

# The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year C  
9<sup>th</sup> December 2018  
ADVENT 2  
Psalter Week 2  
Weekdays Year 1



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Mass Times and Intentions				
Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5:30pm	St Mary's	Advent 2	Helen Coulton RIP
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:00am	Holy Family		80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving
	9:30am	St Columba's		Patrick & Jane Dolan
	11:00am	St Mary's		Wilfred & Susannah Jane Calvert RIP
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		People of the Parish
	5:30pm	St Mary's	Malachi & Josephine Gillen RIP	
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12:10pm	St Mary's		Mary McKinley RIP
Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:15am 6:30pm	Sacred Heart Mary's		Joe Dowthwaite Anniversary RIP Fr Kevin Lowry RIP
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:15am 12:10pm	Holy Family St Mary's		Aidan Smith RIP Leslie Waiting Birthday Memories RIP
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10:15am	St Columba's	St Lucy	Requiem: Emma Jane Bailey
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:30am 12.10pm	St Pius St Mary's	(whole school Mass) St John of the Cross	All Souls William McDowell RIP
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12:10pm	St Mary's		Clare Armstrong RIP
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5:30pm	St Mary's	Advent 3	Cath & Wilf Jesson RIP
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9:00am	Holy Family		Mary Winfield RIP
	9:30am	St Columba's		Peter Ward Anniversary RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		Margaret Merritt RIP
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Andrew McKeever RIP
	5:30pm	St Mary's	People of the Parish	
Church	Confessions	Eucharistic Adoration	Morning Prayer	
St Mary's	Sat: 11:00am-Noon 4:45pm-5:15pm	Mon-Fri 8:15-9:15am Sat: 11.00am-12 Noon	Mon-Sat 9:15am (except Wed,)	
St Columba's Holy Family	None this week After Mass Wed	Thurs 8.15am At St Mary's Wed 8:15am Fri 3:00pm-3:25pm	Thurs 8.45am at St Mary's Wed 8:45am	
Sacred Heart	After Mass Tuesday	Tues 8:15am	Tues 8:45am	

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness is part of the Lancaster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust, Registered Charity number 234331.

**Please pray for the sick of our parish:** especially those on the list at the back of church.

**Recently deceased:** Please pray for all those who have died recently especially **John Austin** whose funeral service will be at St Columba's on Monday at 1.30pm; **Emma Jane Bailey** whose Requiem Mass will be at St Columba's on Thursday at 10.15am; **Bruce Boyns** whose Requiem Mass will be at St Mary's on Monday **17th** December at 12:10pm; and **Brenda Mary Courtney** whose funeral service will be at the Crematorium at 11.30am on Thursday **20th** December also for **Joe Brucciani** who has died in Australia and **Joseph John Anderson** whose funeral service took place this week. Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**First Holy Communion will be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in all churches.** Details of preparation sessions will be announced in the New Year.

**Advent Carols and Candles Service - 5pm Sunday, 9th December** at Sacred Heart Church - Advent Carol service followed by Sherry and mince pies. All are very welcome.

**St Columba's "Christmas" Coffee & Chat- Wednesday 12th December** at 2pm in the Social Area. Free entry. Quiz, raffle, bingo and carols. We will be joined by pupils from St Bernard's. Profit from the raffle to go to "The Christmas Homeless Shelter." Bring a friend. All welcome.

**St Columba's School** welcome you to their 'Christmas Service' on Mon Dec 17<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and Tues Dec 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

**Catholic Truth Society- CTS-** There will be a retiring collection in all churches this **weekend of 8/9<sup>th</sup> December** to assist CTS in their work.

**Sacred Heart Quiz night:** Thanks to all who came to the quiz. A great night was had by all. Sum of £470 was raised which is fantastic. Thanks to those who donated food and helped in any way we are so very grateful.  
**St Columba's Afternoon Tea:** Thank you to everyone who supported this event. A total of £480 was raised and will be used to purchase a freezer for St Joseph's Orphanage in India.

**MIDNIGHT MASS CHOIR:** There will be a rehearsal for Midnight Mass on Wednesday 12th December at 6pm in the parish centre. I hope as many people as possible will join the choir for a truly joyous Mass. Any queries just ring me, Sheila McLarnon, on 01229 468117 or 07905508663. Email [smclarnon108@btinternet.com](mailto:smclarnon108@btinternet.com)

**Four of our parishioners** are spending a month at Fr Ajish's school and orphanage in India this January. We are hoping to take some gifts for the children and would welcome donations of new t-shirts and underwear suitable for 6 to 12 year olds. You can often pick up multipacks of these along with your supermarket shop. These can be given to Fr Ajish or John & Clare Greenwood by the end of December please. Thank you.

**Advent Day of Adoration: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December at St Mary's,** will be a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, **beginning at 11.00am.** Adoration and an opportunity for Confession.

12.10pm Mass  
1pm-2pm -St Columba's- Joyful Mysteries  
2pm-3pm- Sacred Heart- Sorrowful Mysteries  
3pm-4pm- Holy Family-Mysteries of Light  
4pm-5pm- St Mary's- Glorious Mysteries  
5pm- Benediction  
5.30pm Vigil Mass

**Service of Reconciliation:** Parish Reconciliation service at St Mary's on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 6.30pm. Priests from the deanery will be present to assist with individual confession. This is a great opportunity to prepare spiritually for Our Saviour's birth.

**MASSES THIS WEEK:** Please note that the Mass at **Sacred Heart** will be on **Tuesday at 9.15am** and Mass at **St Columba's** will be a Requiem Mass at **10.15am on Thursday.**

**Service for the bereaved:** At St Mary's on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 4pm. All are welcome to come along to light a candle at the crib in memory of a loved one.

**Christmas Concert in the Presbytery Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** There will be a concert in aid of Mary's Meals performed by Griff Wadkin, a young cellist from the Birmingham Conservatoire, Cameron Dickason, now studying at The Royal Northern College, Julie will be singing and Fr Manny will be playing. There will be music by Chopin, Grieg, Shostakovich, Haydn and others. Wine and seasonal refreshments will be served. Tickets are free but there are **only 40 available for each evening.** If you would like a ticket please contact the Parish Office.

**Children's Advent Service,** Social and Blessing of families and cribs. Sunday 16th Dec. 14.00 to 16.00 at Holy Family. Acting, activities and festive snacks. All welcome

**Advent Day by Day:** Now available at the back of church. Daily readings for Advent. Adult copies £1. Children's copies free. Also available Day by Day 2019 Diaries £5. Please ask in the Parish Office.

**St Columba's School** currently have 2 volunteers for their 'Baby and Toddler Group'. We need a few more to help set up, make tea, chat to people and tidy away. Please contact school if you are available to help. The group will be starting in January on a Friday morning in the school hall 9.15am till 11am. Thanks 471522

**2019 School Enrolments:** If your Child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, they are due to start Reception Class in September 2018. Please apply before 15th January 2019. You can apply online at [cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions). If you would like a brochure or to visit your school please, call St Columba's (01229) 471522. Holy Family (01229) 894624, St Pius (01229) 828406 or Sacred Heart (01229) 840940.