

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year A

21st December 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Psalter week 4

Weekdays Yr 1

Office hours:

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 – 3:15pm

Deadline for newsletter: Thursday

12:00pm



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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 20th December	5:00pm	St Mary's	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	John Manning RIP Anniversary
Sun 21st December	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's		Len Kittley RIP Phyliss Steel RIP Anniversary
Mon 22 nd December	10:00am	St Mary's		Philip Haynes RIP Anniversary
Tues 23 rd December	10:00am	St Mary's		Mike Mills and Sheila Atkinson RIP
Wed 24 th December	5:00pm 7:00pm	St Mary's St Mary's	CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL	Pearl Knight RIP Joseph Andrews RIP
Thurs 25 th December	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST	Vera, John and Anthony Burden RIP Ann Craig RIP
Fri 26 th December	11:00am	St Mary's	ST STEPHEN	Pearl and Peter Keleher RIP 70 th Wedding Anniversary Memories
Sat 27 th December	11:00am	St Mary's	ST JOHN	Margaret Tunstall RIP
Sat 27th December	5:00pm	St Mary's		Kathleen Ryan and Teresa O'Dea
Sun 28th December	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's	THE HOLY FAMILY	Malcolm Mancey Jones RIP Tommy McCowan RIP

Confessions are available 10.15am – 10.55am every Saturday or after Mass during the week on request.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place 45 minutes before each Mass on weekdays and Saturdays.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish: and for those who have died recently especially **Christina Watts**, **Kevin McCracken** whose funeral service will take place on Monday 29th December 2:00pm at St Mary's and **Sarah Moss** whose funeral service will take place on Friday 2nd January 1:00pm at St Mary's.

Christmas service for the Bereaved – Monday 22nd December 6:30pm at St Mary's

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.

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Lourdes: This year's Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from **Friday 28th August to Wednesday 2nd September 2026**. We will be travelling to Stansted on **Thursday 27th August**, staying overnight and flying to Lourdes the next day. The cost is approximately **£775 per person sharing or single room rate** approximately **£960**. 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 27th February 2026** please.

Mass Attendance: Third Sunday of Advent (14th December) St Mary's – Vigil 126, 11:00am – 238, Holy Family – 205
Total attendance – 569

Offertory Collection: Third Sunday of Advent (14th December) £2,619.16 (including standing orders). Thanks to all who have contributed.

Baptism: We congratulate **Freddie Beau Gilmour and Kobimfenna Freddie Lipscombe** who were baptised last weekend. Please keep them and their family in your prayers.

Mass Times and Intentions
Year A 28th December 2025 The Holy Family

Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Sat 27th December	5:00pm	St Mary's	THE HOLY FAMILY	Kathleen Ryan and Teresa O'Dea
Sun 28th December	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's		Malcolm Mancey Jones RIP Tommy McCowan RIP
Mon 29 th December	10:00am	St Mary's		Terry Waiting RIP
Tues 30 th December	10:00am	St Mary's		Eileen Martin RIP Anniversary
Wed 31 st December	10:00am	St Mary's	Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary	
Thurs 1 st January	12:00noon	St Mary's	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	Lara Cunningham RIP Anniversary
Fri 2 nd January	10:00am	Holy Family	St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen	Mary and Andrew Tunn RIP
Sat 3 rd January	11:00am	St Mary's		John Gilchrist
Sat 3rd January	5:00pm	St Mary's		Michelle Murphy
Sun 4th January	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY	J and M Dunn and Family Terry and Sean Waiting RIP

Baptism: We congratulate **Zara Hope Johnson** who was baptised last weekend. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

*Canon Manny and Deacon Steve wish everyone a very
Happy Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year*