

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year B

10th December 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

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 and follow the instructions on the website.

Mass Times and Intentions

Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 9 th December	5:30pm	St Mary's	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Cath and Wilf Jesson RIP
Sun 10th December	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's		People of the Parish Michael Mullen Pat Wayne Joan Cockin RIP Birthday Memories
Mon 11 th December	9:30am	St Mary's		Fr Loughran
Tues 12 th December	9:30am	St Mary's		Birch and McBride Families
Wed 13 th December	9:30am	St Mary's	St Lucy	Cath Critchley (ill)
Thurs 14 th December	9:30am	St Mary's	St John of the Cross	Helen Dunn RIP Birthday Memories
Fri 15 th December	9:30am	Holy Family		George, Marion and Walter Blackburn RIP
Sat 16 th December	11:00am	St Mary's		Brian Mellen and Gardner Family RIP
Sat 16 th December	5:30pm	St Mary's		Karen Hodgson RIP
Sun 17th December	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Gaudete Sunday	Margaret and Ken Wilson Mateo Quijada RIP Anniversary Patrick Goligy RIP Anniversary 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, **Paul Burns** and **Nancy Rogers**.

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Diocesan Website: www.lancasterdiocese.org.uk

Advent Reflections: Led by Fr Manny. "The Word became Flesh and Dwelt amongst us."
Monday 11th December and Tuesday 19th December 6:30pm at the Parish centre.

Christmas Mass Times:

CHRISTMAS MASSES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

Saturday 23rd December	11:00am	St Mary's
	5:30pm	St Mary's
Sunday 24th December	9:00am	Holy Family
	11:00am	St Mary's
	5:00pm	Sacred Heart
	5:30pm	St Columba's
Monday 25th December (Christmas Day)	7:00pm	St Mary's
	9:00am	Holy Family
	11:00am	St Mary's

St Stephen's Day (Boxing Day) - Altar Servers: Mass will be at **11:00am at St Mary's**. All Altar servers are invited to attend this Mass to renew your promises as Altar Servers and members of the Guild of St Stephen.

Christmas Fayre: A big thank you to everyone who took part or supported our Christmas Fayre. It was a great success and many have commented on the lovely atmosphere and joy of the whole parish coming together. Well done and thank you.

Barrow Classical Music Foundation:

Sunday 10th December 3:00pm – Candlelit Christmas Concert

Julie, Debbie, Fr Manny and Cameron come together under the warm glow of candlelight to perform a concert inspired by the spirit of Christmas. This will be a wonderful concert featuring traditional Christmas carols and Christmas classical favourites on the piano and organ. Join us for a mince pie and glass of mulled wine. All proceeds will go towards Mary's Meals.

Dates for your diaries:

Advent Reconciliation Service – **Wednesday 13th December, 6pm at St Mary's**

Christmas service for the Bereaved – **Thursday 21st December, 6pm at St Mary's**

ST. COLUMBA'S - Christmas Coffee & Chat Get Together - Wednesday 13th December - Commencing 2:00pm.

Free Entry - Raffle, Quiz, Bingo - Lots of Chat - Proceeds to Barrow Food Bank.

Donation of Raffle Prizes appreciated. ALL Parishioners welcome

Parish Quiz: Many thanks go to all who made the quiz night a great success, to those who made the delicious food, to those who helped set up and clear away, and to all those who came to the quiz. Thank you so much for your generosity. A grand total of £600 was raised for St Mary's Hospice. And we had fun. Lots of love from Ann.

A Little Night Music: Friday 21 June 7pm St Mary of Furness Church

Bach *Brandenburg Concerto No.3*

Bach *Concerto for Oboe d'amore*

Marianna Martines *Overture / Symphony in C*

Mozart *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*

Dittersdorf *Concerto in A for oboe d'amore*

Thelma Handy *violin/director*

Jonathan Small *oboe d'amore*

Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra

Join us for a blissful summer evening as the **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra** perform five bright, vibrant and irresistibly playful pieces in the inspired setting of St Mary's Church. You'll enjoy well-known orchestral gems like Mozart's *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik* (*A Little Night Music*) and Bach's lively *Brandenburg Concerto*. You'll also be introduced to the soothing sounds of the oboe d'amore – oboe of love in Italian!

Tickets: £25 Concessions: £23

Book tickets here: <https://www.theforumbarrow.co.uk/event/rlpo-a-little-night-music/#book-now>

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.