

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year C

2nd March 2025

8th Sunday of OT

Psalter week 4

Weekdays Year 1

Office hours:

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 – 3:15pm

Deadline for newsletter: Thursday

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 1 st March	5:30pm	St Mary's	EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Ian Whyte RIP
Sun 2 nd March	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's		Len Kittley RIP Max Scattergood RIP Birthday Memories Liam, Holly and Georgia RIP People of the Parish
Mon 3 rd March	9:30am	St Mary's		Peter Daw RIP Birthday Memories
Tues 4 th March	9:30am	St Mary's		Mary Maginess RIP
Wed 5 th March	9:30am 6:00pm	St Mary's St Mary's	ASH WEDNESDAY	Beatrice Mary Gaynor Sick and Housebound of the Parish
Thurs 6 th March	9:30am	St Mary's		Mike Mills RIP
Fri 7 th March	9:30am	Holy Family		Derek Walsh RIP
Sat 8 th March	11:00am	St Mary's		Peter Crosthwaite RIP Bill Evans RIP Anniversary
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Sun 9th March	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's	FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT	People of the Parish Phyliss Steel RIP Patricia Blake RIP Anniversary Shelly Marsden
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Confessions are available after 11am Mass every Saturday or after Mass during the week on request.

Eucharistic Adoration 8:45am, Monday to Thursday provided there is a Mass in St. Marys that

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish: and for those who have died recently, especially **Peter Crosthwaite** whose funeral service will take place on **Monday 10th March 1:00pm** at Thorncliffe Crematorium (please note that this is a change of date from the previous bulletin) and **Frances Sear**

First Holy Communion: This will take place in all churches on **Sunday 8th June 2025.**

Next preparation session – **Monday 10th March. St Mary's Church.**

Lent:

Lent begins with **Ash Wednesday on 5th March.** Mass and distribution of Ashes will be in **St Mary's at 9:30am and 6:00pm**

Stations of the Cross: these will take place every **Friday at 12:30pm in St Mary's beginning 7th March** and every **Wednesday at 6:00pm in St Columba's beginning 12th March.**

Adoration, Reflection and Benediction: will take place every **Thursday at 6:00pm beginning 13th March.**

Lourdes: This year's Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from **Monday 15th September to Saturday 20th September 2025.** This is a change to the proposed dates previously advertised due to flight costs. We will be travelling to Stansted on **Sunday 14th September**, staying overnight and flying to Lourdes the next day. The cost is approximately **£750 per person sharing or single room rate approximately £880.** Price includes transfer to and from Stansted, overnight stay at Stansted on the outward journey, flights (Ryan Air) with priority boarding and 2 bags, hotel with **half board** and transfer between Lourdes airport and Hotel Alba in Lourdes.

Booking forms are available from the Parish office or via email (requests to office@olof.org.uk) and should be returned with a **non-refundable deposit of £200** per person (payment details are on the booking form) by **Friday 7th March please.** Anyone wishing to join the pilgrimage after this date will need to book their own flights.

Barrow Classical Music Foundation Concerts at St Mary's:

Saturday 22nd March 2:00pm

Salwan Cartwright Shamoon (baritone) and Fr Manny (piano) perform a selection of songs from your favourite shows (*Les Mis, Allegro, Sound of Music, South Pacific & Oklahoma!*) along with some beloved Irish songs.

Do come along and join us for a beautiful afternoon of music making.

Saturday 5th April 2:00pm

Verna Trio (Piano, Violin and Cello) from the Royal Northern College of

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 303 3030. You can also text: CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.



Pope Francis Prayer Intention – March 2025

In March we pray with Pope Francis for families in crisis.

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Mass attendance: -

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (23rd February)

Sacred Heart - 91 St Mary's – Vigil 113 11:00am 173 St Columba's - 94 Holy Family - 132

Offertory Collection:

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (23rd February) - £3,200.07 (including standing orders). Thanks to all who have contributed.

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 **Theodore Michael Watson** who was baptised last weekend. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.