

Collection for Sunday including via bank: **£ 715.73**
Collection: Catholic Trust for England & Wales: £116

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ladyewell-Saturday 26th September 2026

Holy Mass at **St Mary's, Fernyhalgh at 11.00am**, followed by the **Blessed Sacrament Procession** to Ladyewell and **Benediction**.

Altar Servers from across the Diocese are invited to join the procession, bringing their **cassock and cotta or alb** and **Guild Medal**. // **Meet at St Mary's at 10.30am**.

Servers aged **18+** must have a **current Diocesan DBS**.

Parking is available near St Mary's.

Guild Shop items may be ordered in advance and collected on the day.

Please send server numbers attending by 12th Sep.2026

To: Mulholland.id@gmail.com/ 07944 857813

Special Rosary Service to celebrate "*The Feast of St Michael, Gabriel, Raphael: Archangels*" at OLSE Church, Fulwood, PR2 9UE, on **Tuesday 29th September 2026**, starting at **2.00pm** followed by tea, coffee and biscuits.

Baptism: We joyfully welcome our newest little parishioners baptized last Sunday 30th August: **Frankie and Reggie Smith** sons of Aaron Smith & Keris Younger. May God bless Frankie and Reggie and their family as they continue to grow in faith and love within our parish community.

RCIA -Rite of Christian (Catholic) Initiation for Adults.

* The Course will begin on **Thursday 10th September at 6pm in the Convent**. This Course is predominantly for people who are looking to become members of the Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested, or you would like to join the team, please contact Sheila Green before the above date. Contact no 07528 020480 Thank you.

PARISH COFFEE MORNINGS in the Parish Centre

-Tuesday: **Sep 8th, Sep 22nd, Oct 13th, 27th** at 10:00am – 12:00pm

-Sunday: **Sep 6th, Sep 20th, Oct 4th, Oct 18th** after Mass
Call in for refreshments and friendly company

Katie Jones is our Parish Safeguarding Representative Email: **katie.jones@lrcd.org.uk** or Phone: **07796555966**

Card Reader Facility in the Church Porch -The card reader is just below the choir stairs. You can make Offertory Donations as well as pay for Greetings Cards and Votive Candles. When you have made an Offertory Donation you will be given the option to Gift Aid. Offertory donations can also be made using URL
<https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-preston.or> the QR code.



Parish Pantomime - save the date!

It's that time of year again (oh yes it is) and we are happy to announce that the parish pantomime this year will be "Dick Whittington" to be performed on Sunday 13th December in the parish centre. If anyone would like to be involved in any capacity on or off stage, please contact Janet Bracewell or Jane Tudor.

Season of Creation 2026 – Living Water

From 1 September to 4 October, Christians around the world observe the Season of Creation, a time of prayer and action for our common home.

This year's theme, "Living Water", is inspired by Ezekiel 47:1–12, where life-giving water flows from the temple and renews all creation.

We are invited to reflect on ecological healing, care for water, and the deep interconnectedness between humanity and the natural world. The theme also acknowledges communities facing water scarcity, pollution, and climate-driven crises.

The symbol and call of the season encourage us to step deeper into the living water, allowing God's renewing grace to flow through us as we work together for the healing of creation.

LITTLE CHURCH will recommence on **6th September**. We look forward to welcoming our members back. We would be delighted if each child could bring photographs of "best holiday memories" to add to our display. See Parish website for more details.

>> **Your help is needed at Ladyewell** We have a wonderful place of pilgrimage on our doorstep. Many people visit and find great comfort in prayer and silence. Ladyewell would benefit from a little renovation and care, maybe with gardening or painting or even just tidying up so that visitors can sit and pray.

>> There are many ways people can help, some have started already in small ways, painting statues, serving tea and providing fellowship. Friends of Ladyewell have worked for years to create a beautiful place of serenity but now could do with a little help.

>> Ladyewell needs more friends, could you help?

To find out more...contact **admin@ladyewellshrine.co.uk**

CAFOD has prayers and other resources available for the Season of Creation, running until 4th October (feast of St Francis of Assisi). It's a time dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation: <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/season-of-creation>

Caring for creation: The *Climate Emergency*

Briefing film will be screened at Fulwood Methodist Church on Sunday 27 September at 1.00 pm. Come and hear what leading UK scientists told MPs about the state of our climate.

Our Lady & St Edward's Parish Centre Lunch Wednesday 9th September 2026 : 12 – 2.00pm

Chicken Supreme with rice and sweetcorn (fish option for non-meat eaters) + Muffin

Including soft drink, wine or beer from the bar.

Tea/Coffee

Raffle – donation of prizes welcomed

Net proceeds to support the church maintenance and repair fund. >> £10 – to book a place contact Emma 07890220249 e_mcgrath@live.co.uk