






The Parish of Our Lady of Furness

Year A
17th May 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Psalter week 3
Weekdays of Easter



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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
Saturday 16th May	5:00pm	St Mary's	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Sally Roche RIP
Sunday 17th May	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's		Joseph Andrews RIP Pat O'Halloran
Monday 18 th May	10:00am	St Mary's		Kate Douglas RIP
Tuesday 19 th May	11:30am	St Mary's	Requiem Mass	Desmond Flood RIP
Wednesday 20 th May	10:00am	St Mary's	Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary	No Mass
Thursday 21 st May	10:00am	St Mary's	Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary	No Mass
Friday 22 nd May	10:00am	Holy Family		Deceased Members of the Quinn Family RIP
Saturday 23 rd May	11:00am	St Mary's		Brian Crowe RIP
Saturday 23rd May	5:00pm	St Mary's		Kate Winter RIP
Sunday 24th May	9:30am 11:00am	Holy Family St Mary's	PENTECOST	All Priests Patrick Gribben RIP 25 th Anniversary

Next Sunday (24th May) is Pentecost

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, **Kit O'Hara**, **Desmond Flood** whose Requiem Mass will take on Tuesday 19th May 11:30am at St Mary's (Desmond will be received into Church at 4:30pm on Monday 18th May) and **Idena Carruthers** whose funeral service will take place on Thursday 28th May 1:00pm at Thorncliffe Crematorium.

Please note that there will be no Mass on Thursday 21st May as Canon Manny is presiding at the Chapter of Canon's Mass at Lancaster Cathedral at 12 noon.

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

The final preparation meeting will take place in the **Parish Centre** on **Monday 1st June at 6:00pm.**

Gift Aid:

A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify the parish office if you are no longer a taxpayer or you paid insufficient tax during 2025/26 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 have moved house during the tax year please ensure that you have notified your parish. If you are now in a position to gift aid your donations, please complete a Gift Aid Declaration form available from the back of Church. Gift Aid Envelopes can be requested from the parish office.

'Day for Discerning Vocation to the Priesthood'

Bishop Paul invites you to join him at Lancaster Cathedral, along with others from across our diocese, at the next 'Day for Discerning Vocation to the Priesthood': **Saturday 30 May beginning with Mass at 12.15pm.** He looks forward to joining you for lunch and the opportunity to talk and reflect together.

Gathering for Catholic Doctors:

Lancaster Cathedral 6th June 1:00pm

An opportunity for Catholic doctors to meet and support each other in their faith, and in the vocation as doctors. There will be a light lunch in the Cathedral library followed by a talk on 'The Art of Dying Well' by Dr Amy Gadoud. Please email cathedral@lrcd.org.uk to confirm attendance

Churches Together / Anna Chaplaincy:

Tea Service at Holy Family Church, Ostley Bank.

2nd Monday of each Month (next date 8th June) 2:00pm

Come for a short (about 20minutes) Christian Service, followed by tea /coffee, cakes and chat.

All are welcome

Pope's Prayer Intention for May:

In May, let us pray with Pope Leo that everyone might have food:

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Mass Attendance: Sixth Sunday of Easter (10th May 2026) St Mary's – Vigil 138, 11:00am – 275, Holy Family – 182.

Total attendance – 595

Offertory Collection: Sixth Sunday of Easter (10th May 2026) £2526.78 (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.