OUR LADY OF WINDERMERE & ST HERBERT AND MATER AMABILIS, AMBLESIDE

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Masses and Intentions19 August 2023 – 27 August 2023MA= Mater Amabilis, AmblesideOLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert20 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)Sat 195.30pm (OLW) (Stella & Joseph
Bullock)Vigil MassSun 209.30am (MA) (Chris & Jacqui Lloyd – 40th
Wedding Anniversary)11 15 cm (OLW)

	11.15am (OLW)
Tues 22	12.00pm Funeral of Edward Francis
	Bernard Pope (MA)
Wed 23	9.30am (OLW) (Derek Walsh)
Fri 25	9.30am (OLW) (Jean Hutchinson) followed
	by Confessions

21 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)

Sat 26	5.30pm (Sung) (OLW) (Jeff Henry RIP) Vigil
	Mass
Sun 27	9.30am (Sung) (Lilian Barnes RIP) (MA)
	11.15am (OLW)

Mass in Polish is now on a summer break until September.

For those who are sick: Please pray for Ruth Gajdowska and Rose Crowe who are sick. We hold in our prayers all parishioners who are sick at this time, and those caring for them.

Anniversaries. Of your charity, please pray for the souls of: Mary Wooll, Michael Wooll, Jospeh Garde, Margaret McNamara, Lilian Barnes, Michael Pollard, James Francis Magennis, Irene Holmes, Joseph Billington, Frances Elizabeth Downey, Patricia Smith, Marie Ann Partridge, Mary Catherine Kirkbride, George Charnley, Mary Boxcer, John Shute, Adrian Precey, JJ Aitchison, Joseph Hogan, Rev W Magauran, Rev B Dewhurst, Canon W Jackson, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Lately dead: Of your charity, please pray for the souls of Jeff Henry and Fr John Dobson, lately dead. *May all our deceased loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory*.

There is no organist at Windermere (19/20 August), but there will be an organist and the usual music at both Windermere Masses on 26/27 August.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor. Deadline Wed lunchtime.

Email: greetingsolw22@gmail.com

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Confessions usually take place at Mater Amabilis, Ambleside on the First Saturday of the month at 10.30am. At Windermere Confession is every Friday after Mass at 10.00am. Check the newsletter, as there will be no Confession at Windermere if, for some reason, there is no Mass on that Friday.

Parish News

THANK YOU TO OUR WINDERMERE 'SCRATCH CHOIR!

A big thank you to Julia, Leslie and Christine who have formed a choir and sung in sweet harmony on the last two Sunday Masses at Windermere. And thank you to Joan from Lancaster Cathedral choir who joined us last Sunday.

It's clear that everyone has been inspired and uplifted by the singing - which only goes to show that a little goes a long way!

Like to have a go on Sunday morning or Saturday evening vigil Mass – both at Windermere? Just come up and say Hi! Singing with others is a great buzz – and a way of giving that little bit of extra encouragement to the congregation. And if you play an instrument – bring that too!

SUNDAY ROTA AT AMBLESIDE

The latest rota for church duties at Ambleside has just been drawn up, covering greeting, reading, flowers, cleaning, and coffee after mass on Sunday. A very big thank you to the small but faithful band of volunteers who share this work between them every single week of the year.

However, some additional volunteers would be very welcome - for any or all of these duties. If you are able to help in any way, please let Anne Corin know - <u>annecorin@btintenet.com</u> / 015394 33944. The more people we have on the rota, the less often you have to take your turn!

HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS on SUNDAY!

Parishioners and visitors both! Don't forget refreshments are served after Sunday Mass at both Mater Amabilis and Our Lady of Windermere. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits are yours. No charge, but donations welcome which benefit many charities throughout the year, including CAFOD, Aid to the Church in Need and Mary's Meals. At Wiindermere, donations are currently going towards the church roof fund.

AND TALKING OF THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF

It's not easy for a parish as small as ours to find money for big building projects. Fortunately, the roof at Windermere has protected us for a good 50 years with only a little make do and mend along the way.

