

The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year A

8th March 2026

Third Sunday in Lent

Psalter week 3

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Office hours:

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 – 3:15pm

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12:00pm



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Mass Times and Intentions

Date and Time		Location	Occasion	Intention
Saturday 7 th March	5:00pm	St Mary's	THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT	Kathleen Ryan RIP
Sunday 8 th March	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's		Fr Peter Foulkes RIP Neil McMillan
Monday 9 th March	10:00am	St Mary's		Tricia Blake RIP
Tuesday 10 th March	9:00am	St Mary's		Joe Ducie RIP Anniversary
Wednesday 11 th March	10:00am	St Mary's	Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary	No Mass
Thursday 12 th March	10:00am	St Mary's		Denis Orrell
Friday 13 th March	10:00am	Holy Family	Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary	No Mass
Saturday 14 th March	11:00am	St Mary's		Kathleen Margaret Smith RIP
Saturday 14 th March	5:00pm	St Mary's		Karen Hodgson RIP Birthday Memories
Sunday 15 th March	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's	FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT	Margherita Mascaghi RIP Murphy and Harper Families

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 **Mary Nelson, Kathleen (Pat) Sheppard; Bernard Quinn; Bryan Mills** whose funeral service will take place on Monday 9th March 2:30pm in the Trevelyan Chapel; **Paul Scott** whose funeral service will take place on Thursday 12th March 1:00pm in St Mary's and **Paul Lashmar** whose funeral service will take place on Friday 13th March 9:30pm in St Mary's.

Stations of the Cross: these will take place every Friday in Lent at 12:30pm in St Mary's.

Please note that Mass on Tuesday will be at the earlier time of 9:00am as the clergy will be attending the Deanery conference.

Mass on Thursday this week is at 10:00am and there is no Mass on Friday 13th March.

First Holy Communion: This will take place in all churches on **Sunday 7th June 2026.**

The next preparation meeting will take place in the **Parish Centre on Monday 9th March at 6:00pm.**

Lourdes: We still have a few spare places for our pilgrimage to Lourdes. This 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) as soon as possible please.

Furness Churches United Choir:

'Greater Than Gold' The story of Mary Jones and her Bible

Friday 20th March 7:30pm St Mark's Church Barrow.

Admission is free with a retiring collection to support Christian Music Ministries and St Mary's Hospice

Barrow Classical Music Foundation:

Next Concert: Saturday 28th March 2:30pm in St Mary's

Distinguished Hungarian Pianist – Daniel Lehardt will perform music by Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin and Schubert. All are welcome, admission is free but there will be a retiring collection.

Pope's Prayer Intention for March:

In March, let us pray with Pope Leo that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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.

Mass Attendance: Second Sunday in Lent (28th February 2026) St Mary's – Vigil 141, 11:00am – 249, Holy Family – 202. Total attendance – 592

Offertory Collection: Second Sunday in Lent (28th February 2026) £2,762.33 (including standing orders). Thanks to all who have contributed.

Baptism: We congratulate **Elsie Rose Rimmer** who was baptised last weekend. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.