

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year C

25th May 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Psalter week 2

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 24 th May	5:30pm	St Mary's	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Margaret and Joseph Savage RIP
Sun 25 th May	9:30am 11:00am	St Mary's St Mary's		Keith Vincent RIP Derek Walsh RIP
Mon 26 th May	9:30am	St Mary's	St Philip Neri	Mary and John Wallace
Tues 27 th May	9:30am	St Mary's	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY	Madge and Andy McEwan
Wed 28 th May	9:30am (No Mass)	St Mary's	Adoration and Benediction	
Thurs 29 th May	10:30am 6:00pm	St Mary's St Mary's	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	John and Frances Douglas Anne and Ken Hewston and Moira Doyle RIP
Fri 30 th May	9:30am	Holy Family		Mary and Andrew Tunn RIP
Sat 31 st May	11:00am	St Mary's	VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Sadie and Patrick Gribben RIP
Sat 1 st June	5:30pm	St Mary's		Birthday Bouquet Mass for Kathleen Ryan and Teresa O'Dea
Sun 2 nd June	9:00am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Holy Family St Columba's Sacred Heart St Mary's	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	People of the Parish Michael Mulgrew RIP Alan Barnes RIP Anniversary Brian Mellen RIP Anniversary

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 morning at 9:30am.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish: and for those who have died recently, especially Natalie Benzie, Irene Laing and Diane Finlayson whose funeral service will take place on Thursday 29th May, 12 noon at St Mary's.

Please note that on Wednesday (28th May) there is no Mass. Instead, there will be Adoration and Benediction.

Thursday 29th May is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

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

Rehearsal session – **Monday 2nd June 6:00pm St Mary's Church.**

Confirmations: Bishop Paul will be coming to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for our young people (Year 6 and above) on **Tuesday 24th June at 6:30pm.** If you would like to be Confirmed, please obtain an application form from the parish office (01229 820210). The preparation meetings will take place at **St Mary's Church on Thursday 29th May, Tuesday 10th June and Monday 23rd June.**

There will also be a day trip to Coniston for the candidates on Saturday 14th June departing from St Mary's at 10:30am.

The Canon's Ceilidh! To celebrate Fr Manny's appointment as a Canon of the Cathedral Chapter, on **Friday 30th May, 6:00pm at St Mary's,** there will be a Mass of Thanksgiving followed by a **Ceilidh dance and buffet supper in the Parish centre.** Everyone is most welcome to come. Tickets therefore will be issued on a first come, first served basis. These will be available at the back of each Church or the Parish office. If you do take a ticket and then find you can't attend, please return it so it can be used by somebody else. Tickets still available.

Anyone willing to help make / donate food for the buffet please contact **Maria Hacking on 07711578816.**

On the morning of the 30th May, we will need volunteers at the Parish centre to help set everything up – please meet at the Parish Centre at 10:30am.

Evelyn Steel: I would like to thank you all for asking after me and praying for me during and after my recent spell in hospital. I was very touched by your concern. It was greatly appreciated. God bless you all. Evelyn Steel.

St Pius Job Vacancy: Job title: Part Time, Permanent, Caretaker

Telephone no: (01229) 828406

Email: admin@st-piusx.cumbria.sch.uk

Employer: Lancaster Diocese / Mater Christi Multi Academy Trust

Application closing date: 12 noon on Wednesday 11th June 2025.

Start date: As soon as possible (dependent on checks and clearances)

Location: BARROW-IN-FURNESS **Salary:** Job Family Operations, Grade 5, SCP 6, £23,310.30 per annum, pro rata £7,875.10 (term-time, plus four weeks)

Job category/type: Non-teaching (Primary) - NOR 215 (inc. Nursery)

Post details: The successful candidate will work 12 hours 30 mins per week as soon as possible (dependent on checks and clearances), on a permanent contract. Hours of work will be 7am-9:30am, Monday-Friday, term-time, plus four weeks. Additional hours may be required and will be added to a timesheet. A handover with our current caretaker will take place.

All details can be found on the school website. <https://www.st-piusx.cumbria.sch.uk/information/vacancies>

CASTLERIGG MANOR: YOUTH MINISTRY JOB OPPORTUNITY

Castlerigg Manor is a Catholic retreat Centre in the Lake District run by the Diocese of Lancaster Youth Service. They are looking for a Programme Leader to help look after the residential team of young interns and to lead programmes both at Castlerigg and occasionally around the area. Competitive salary, as well as accommodation and food provided. Anyone interested can contact jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk

Gift Aid: A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify me if you are no longer a taxpayer or you paid insufficient tax during 2024/25 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year. At the present standard rate of tax of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1 donated. **If you are still waiting to receive Gift Aid envelopes, please notify the parish office.**

Mass Attendance: - **5th Sunday of Easter (18th May)** Sacred Heart – 95, St Mary's – Vigil 121, 11:00am – 160, St Columba's – 95, Holy Family – 132.

Offertory Collection: 5th Sunday of Easter (18th May) £2,964.32 (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 **Sienna Ellis Benson** who was baptised last weekend. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.