

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year C
 3rd March 2019
 1st Sunday in Lent
 Psalter Week 1
 Weekdays Year 1



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Mass Times and Intentions				
Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 9 th Mar	5:30pm	St Mary's	Lent 1	Cath Jesson Anniversary RIP
Sun 10 th Mar	9:00am	Holy Family		Kathleen Taylor Anniversary RIP
	9.30am	St Columba's		Stan Coward Birthday Memories RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		People of the Parish
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Mark Craig RIP
	5:30pm	St Mary's		Dave Robinson RIP
Mon 11 th Mar	9:15am 12:10pm	Holy Family St Mary's		Jack McCluskey RIP Julie Irene Gaynor RIP
Tues 12 th Mar	9:15am	St Columba's		Fred Sealey RIP
Wed 13 th Mar	12:10pm	St Mary's		Pat Mullen RIP
Thu 14 th Mar	9:15am	Sacred Heart		Mason & Rusillo Families RIP
Fri 15 th Mar	9:30am 12:10pm	St Mary's St Mary's	(Lent Fast Day)	Thanksgiving, Birthday Ferdinand Blank RIP
Sat 16 th Mar	12:10pm	St Mary's	Terry O'Neil	
Sat 16 th Mar	5:30pm	St Mary's	Lent 2	Brian Mellon RIP
Sun 17 th Mar	9:00am	Holy Family		Jaqueline Byrne
	9.30am	St Columba's		Deceased Members of Hurley & Riely Families RIP
	11:00am	St Mary's		Cath Ducker
	11:00am	Sacred Heart		Andrew McKeever, Birthday Memories
	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		Wed 8:15am Fri 8:15am Sat 11am- Noon	Wed 9:15am Fri 9:15am Sat 9:30am
Holy Family	Mon after Mass		Mon 8:15am Fri 3pm-3:25pm (stations of Cross)	Mon 8:45am
St Columba Sacred Heart	Tues after Mass Thurs after Mass		Tues 8:15am Thurs 8:15am	Tues 8:45am Thurs 8:45am

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 **Ellen Loughran** whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Mary's on Monday 18th March at 12:10pm and for **John Mullen** whose funeral has taken place this week. Please pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Monday Afternoon Social Group Holy Family Hall: Meets from 2pm-3.45pm. Board games, knitting, cup of tea and natter time. All welcome.

The RCIA Group will meet on Thursday at 6:15pm in the Parish Centre at St Mary's.

Altar Servers: there is a recruitment / refresher day on 23rd March starting at 10:00 in St. Mary's and finishing in the parish centre at 11:30. Anybody in year 3 and above, is welcome. There will be a practical session at the start followed by a short social in the Parish centre. The usual 12:10 Mass is taking place, anyone who would like to stay for it would be welcome.

Book Sale at Sacred Heart: This Sunday 10th March after 11.00am Mass. Proceeds for CAFOD.

Dates for your diary: Fri 29th March: Pergolesi "Stabat Mater" at Sacred Heart (performed by Julie Flanagan, Deborah Milledge and Fr Manny).

Fri 17th May: at St Mary's Barrow: Ulverston Choral Society will perform Elijah by Mendelsohn.

Discernment Day for the Priesthood in the Diocese of Lancaster: Young Catholic men (16+) in the Diocese are invited to discern and reflect on this vocation. Come and see on Saturday 30th March at St Joseph's Church, Lancaster, LA1 2HU. The Day begins with Mass at 10.00am and concludes at 2.00pm. For more information please contact Fr D Etienne on 01253 762227

First Holy Communion Meetings: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th March beginning with Mass at 6.30pm.

Furness Bach Choir & Orchestra: Will be performing Michael Haydn's St. Francis Mass and W. A. Mozart's Solemn Vespers, on Saturday 16th March, 7:30pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Victoria Road, Ulverston. Tickets £14 at the door or £12 in advance from Sutton's Bookshop Ulverston.

Fun and Reflection: On Saturday 16th March we are having an afternoon of fun and reflection for years 6 and 7 at the Nelson St Centre. The afternoon will begin with lunch at 1:00 and conclude after mass (approx. 6:20). We hope that this will be the first of many such afternoons and that we will be able to invite other age groups to later sessions. There is a form which we will need for all children attending and these are available from our schools or by ringing Deacon Steve on 07707271974.

Stations of the Cross during Lent:

Sacred Heart	5:30pm	Wednesdays
St. Mary's	11:45am	Fridays
Holy Family	2:45pm	Fridays
St. Columba's	6:00pm	Fridays

Pope Francis, A man of his word: On Thursday 14th March at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre, we will be showing a film about Pope Francis. Parishioners are encouraged to come along to see this inspirational film that profiles the life of Pope Francis.

Pope Francis, Inspirational Quote from Ash Wednesday: The small mark of ash that we receive is to tell us, with delicacy and truth that of many things on our minds that we chase after and worry about every day nothing will remain. As much as you work on it, you will not bring any wealth with you from this life. Earthly realities will fade away like dust in the wind. Goods are provisional, power passes, success fades. The culture of appearance, so dominant today, that induces us to live for the things that pass, is a great deception. Because it's like a blaze: once finished, only the ash remains. Lent is the time to free ourselves from the illusion of chasing after dust. Lent is for rediscovering that we are created for the inextinguishable flame, not for ashes that immediately disappear, for God, not for the world, for the eternity of Heaven, not for earthly deceit, for the freedom of God, not for the slavery of things. We should ask ourselves today: where do I stand? Do I live for the Fire or for the ash?

Day by Day for Lent: Daily readings and reflections for Lent. Booklets available at the back of each church. £1 for the adult copies; children's copies free.

St. Joseph's Children's Home: Please join us on Saturday 16th March 6.30pm (after 5.30 Mass) in the Parish Centre where John and Clare Greenwood will give an illustrated talk about their recent visit to India with Peter and Debbie Morris and Fr Ajish's work there. Light refreshments will be provided, along with the chance to buy scarves (made from beautiful saris) and other Indian items. Any money raised will be sent to the Children's Home in Marakbodi.

Pie & Pea Lunches: Will be held on 18th March, 1st April and 15th April in the Parish Centre at St Mary's after 12.10pm Mass. Cost £4.00. Proceeds to provide fencing around the Boy's Hostel next to the Orphanage in India.

Mary's Meals: Year 3 at Sacred Heart School are hosting a Mary's Meals Afternoon Tea on Friday 22nd March at 1.30pm. Throughout the afternoon they will tell you all about the school they sponsor, there will be a showing of Child 31 and a special performance from the children. The children will also be making cakes and sandwiches. It would be great if you could come along and support our school. Entry is £2.

Gift Aid: If you use the envelope system they will soon be at the back of church for collection. Please do not worry if your envelopes are not there we will ensure you get them for the start of the new financial year. Please consider increasing your donation. If you would like to start giving by this method please contact the Parish Office.