

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year C
20th March 2016
Palm Sunday
Psalter Week 2
Weekdays Year 2



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Deadline for newsletter: Wednesday 10am

Mass Times and Intentions				
Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 19 th Mar (vigil)	5:30pm	St Mary's	Palm Sunday	Mary Partington
Sun 20 th Mar	9:00am	Holy Family		Gordon Wright
	9:30am	St Columba's		Private Intention - M Lynch
	11:00am	St Mary's		Jean Fagan
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Andrew McKeever
	5:30pm	St Mary's		People of the Parish
Mon 21 st Mar	12.10pm	St Mary's		Mary Rafferty
Tue 22 nd Mar	9.15am	Sacred Heart		Requiem: Desmondo Cervi
	6.30pm	St Mary's		H & B Paynes
Wed 23 rd Mar	9.15am	Holy Family		Mary Tunn
	12.10pm	St Mary's		Margaret & Joseph Savage
Thu 24 th Mar	7.00pm	St Mary's	Holy Thursday	Mike Burden Anniversary
Fri 25 th Mar	3.00pm	St Mary's	Good Friday	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
Sat 26 th Mar (vigil)	8.00pm	St Mary's	Easter Day	People of the Parish
Sun 27 th Mar	9:00am	Holy Family		Joe Hague
	9:30am	St Columba's		George Hughes Anniversary
	11:00am	St Mary's		Brian Crowe
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Joseph Andrews
	5:30pm	NO MASS		NO MASS
Church	Confessions		Eucharistic Adoration	Morning Prayer
St Mary's	No Confessions Holy Saturday		Mon-Wed, 8:30-9:30am	Mon-Wed 9:30am Fri & Sat 10.00am Sunday 10am
Sacred Heart	After Mass on Tuesday			
Holy Family	After Mass on Wednesday			
St Columba's			Thursday 8.45am	Thursday 9.15am

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 **Bridget Faulkner** who has died and for **Desmondo Cervi** whose Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday at 9.15am at Sacred Heart and **Gordon Sear** whose funeral service will take place at St Columba's on Tuesday at 12noon and for **Adele Croskery** and **Jim Gilchrist** whose funerals have taken place this week. Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

RCIA: The next meeting will on Wednesday at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Shoe Box Appeal: An urgent appeal for toy cars for the shoe boxes, also small toys/soft toys (not too big). As usual we need hats, scarves and gloves, toothpaste and brushes, soap, crayons and colouring or writing books and small wellies. Please leave at church or at the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support.

Lenten Lunches: Please note these have now finished.

Children's Stations of the Cross: Good Friday at 9.30am at **Holy Family Church**. All welcome. (Please note: if you can only attend one service on this day then please attend the 3.00pm service at St Mary's).

Art Workshop: Preparing for Easter through artwork: Saturday 26th March 9.30-11.30 in Holy Family Church Hall. All welcome. Please accompany young children.

St Columba's Primary School: Are performing their Easter Play in St Columba's Church on Tuesday March 22nd at 6pm and Thursday March 24th at 2.00pm. All are welcome.

St Columba's Primary School Easter Fair: In school on Wednesday 23rd March from 2.30pm-4.00pm.

St Columba's Coffee and Chat: We have donated £100 to CAFOD Lenten Appeal. Next Coffee and Chat will be on Tuesday 5th April at 2pm in the social area at St Columba's. All welcome.

Barrow Foodbank: The Foodbank are very grateful for all foods donated, however there is a shortage of UHT semi-skimmed milk, UHT fruit juice, jam and coffee. If you are able to provide any of these items please put them in the boxes at the back of each church. Thank you.

Patronal Feast Day Planning Meeting: There will be a meeting on Thursday 7th April from 7pm-8pm in the Parish Centre to begin planning for the Patronal Feast Day. This has been a huge success over the last two years and it is only down to the hard work of volunteers that everything goes so well. We are hoping for an even better day this year, so if you are able to help at all please come along to the meeting. The more the merrier!

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

This celebration, taking place over three days, is our sharing in the Paschal Mystery: the Lord's death and resurrection. These services are the most important of the whole year; please try to be present and take part. The Triduum liturgies are highlighted in bold type. Here is the full programme for those days. All at St Mary's:

Holy Thursday: 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday:

10.00am Morning Prayer

3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

6.30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday:

10.00am Morning Prayer

8.00pm Easter Vigil (no 5.30pm Mass)

Easter Sunday - normal morning Mass times. Please note **there will be no evening Mass on Easter Sunday.**

Altar Servers Practice: Altar servers from all churches in the Parish are encouraged to serve at the Triduum. **All practices and services take place at St Mary's.**

Holy Thursday: 6.15pm (for 7pm Mass)

Good Friday 10.30am (for 3pm Liturgy)

Lourdes Fundraising- This year we are taking five young people from across the Parish with us on our pilgrimage to Lourdes. To help raise money for them to go, tickets are on sale in each church for a Chocolate raffle; there is a photo of the prizes that are available as well. Please support this initiative.

Spring Flowers and Cream Tea: This Sunday in Holy Family Hall from 2.00pm-4.00pm. An afternoon of flower arranging demonstration with cream tea. Tickets £3.50. On sale after Mass at Holy Family Church or from Bernadette McIntosh, Pearl Knight and Vera Burden. Proceeds to CAFOD's Lenten Appeal for Water.

World Youth Day Fundraiser: Lunch/Afternoon tea: Will be held in the Parish Centre on Saturday 2nd April from 1pm until 3.30pm to raise funds for the young people of the parish to attend World Youth Day with Pope Francis in Krakow, Poland this summer. Sandwiches, cakes, scones, tea, coffee, refreshments and entertainment with Paris and Ben singing, stand-up bingo and a raffle. Tickets are £5 and will be available at the back of church after Sunday Mass. For more information or tickets please call Lisa McSweeney on 01229 877667.

Unaccompanied Child Refugees: It is estimated that there are as many as 200 unaccompanied children in the refugee camp at Calais known as "The Jungle." The plight of these children is of great concern and the gospel so often reminds us of the need to care for the vulnerable, in particular the "widow and orphan." In consequence, our Corporal Works of Mercy Group have written a letter to both David Cameron and our local MP John Woodcock urging urgent action to protect and care for these children. If you wish to support this initiative please sign the petition accompanying the letter at the back of church.