

Please pray for the sick: Pam Newman, Sue O'Brien, Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue, Patrick Dignan, Ellie Rose, Victoria Leighton, Joe McIntyre, John Riley, Jeanette Brock. Joe Kemp, David Cochrane, Glenise & Geoffrey Clinning, Rachel Mason, Edward Moore, Jessica.

To have the name of a seriously sick person on the newsletter, please hand in the small blue form from the porch.

The next **PARISH LUNCH** will be at the **Preston Golf Club** on the **6th March, at 12-30pm**. Contact Derek on 774647 or Paul on 718002.

Netflix are laughing at their Christian customer base by refusing to delete the blasphemous film, the First Temptation of Christ, from their platform. Will you join in the CITIZENGO campaign and call Netflix on 0800 096 3679 to say you are cancelling (or decided not to sign on), and why?

'**Migrant Help**' are hosting EU settlement sessions, in Preston area, to support parents and families to apply as EU citizens for settlement here. **Each Tuesday- see poster in porch.** This is for any adults/ families from EU countries. The deadline for applications is December 2020. <https://www.gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme>

Fairtrade Fortnight 24 Feb-8 March. Ready. Steady, Cocoa! Chocolate Evening. Tues 25th Feb, 7pm for 7.30, Xaverian Centre, Sharoe Green Lane, Fulwood, PR2 8HE. phone 07813 870 641

The **LADIES GROUP** meet on Thurs, 27th Feb, at 8.00pm and will be a slide-show by Fr. Bob about his Ministry in Peru. Admission £2.00. Visitors welcome.

Diocesan LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2020.

24th – 31st July. 7 Nights – From £779 (if sharing)
Price down from last year _ new company involved.

Led by Bishop Paul Swarbrick. (Details of what is included in price, see poster in porch)

For booking forms ask Fr Bob OR contact **Joe Walsh Tours;**
Tel: 0161 8208790 Email: info@joewalshstours.co.uk

SOME HAVE BEEN SAYING: "I'd like to know more before I decide to book". Mrs. Linda Wisdom 07738 022 054 can give details, or direct you to someone else. You can also ask about the coach from Preston.

YOUTH & Lancaster Diocese LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2020

23rd July – 1st August - £595 per person sharing

Private coach travel from Keswick to Lourdes and return.

OPEN TO YOUNG PEOPLE CURRENTLY IN YEAR 10 AND ABOVE – book now on Castlerigg website:

www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/new-events/lourdes-2020

'Serve others and receive so much more than you give'

CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME The idea of infinite or unlimited growth which proves so attractive to economists, financiers and experts in technology is based on the lie that there is an infinite supply of the earth's goods, and this leads to the planet being squeezed dry beyond limit"
(Pope Francis, Laudato Si, para 106)

The Pope's Prayer intention for FEBRUARY 2020

Listen to the Migrants' Cries:

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

LENT - PRAYER. FASTING. ALMS-DEEDS

The purpose is to follow Jesus more closely. He prayed, he fasted, he did good works (gave himself for us needy). *There is a leaflet giving suggestions.* One way of fasting is to make do with what we've got, to consume less – less fuel, less heating (wear more jumpers!), less unused food, switching off lights and appliances not in use, switching off engines when stationary, re-using things as long as possible, walking more, incl to church (those who can), not filling the kettle more than we need just now, etc etc.

All of the above combines fasting and alms-deeds. As believers we have the advantage of being able to offer this to Our Lord, to honour and imitate him, to make up for our excesses and sins, and to benefit from the practice of self-denial. Helping the world and its people is an alms-deed (= a good work)

LENT BOOKLETS on sale, £1 each. "My Day by Day" (daily Scripture) and "Walk with Me" (Gives reflections on the Readings.)

'**The God Who Speaks**'. Series 2 -continues Thurs, 27th Feb. Focusing on Gospel readings we hear at Sunday Mass. 7.30-9.30pm, St Wilfrid's Parish Centre. All Welcome. More info on posters. Contact: Joe or Ruth on 07957 566741.

DAY OF RENEWAL at St Clare's Parish Hall, on Saturday, 29th February, from 10am till 4pm. '**Be Renewed in the Lord**', led by the **Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal**. Please bring packed lunch – Tea & Coffee available.

CAFOD SOUP LUNCH, Saturday March 7th, 12 noon,

CATHOLIC MIRACLE RALLY at All Hallows High School, Penwortham, 14 and 15 March. The weekend includes inspirational talks, joyful praise, intimate worship, Holy Mass, prayer for the Holy Spirit, and an Open Healing evening. See leaflets in porch.

ROSARY SERVICE at CARMELITE CONVENT, 2.10pm, Tues, 3rd March. *Prayers for expectant mothers and unborn babies.*

Coffee Morning 10 to 12 Tuesday, Feb 25th. Call into the Parish Centre for a chat and a brew!

You can read the bulletin online at our website :
www.ourladyandstedwards.co.uk