

## Parish Collection including via banks

£714

Collection for Youth Services £133

### SPECIAL ROSARY SERVICE:

To celebrate **the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady**, on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 2.00pm, at Our Lady & St. Edward, 4 Marlborough Drive, Fulwood, Preston, PR2 9UE, followed by tea, coffee, biscuits and friendly chat.

### 'An Ecumenical Gathering'

You are invited to a Christmas Festival of Music on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 at 2.00pm at Our Lady & St. Edward's Parish Centre.

Entertainment will include live music from:

The Preston |Concert Band, Eight string musicians from the Fulwood Chamber Orchestra and Carols and Carol Singing led by Prestonix – a Four Piece Band.

Plus: Seasonal Refreshments.

Suggested donation on entry £3.00.

For further details contact Frank 07779436279 or email: fimcq@outlook.com

We offer our condolences to the family of Father Bob

### Our Lady & St Edward's Parish Centre Christmas Lunch

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024, 12 – 2.00pm**

Chicken in gravy with mashed potato, peas and carrots, warm mince pie with cream/ice cream, Tea/Coffee

*Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks on Sale*

**Raffle** Net proceeds to support Heartbeat

**£10.00 – to book a place contact**

**Emma on 07890220249 or e\_mcgrath@live.co.uk**

### ROBIN HOOD

Our Lady and St. Edward's Christmas Pantomime.  
Raising money for Dementia UK.

Two shows on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024 in the Parish Centre. Tickets are now on sale.

Donations of Raffle prizes would be welcomed and gratefully received. Thank you.

### Coffee Mornings for DECEMBER

**Sunday 1 & 15 after 8.45 Mass**

**Tuesday 10 & 24 at 10.00 to 12.00**

*Call into the Parish Centre - good company and refreshments.*

### CHRISTMAS PARTY – LITTLE CHURCH

**SATURDAY** 14<sup>th</sup> 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.**

### Donations for Lectionaries and Parish Mass Books

Thank you to all who have generously sponsored the Lectionaries and made donations towards the Parish Mass Books. All of the Lectionaries have been sponsored in dedication to deceased family members.

We have received over £1000 in donations for the Parish Mass Books and a final figure will be published shortly.

Some people requested dedications, some simply made donations. There is a list of the dedications on the notice board and on the parish website, including the dedications in the Lectionaries and Gospel Book

These books will be used for the first time this weekend, the first Sunday in Advent and the start of the Church's new year.

**A massive thanks to all!**

### CAFOD World Gifts for Christmas

This Christmas, give your loved ones something exceptional and life changing. Buying CAFOD's virtual World Gifts makes a real difference for our sisters and brothers facing the injustice of poverty around the world. Choose from a range of beautifully illustrated cards, each representing a gift of hope, inspired by real people and real needs. Cards can be sent by post, as an eCard, or printed at home. Purchase World Gifts and other gifts such as Advent calendars and jute bags at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk> or pick up a catalogue in church.

### ADVENT RETREAT (AGE 15 TO YOUNG ADULTS) AT CASTLERIGG MANOR

Bookings will close for the Advent Retreat at Castlerigg on December 11<sup>th</sup> at Midday. The open retreats at Castlerigg give teens and young adults a great way to make friends, deepen their faith, and have some fun and they usually prove very popular. The weekend costs £65 but anyone who might struggle with this is invited to get in touch. Further details – [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk). Sign up at [castleriggmanor.com](http://castleriggmanor.com) >> what's coming up.

### **The 2024 Advent Challenge will be launched this weekend.**

Flyers will be available after Mass. Please take a few and hand to family, friends and neighbours.

You will be helping a family have a better Christmas.

**The Feast of Christ The King.** Thank you to all the families who came to Mass last Sunday to celebrate Christ the King, Youth Sunday. Representatives from all our scouting groups with children from the school took part in the celebration. All the children spoke clearly as they read, not only the Readings of the day but also the Bidding Prayers. Wonderful crowns were made and the children wore them as they processed towards the altar at the Offertory. Our church was full of colour and youth and I think we were all uplifted as we joined in the celebration of the last Mass of the year before the start of Advent.