But there comes a time in every building, when it becomes dangerous to ignore the warning signs. And that's where we are at now. We need to find £120k-£150k to make

major repairs and restoration of the roof not only of the church, but also the interconnected hall, which also serves our Catholic school.

What can you do?

Firstly, pray for us. Ask Our Lord to help us repair His House as a sanctuary for the Holy Eucharist and a meeting place for His people in Windermere. And also ask Our Blessed Lady to put in a good word with the Father on our behalf.

Secondly, if you have skills and ideas that might help us in fundraising, do make yourself known to Father Ajish.

Thirdly, don't be surprised if you find an extra basket for donations on your way out of church after Mass. We want to be here for our parishioners and our many visitors for years to come. But we need your support, to add to our own fundraising and grant applications. Whatever you can spare to help us will be very gratefully received.

A big thank you to everyone who has generously donated since we began our little fundraising campaign. We will be designating special Masses for the intentions of our benefactors throughout the year.

Around the Diocese

CLEATOR PILGRIMAGE to the Diocesan shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes will be on **Sunday 10th September** with the theme "Our Lady, Star of the Sea".

Tea and coffee provided - bring a pack lunch. A beautiful replica of the Lourdes grotto and Cleator statues in the grounds.

Mass and blessing of the sick at 3pm with Bishop Paul Swarbrick. Email stmandstj@gmail.com / 01946 810324.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN YOUR AREA!

Looking for a new challenge? Join CAFOD's team of school volunteers to inspire children and young people and deepen their understanding of global justice. By running inspiring assemblies and engaging workshops, you will tap into their natural compassion and sense of fairness, and they will be excited about making a difference. Use your skills for the common good and be an active part of creating a world without poverty. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided.

For more information, please contact: Nicola Blanchfield (Supporting CAFOD's work in schools across the Lancaster Diocese)

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MORE NEWS FROM CAFOD

For generations, small-scale farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds to produce food and maintain biodiversity. More recently, farmers have also developed seeds that ensure crops are resilient to climate change. However, their right to choose what seeds they use is increasingly under threat as new laws are introduced across the world that limit what small farmers can do with their seeds. These laws, which are being brought in with the support of global financial institutions such as the World Bank, overwhelmingly favour large agricultural businesses. Instead of being able to choose their own seeds, small farmers must purchase commercial seeds – something that is good for big business but not good for the small farmers. Protecting the freedom of farmers to choose seeds is a right we must all stand up for if we are to tackle global poverty.

This weekend parishioners and visitors will be invited to add their names to a letter being sent to the World Bank ahead of their meeting in Morocco this October. Our parish CAFOD Representatives will be available as you leave church today and the letter will remain available for signing next weekend also.

Around the South Lakes

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!

It's lovely to see visitors returning to the Lakes, and to our churches over this summer. You are all very welcome! We wish you a restful/ exciting holiday and hope that being here in this beautiful landscape will send you back home refreshed.

For anyone travelling around the Lakes while on holiday, a reminder that you can find **Mass times** and other information for our sister parishes online. Here are website details for our closest neighbours:

KENDAL (also serves SEDBURGH): https://kendalcatholicchurch.uk KESWICK (also serves COCKERMOUTH): http://cockermouthandkeswickcatholicchurch.co.uk CONISTON (also serves MILLOM): https://saintfranciscumbria.com PENRITH: https://stcatherinepenrith.org.uk BARROW in FURNESS: https://ourladyoffurness.org.uk ULVERSTON (also serves DALTON in FURNESS)@ https://stmarysrculverston.weebly.com

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARY'S CofE CHURCH, WINDERMERE

A series of events will be held at St Mary's CofE Church in Windermere:

Thurs 31 August 7.00pm, 'Wordsworth and Coleridge - Finding God in the Mountains' a talk by Diana Marsham
Sat 21 Sept 6.00pm 'Talking Heads – a monologue'
17 Sept 2.00pm, ' Capello – a concert'
For more information contact the Parish Office 015394
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