

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year B
 10th December 2017
 Second Sunday of Advent
 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 9 th Dec (Vigil)	5:30pm	St Mary's	Advent 2	Leslie Waiting Birthday Memories RIP
	9:00am	Holy Family		Special Intention
	9:30am	St Columba's		Bertha Whittam RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		Lol Leanaghan RIP
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Pat Wayne
	5:30pm	St Mary's		People of the Parish
Mon 11 th Dec	12:10pm	St Mary's		Emily & Stanley
Tues 12 th Dec	9:15am 6:30pm	St Columba's St Mary's	No Evening Mass	Joe Dowthwaite Anniversary RIP No Evening Mass
Wed 13 th Dec	9:15am 12:10pm	Holy Family St Mary's	St Lucy	Margaret Turvey RIP John Robinson Birthday Memories RIP
Thu 14 th Dec	9:15am	Sacred Heart	St John of the Cross	Patrick & Mary Goligy Anniversary RIP
Fri 15 th Dec	9:30am 12:10pm	St Pius School St Mary's		Dec'd Memb of Roach & McCullough Fam Penellum Family
Sat 16 th Dec	12:10pm	St Mary's		Hillen, Oliver & Greer Families RIP
Sat 16 th Dec (Vigil)	5:30pm	St Mary's	Advent 3	Wilf & Cath Jesson RIP
	9:00am	Holy Family		70 th Birthday
	9:30am	St Columba's		Trainor & Hewson Families RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		John Rocks
	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 11am-noon 4:45pm-5:15pm	Mon & Fri 8:15-9:15am Sat 11:00am-12noon	Mon-Sat 9:15am (except Tues, Wed & Thurs)
St Columba's	After Mass Tuesday	Tues 8:15am	Tues 8:45am
Holy Family	After Mass Wednesday	Wed 8:15am and Friday –none this week	Wed 8:45am
Sacred Heart	After Mass Thursday	Thurs 8:15am	Thurs 8:15am

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 for **Donna Abernethy** who has died and for **Alexander Smith MacWhannell** whose funeral took place this week. Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Book Sale: This Sunday 10th December after 11am Mass at Sacred Heart, proceeds in aid of CAFOD.

MASS TIMES: Please note that there will be **no Mass at St Mary's on Tuesday evening**.

Mass will be at St Pius School on Friday at 9.30am, a whole school Mass.

RCIA: If there is anyone interested in enquiring about joining the Catholic Church please come along to the Parish Centre on **Wednesday at 6:30pm**. It is not too late to take part and you will be made very welcome.

Coffee Morning: in Sacred Heart Social Area every Wednesday morning at 8.50am. All are welcome.

Parish Outreach: Carol's Carols: This Monday 11th December in the Parish Centre after lunchtime Mass. Soup & sandwiches included.

Our Lady of Furness Choir – There will be a practice for Midnight Mass at 6pm on Tuesday 12th December at St Mary's Church. All regular and new members are welcome.

St Columba's next COFFEE & CHAT will be the Christmas themed event this Wednesday commencing at 2:00pm - FREE ENTRY - Raffle - Quiz - Carols - Bingo and we will be joined by a group of pupils from St. Bernard's. ALL parishioners and friends welcome. Any profit from Raffle & Bingo will be donated to the 'Homeless Christmas Shelter.'

Flash-Mob Carols: for the second year running there are Flash-Mob Carols in the town centre on Sat 16th December from 12.30-1.30pm. Our Roman Catholic Youth Choir will be leading the carol singing at the Market Entrance (Portland Walk side). Please come along and join in the festive carols.

Carols and Candles – a service of readings and Advent Carols by candlelight – at Sacred Heart Church. Sunday, 17th December at 5pm. Stay afterwards for a chat, accompanied by sherry and mince pies

2018 School Enrolments: If your Child was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014, they are due to start Reception Class in September 2018. Please apply before 15th January 2018. You can apply online at 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.

Advance Notice: Parish Reconciliation service at St. Mary's on Wednesday 20th December at 7pm

Christmas Mass Times: Christmas Eve is on Sunday this year; the usual Sunday Masses will remain unchanged.

Vigil Mass of Christmas:

Sacred Heart 5:30pm, St Columba's 6:00pm

St. Mary's 7:00pm,

St Mary's Carols 11:30pm, St Mary's Mass – Midnight

Christmas Day:

Holy Family 9:00am, St Columba's 9:30am

Sacred Heart 11:00am, St Mary's 11:00am

Service for the bereaved: Will take place at St Mary's on Thursday 21st December at 6.30pm. All are welcome to come along to light a candle at the crib in memory of a loved one. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre afterwards.

Advent Day by Day: Now available at the back of all churches. Adult copies £1; Children's copies free.

Day by Day Diaries 2018 £6 each. Great Christmas gifts.

Youth Choir: On Wednesday this week the young people who sang at Steve's Ordination and at the Confirmation will be singing Carols in the Parish Centre after Mass. Come along and have a mince pie and a cup of tea and enjoy some beautiful carols.

Christmas Concert: Friday 22nd December at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Cameron and Fr Manny will perform music with a Christmas theme as well as Christmas Carols. There will be a festive food, wine and a raffle to raise as much as we can for Mary's Meals whilst the donations are being doubled. Tickets are available from the Parish Office. Tickets are free but there will be a retiring collection for Mary's Meals.

Barrow Library is having a Christmas Coffee Afternoon on 19th December at 1.30pm. Free entry. All are welcome.

Walney Scouts - Christmas Post 2017: Walney Churches Scout Group will again be running the Walney Christmas post. There will be a post box placed in the social area of St Columba's, and we will deliver the Christmas cards to Walney Island and Barrow Island (only). The cost of postage will be 25p per card. Please ensure that the names and addresses are clearly printed (in capitals) on the Christmas cards, to make sure that we can deliver them for you. Please place all your cards and monies in a sealed bag or envelope, and into the post boxes, by Thursday 14th December (5pm), at the latest.

Volunteer Driver: We are looking for a volunteer driver for our 17 seater mini bus. If you are aged between 25 and 70 with a clean driving license and are available for ad hoc journeys please contact the Parish Office for more details.