

# 9/10 September 2023 23 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

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MATER AMABILIS, AMBLESIDE**

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## **Masses and Intentions**

**9 Sept 2023 – 17 Sept 2023**

**MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside**

**OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert**

**23 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)**

Sat 9	10.00am (MA) <b>Confessions</b> 5.30pm ( <i>Sung</i> ) (OLW) ( <i>Deceased members of the McCullough family</i> ) Vigil Mass
Sun 10	9.30am (MA) ( <i>John Rabjohns</i> ) 11.15am (OLW) ( <i>Krysta Millar – new job</i> )
Tues 12	9.30am (MA) ( <i>Franciscan Friars – Bradford</i> )
Wed 13	9.30am (OLW) ( <i>Ian Millar</i> )
Fri 15	9.30am (OLW) followed by <b>Confessions</b>

**24 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)**

Sat 16	5.30pm ( <i>Sung</i> ) (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 17	9.30am (MA) ( <i>Mollie – birthday</i> ) 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: Sandy (Ignatius) Sandwell, Aldo Detamaso, Suzanne Follen, Aiden Frodsham, Margaret Duff, Elizabeth McAlindon, Kathleen Fernley, Teresa Robinson, Winifred Ryan Cuthbert Baines, John McVey, Henry Horayold-Strickland, Daniel Reddy, William Brown, George Davidson, Agnes Gurnly, Mgr L Ashworth, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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

**Hymns for Vigil Mass at Windermere: 212, 648, 929, 367**

**The annual Mass count will be carried out on the last two weeks of September and first two weeks in October.**

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

**Email: [greetingsolw22@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## **Thought for the Day**

Something unusual and wonderful is happening this weekend. Nothing less than the beatification of a whole family - a Polish Catholic family of nine - who were murdered in March 1944 for helping and hiding Jews. It will take place on Sunday 10 September in Markowa in Poland, where they lived.

Ahead of the beatification, Pope Francis has upheld the Ulma family's collective witness of faith in giving their lives to protect persecuted Jews during World War II.

"May the sacrifice made by the family of Józef and Wiktoria Ulma and their children, who did not hesitate to give their lives to help eight people of Jewish origin, be for us and future generations a symbol of faithfulness to values that must never be betrayed even under threat of death."

Despite the murder of the Ulmas—meant to strike fear into the hearts of villagers—their neighbours continued to hide Jewish fugitives until the end of World War II in Europe. At least 21 Polish Jews survived in Markowa during the occupation of Poland by Nazi Germany. They are regarded by the State of Israel as Righteous Among the Nations.

After their deaths, it was discovered that the family bible had the story of the Good Samaritan underlined in red. Josef and Wiktoria must have deeply felt the message of this story and were inspired by it to risk their lives to save their Jewish neighbours.

Cardinal Semeraro will celebrate the beatification Mass in Markowa on 10 September alongside 1,000 priests and 80 cardinals and bishops from Poland and abroad, with over 32,000 faithful registered to attend.

The Chief Rabbi of Poland will also be present at the Mass. The beatified family members are Jozef and Wiktoria Ulma and their children Stanisława, Barbara, Władysław, Franciszek, Antoni, Maria, and an unnamed child.

*No Greater Love – The Martyrdom of the Ulma Family by Jean Olwen Maynard. Catholic Truth Society, 2023.*

## **Parish News**

**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 Windermere, donations are currently going towards the church roof fund.

## ANNUAL EDUCATION MASS

The Diocesan Education Mass will be held at **St Peter's Cathedral Lancaster, on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm**. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be provided after the service at Lancaster Town Hall.

## AND THE NEXT INSTALLMENT OF THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF ....

If you have been following the story of the Windermere church roof, you'll know that 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.

Fortunately, the roof isn't about to fall down on our heads – yet - but if we don't grasp this opportunity to fix matters, not only the roof, but the structure of the rest of the church could be at risk.

What can you do?

**Firstly**, pray for us. Ask Our Lord to help us repair His House, our sanctuary of 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**, we need ideas and help for fundraising. If this is something you can help with, **please contact Caroline Kaye on 07767163479**. Ideas great and small are all welcome!

**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 efforts and grant applications. Whatever you can spare to help us will be very gratefully received.

A big thank you to everyone who has already generously donated since we began our little fundraising campaign. Thanks to you, we have currently raised over £1,000. We will be designating special Masses for the intentions of our benefactors throughout the year.

We have selected the architectural consultants to work with us on this project, and have met with the Diocesan Property Officer on the next steps.

As things progress, we will be keeping you updated with what's happening.

## Around the South Lakes

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARY'S CofE CHURCH, WINDERMERE

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

**17 Sept 2.00pm**, 'Capello – a concert'

**Sat 21 Sept 6.00pm** 'Talking Heads – a monologue' This performance has now been postponed until 2024.

For more information contact the **Parish Office 015394 44176**.

### CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN AMBLESIDE AND DISTRICT - FILM CLUB

The CTAD will be going to Zefferelli's on Wed 13 Sept to see 'My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3' at Zeff's By the Park at 5.45pm.

If you would like to join them, please contact Anne Corin via email: [annecorin@btintertnet.com](mailto:annecorin@btintertnet.com) or by phone on 07866 850672, no later than Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### Want to donate to Our Lady of Windermere roof appeal, but don't carry cash?

Donations can be made directly into the OLW Parish bank account:

**Acc. Name: Parish of Our Lady of Windermere and St Herbert**

**Sort code: 40-27-02**

**Acc. Number: 41335588**

**Please put 'ROOF' as your reference.**

***The parish thanks you for your generosity.***

## Around the Diocese

### CAFOD – Fix The Food System

Thank you to everyone who signed the letter to the World Bank in our parishes over the past two weekends.

If you missed the opportunity, or would like to do more, please visit [www.cafod.org.uk/campaign/fix-the-food-system](http://www.cafod.org.uk/campaign/fix-the-food-system)

where you can send a message to the U.K. Executive Director of the World Bank on this matter.

### Prayer

***Living God, We give you thanks for the wonder of your creation which reflects your glory.***

***From the tiniest seed, new life breaks through, shoots grow and fruit multiplies, yielding a feast for your people.***

***But we have strayed from your path and these riches are no longer shared by all.***

***Renew our hope that another way is possible. Strengthen our voices as we proclaim what is right and just.***

***And be with us as we stand together throughout the world sowing seeds of a brighter future where everyone has enough to eat.***