Ascending (Coffee 10.30)

2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1,3-6 (Ps 84) Matthew 5:20-26

Fri 13 June

St Anthony of Padua

Confessions 11.50-12.10

Mass 12.15

Following 12.15 Mass Lectio Divina with ---

11.30-1pm Gift & Card Shop Open Tea/coffee

---Soup Lunch

2 Corinthians 4:7-15 (Ps 115) Matthew 5:27-32

Sat 14 June

FERIA

Confessions 11-12.10

Confessions 5-5.30

Mass 12.15

VIGIL MASS 5.35pm

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 (Ps 102) Matthew 5:33-37

WE PRAY FOR

Those who died recently:

Anniversaries: Dorothy Koziarska, Elizabeth Stanton, Pauline Rose, Mary Bamber, Joseph Rose

Those who are sick: Brendan Rawsthorn, Norman Gaskell, Doreen Flynn, Deacon Bill Adams, Agnes Partington.