

# The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year B

**25<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

Psalter week 2


Weekdays Year 2



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**Office hours:**

**Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 – 3:15pm**

Deadline for newsletter: Thursday

12:00pm

Please note: CCTV cameras are used in the church and areas surrounding it.

**All Masses at St Mary's are live streamed.** Visit [www.ourladyoffurness.org.uk](http://www.ourladyoffurness.org.uk) and follow the instructions on the website.

## Mass Times and Intentions

Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> February	5:30pm	St Mary's	<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	Cath and Wilf Jesson RIP Anniversary
<b>Sun 25<sup>th</sup> February</b>	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's		John Burns-Sweeney RIP People of the Parish Mary Goligy RIP Birthday Memories Mr and Mrs Boynes
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am	St Mary's		Sister Joyce RIP
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> February	11:00am	St Mary's	<b>Requiem Mass</b>	Eileen Harkins RIP
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am	St Mary's		Deceased Member's Millar Family
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> February	9:30am	<b>St Mary's</b>		Marjorie and Fred Gallagher RIP Birthday Memories
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> March	9:30am	<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>ST DAVID</b>	Mark Craig
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	11:00am	St Mary's		Brian Mellen RIP
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	5:30pm	<b>St Mary's</b>		J & C Etheridge RIP Anniversary
<b>Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's	<b>THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT</b>	Mary and Eric Winfield RIP Rita Johnson RIP Anniversary People of the Parish John Burns-Sweeney RIP

**Confessions are available after 11am Mass every Saturday or after Mass during the week on request.**

**Please pray for those who are sick in our parish:** and for those who have died recently, especially **Joe Kaye and Eileen Harkins** whose Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 27th February 11:00am at St. Mary's.

**Stations of the Cross:**

Every **Wednesday** in Lent **6:00pm** at **St Columba's Church**.

Every **Thursday** in Lent **6:00pm** at **Sacred Heart**

Every **Friday** in Lent **12:30pm** at **St Mary's**

**First Holy Communion:** This will take place in all churches on **Sunday 12th May 2024**.

The first session will take place on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 6:00pm** at **St Mary's Church**.

**Lourdes:** Due to the cost of the flights to Lourdes being more expensive than we anticipated, we have decided to change the dates of our pilgrimage to **16<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> September**. If these new dates are better for you and you would like to go, then please contact the office – preferably by email - by the end of this week. Anyone deciding to go after all the places have been taken will have to book their own flights separately. Thanks.

**Food Bank donations:** Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the foodbank last year. All the food given has been added up and converted into meals using the Food Bank certificates and there was a grand total of 613 meals donated from St Mary's in 2023. Please keep up the good work. Many thanks go to Jeana Johnson for coordinating this good work.

**Furness Bach Choir & Ensemble Laus Deo: Joseph Haydn Seven Last Words**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024, 7:30pm** at **St Mary's Church**

Tickets £15 (includes free programme) reserve on the website [furnessbachchoir.co.uk](http://furnessbachchoir.co.uk) also available from Sutton's Bookshop; call 01229 587757, 01229 837680 or contact Julia and Roy Sharpe on 079484490285. Tickets can also be paid for at the door.

**Sandra White's Craft Group:** Will be selling **raffle tickets for £1** each at the back of the churches during the month of February in aid of **PARISH FUNDS**. We have some very nice prizes including a **beautiful quilt** made by a Parishioner and a **voucher for a car service** plus many more items. We are always very grateful for all your generous donations and do appreciate your continued support. Thank you once again in anticipation of another successful raffle.

**SHM Extended Family – Upcoming Events**

1. **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> February at 4pm to 5pm – an international Zoom gathering** to Celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Foundation of the Institute. All are welcome to join us. Meet in the Parish Centre or, if you want to join in by Zoom from home, please contact John Newby for the link.
2. **Noddfa 24 Gathering – Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May**. The theme is "Renew the face of the Earth". There are only 30 places available. Not been before? Why not this year?

**Help Wanted:** one of our churches is looking for a used wheelchair. The one they have in the church is broken. So, if anyone in the Parish has one that is not being used and they would like to donate it please contact **01229 823299**. Thank you.

**Sick and Housebound:** If you are housebound or in hospital and would like to receive Communion, please would either yourself or a family member ring the Parish office and let us know and then this can be arranged.

**Baptism:** we congratulate **Zayn Maverick Gamalo and Evelyn Rae Collins** who were baptised last weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.