

Parish Collection including via banks

£ 834.65

Thank you

Special Rosary Service

To celebrate **The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday 21st November 2024 at 2.00pm** at St Mary's Newhouse (SMN) Station Lane, Barton, Preston, PR3 5DY followed by tea, coffee and biscuits.

Coffee Mornings for NOVEMBER

Sunday November 3rd, 17th after 8.45 Mass

Tuesday November 12th, 26th at 10.00 to 12.00

Call in for a brew and friendly chat

KOLOMO: Many thanks for the donation of **£265**

collected after Mass on Sundays.

Thank you to all the people who donated, collected, counted and delivered the money to me to be banked.

Barbara Ryan

Join us for a 60's/70's SING-ALONG & DANCE

Music by Peter Wild

Saturday November 2nd - 7pm

OLSE Parish Centre

Hot Pot & Apple Pie

Wine, Beer and Soft Drinks on sale

Quiz and Bingo

Raffle – donations of prizes welcome.

Proceeds to the Parish Centre Refurbishment

Tickets - £12.50 - available after Saturday/Sunday masses & from Joan Wild – 07773061663

The Youth 2000 Preston Retreat

Taking place at Corpus Christi High School, Preston on Saturday 7th December, the Youth 2000 Preston Retreat is an opportunity for young adults (aged 16-35 or Year 11+) from across Lancaster Diocese and beyond for a day of fun, faith, and friendship.

This jam-packed, one day retreat offers the opportunity to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist, grow in relationship with Him and His Mother, and form friendships with other young adults from the local area.

Tickets can be purchased

from <https://www.youth2000.org/events/preston2024>.

Anna Jordan Head of Mission and Partnerships

Our Lady & St Edwards Parish Centre

£230 was raised for Blue Flamingo

(the charity that serves people living with dementia) at our recent parish lunch.

The Parish Christmas lunch will be on **Wednesday 4 December**

Surplus proceeds will be for Heartbeat

To reserve tickets, contact Emma: 07890 220249

CHRISTMAS PARTY – LITTLE CHURCH

SATURDAY 14th December 4pm – 5.45pm.

Names & Ages needed. A Present from Father Christmas for all children who have their names on the list. Games and food. Let us know of allergies or advanced care needed. Mass will be at 6.00pm as usual for those wishing to attend.

Lizi & Angela 07866635399. *List at the back of church*

Squirrels?

Squirrels, the newest branch of the Scout family tree is starting on the Thursday after half term. Meetings will be 5-6pm in OLSE Parish Centre. Contact Ian on 07944857813 or email 8fulwoodsquirrels@gmail.com

Parish Council: Next Parish Council Meeting-7.00pm on Sunday November 3rd in the Parish centre. All Parish Groups are invited to send a representative.

CAFOD - thank you so much for your support of the Harvest Fast Day appeal. If you haven't been able to return your envelope yet, it's not too late. They can be returned in the next week or two, or alternatively you can donate on : <https://cafod.org.uk/envelope> (parish postcode is PR2 9UE to help identify OLSE if using this route).

THIS HARVEST- We've been sharing stories from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

Did you know about the sheer size of the Congo Basin rainforest and its importance in mitigating the effects of climate change? It's the second largest tropical rainforest in the world and 60% is in the DRC - the most biodiverse country in Africa! Sadly, armed conflict has contributed to extreme tree loss - the Congo Basin lost around half the size of Wales last year.

As part of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), is appealing to support those affected by the escalating devastation in the Middle East. You can read more about the support already being provided, or donate, by visiting the

website: <https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/middle-east-humanitarian-appeal> or scan this QR code

Food bank

We desperately need tins of vegetables and potatoes, tins of fruit and carnation milk plus tea bags, toiletries and all usual items. Thank you for all your continuing support. Long-life big bags are also useful.

All donations for the Food bank and St Wilfrid's can be dropped off at the back of the church or at 3 Marlborough Drive. Collection can be arranged by calling **0777 943 6279**. May God Bless you and your families.

Additional adult help is needed at the Beaver Scout meeting held on Thursdays from 6.15pm in OLSE parish centre. There are many flexible ways of volunteering in Scouting. Could this be you? Please contact **Ian Mulholland, Group Scout Leader** on **07944857813** or Mulholland.id@gmail.com

Altar serving - we'd welcome new altar servers to join our team. Whether young or not-so-young, this important ministry in our church is open to all who have made their First Holy Communion.

Please do consider it and speak to one of our Fathers, Sisters or John Woods and an introductory session will be arranged.