### 16/17 September 2023 24 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

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

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### Masses and Intentions 16 Sept 2023 - 24 Sept 2023

MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside

OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert 24 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)

Sat 16 10.00am (MA) Confessions

5.30pm (Sung) (OLW) Vigil Mass (Chris

Lewis RIP)

Sun 17 9.30am (MA) (Mollie - birthday)

11.15am (OLW) (Veronica O'Neill)

Tues 19 9.30am (MA) (Pearl Knight)

Wed 20 9.30am (OLW) (Ron & Joan Cook RIP) Fri 22 9.30am (OLW) (Andy McDonald – sick)

followed by Confessions

### 25 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)

Sat 23 5.30pm (Sung) (OLW) (Graham Last –

sick) Vigil Mass

Sun 24 9.30am (MA) (Albin Binu – starting

university)
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: John Rabjohns, John Cornforth, Anna Moser, Sigfride Ambrogi, James Craven, George Parker, James Bannance, Frank Carr, Mgr Kershaw, Mgr Kenny, Michael (Mike) Barton, Peter Haslam, 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: 706, 627, 813, 960

At the Saturday Vigil Mass at OLW we welcome Mgr Slattery, whom many parishioners will remember from his time at Windermere! To give folk a chance to chat to Mgr, there will be refreshments after the Vigil Mass in the church hall.

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

Second Collection on 16/17 Sept is to support preparations for the Evangelii Gaudium Jubilee Year in 2025 in our diocese.

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.

### Thought for the Day

"But Jesus has been gracious enough to teach me a lesson about this mystery, simply by holding up to my eyes the book of nature. I realised, then, that all the flowers He has made are beautiful; the rose in its glory, the lily in its whiteness, don't rob the tiny violet of its sweet smell, or the daisy of its charming simplicity.... And so it is with the world of souls, which is His garden.

He wanted to have great Saints, to be His lilies and roses, but He has made lesser Saints as well; and these lesser ones must be content to rank as daisies and violets, lying at His feet and giving pleasure to His eye like that. Perfection consists simply in doing His will, and being just what He wants us to be.

From St Therese of Lisieux, Autobiography (trans. Mgr Ronald Knox)

### **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.

# 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 £3,000.** 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.

# 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.

### PARISH GARDENING DAY AT WINDERMERE

The church grounds in the car park are looking rather shabby and overgrown and we need your help, please!

We have asked Father Ajish for a 'BIG GARDENING DAY' to help tidy it up. This will take place on 7th & 8th of October, from 10 am - 4 pm on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and 12 pm - 4 pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> both at Our Lady's, Windermere.

We will need people to prune and weed shrubs, sweep, remove dead branches, bag and transport them to the tip for recycling if possible. If you can spare even an hour to help, or maybe more, please come along. The more, the merrier.

If you are unable to do any 'heavy' work, we also need people to help with refreshments , e.g. tea/coffee and biscuits will be available for the gardeners to keep their strength up!

If you can bring along your own tools, e.g. secateurs, brooms etc., that would be great! For more details, contact **Caroline on 07767 163479.** 

### **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.

### **Around the Diocese**

### 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.

### **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 <a href="www.cafod.org.uk/campaign/fix-the-food-system">www.cafod.org.uk/campaign/fix-the-food-system</a>

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.