The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year B 17th March 2024 Fifth Sunday in Lent Psalter week 1 Weekdays Year 2

Office hours:

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12:00pm



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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 and follow the instructions on the website.

Mass Times and Intentions				
Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 16 th March	5:30pm	St Mary's	FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT	Karen Hodgson RIP Anniversary
Sun 17 th March	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's		Kevin Ross RIP Andrew Jackson RIP Margaret Brady RIP People of the Parish
Mon 18 th March	9:30am	St Mary's		Savage and Wardle Families RIP
Tues 19 th March	9:30am	St Mary's	ST JOSEPH	Andy McKeown (sick)
Wed 20 th March	9:30am	St Mary's		Kevin Bewley RIP Anniversary
Thurs 21 st March	9:30am	Sacred Heart		Thanksgiving for prayers for AJ
Fri 22 nd March	9:30am	St Columba's		Joe Kaye RIP
Sat 23 rd March	11:00am	St Mary's		Sheila Teresa Atkinson
Sat 23 rd March	5:30pm	St Mary's		Owen and Lizzie Loughran RIP
Sun 24 th March	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	Cath Copeland RIP Eileen Harkin RIP Anne & Stephen Fitzpatrick RIP Birthday Memories People of the Parish

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 Mary Teresa Kay whose funeral service will take place on Wednesday 20th March, 11:30am at St Columba's Church; Joyce (Pixie) Byrne whose funeral service will take place on Friday 22nd March, 12:15pm at Thorncliffe Crematorium and Brian Goulding whose funeral service will take place on Tuesday 26th March, 1:45pm at St Mary's.

Penitential Service for Lent:

Tuesday 26th March 6:00pm at St Mary's – with an opportunity for individual confession.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

CHRISM MASS: This will be held on **28**th **March 11.30am** at **St. Peter's Cathedral Lancaster**. This Mass is open to parishioners.

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Followed by watching until 10:00pm.

Please note there is **No MASS** at St Mary's on Holy

Thursday morning.

Good Friday:

10:00 am Morning Prayer

3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

6:00pm Stations of the Cross

Easter Day: All Masses are as on a normal Sunday

Holy Saturday:

10:00 am: Morning Prayer **8:00 pm Easter Vigil**

Altar Servers:

All altar servers are requested to serve at all of the Holy Week Services. There will be practices at the following times: Holy Thursday 6:15pm; Good Friday 10:30am; Holy Saturday 10:30am.

Thank you.

Sick Clergy: Bishop Paul requests our prayers for the following clergy who are currently ill and in hospital. Fr Ossie Aisbitt, Fr Alf Parker, Fr Daniel Etienne, Fr Harry Holden and Fr Michael Murphy.

Stations of the Cross: Thursday 21st March 2.00 pm at Holy Family Church lead by Year 7 St Bernards pupils supported by Year 4 Holy Family children. All are welcome to come along.

SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS: come along to the **Parish Centre** after St Mary's 11am Mass to enjoy tea, coffee, hot chocolate and cold drinks. We also have toasted fruit loaf and biscuits. Come and join our merry group! All donations go to parish funds.

Holy Family School: Everyone is very welcome to join us in praying a decade of the Rosary with Holy Family School at the following times:

08/05/23 10:15 22/05/24 10:15

We are celebrating our **50th birthday on 22nd April 2024**. We would love to see any photos that you have of your time at Holy Family School. Please email them to head@holyfamily.cumbria.sch.uk

Holy Family School: require an After School Club assistant to start on Tuesday 16th April working Mon-Thurs (15:15-17:30). The closing date for applications is **Monday 25th March**. For more information, please contact the school office (manager@holyfamily.cumbria.sch.uk).

Church Maintenance Working Party: We are sure you are aware that there are always jobs arising across the parish which need doing but do not particularly need skilled hands to undertake (painting, tidying, weeding, etc). As such Steve Donnan is looking to put together a working party who meet on a regular / semi-regular basis to undertake these tasks. If you are willing to help with this (providing tea / coffee etc for those doing the more manual tasks included), please contact Steve on 07707 271974. Further to this, if you have any specific up to date skills (plumbing, electrician, etc) which you could help the parish with from time to time, again please contact Steve.

Debbie and Peter Morris: would like to thank everyone again for donations and support for the trip to India. The money raised has been put to good use with £800 going towards the general running of the children's home in addition to new water heaters. Some money has also gone to sponsor two children's education at the home.

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 **Ollie John Flecknell** and **Mia Rose Benn** who were baptised last weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.