

9/10 March 2024 4 Sunday of Lent Yr B

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

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Masses and Intentions

9 Mar 2024 – 17 Mar 2024

MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside

OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert

4 Sunday of Lent (Yr B)

Sat 9 March **Confessions** MA 10.30am
5.30pm (OLW) (*Anne Fletcher – sick*) Vigil Mass

Sun 10 9.30am (MA) (*John Armstrong - sick*)
11.15am (OLW)

Tues 12 (*9.00am Stations of the Cross*) 9.30am (MA)
(*St Francis Leprosy Guild*)

Wed 13 (*9.00am Rosary*) 9.30am (OLW) (*A Willis – sick*)

Fri 15 (*9.00am Stations of the Cross*) 9.30am (OLW)
(*Newby Family*)

Confessions before Mass

5 Sunday of Lent (Yr B)

Sat 16 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish
5.30pm (OLW) (*Sung*) Vigil Mass

Sun 17 9.30am (MA)
11.15am (OLW)

For those who are sick: Please pray for Tony and Myra Daly, Tony Cook, Ruth Gajdowska, and Margaret (Meg) Wood, who are sick. Please pray also for Julie Pomfret (née* Fleming) who is recovering in hospital after a stroke. 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: Margaret Katherine O'Connor, Anne Connelly, Mary Tinsley, Fran Nickson, Gertrude Martindale, Agnes Henderson, Fr Bernard Whiteside, Fr Henry Gillett, Sarah Parsons, Elinor Glendinning, Edmund Holme, Kathleen Blezzard, Rev J Slater, Rev J Harman, Rev G Farrell, Fr L Wells, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Latently dead: Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Constance Barber and Pauline Mary Cannon, late of our parish, and Patrick Boylan, all of whom died recently.

May all our deceased loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory.

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 on **Friday before Mass.**

Throughout Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross at both Mater Amabilis and Our Lady of Windermere before weekday Masses (but not Wednesday at OLW, when Rosary is said).

We have a card machine for donations at Windermere! Please see the Stewards in the church entrance as you come in or leave. This can be used for your weekly offering, or for special collections or the Roof Fund.

DATES for YOUR DIARY:

On Tuesday, 26th March, there will be a special service in preparation for Lent at **Our Lady's in Windermere at 6.30pm.** There will be Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a talk for Lent, and the opportunity for individual Confession. The evening will close with Benediction. Please come to spend time with the Lord!

Friday 14th June 2024 marks the 60th anniversary of the dedication of Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's! To celebrate our Jubilee, there will be a special Mass followed by refreshments on that very day, Friday 14th June. The Bishop will be joining us to concelebrate Mass with Fr Ajish and former parish priests. All are welcome.

Look out for other events taking place this year!

Parish News

CAN YOU HELP TO GET OUR CHURCHES READY FOR EASTER?

Help is needed to clean and prepare our churches for Holy Week and the Easter feasts. Cleaning will take place **Mon-Thurs (25-28 March)** at Our Lady of Windermere and also at Mater Amabilis in Ambleside. If you can help, please put your name down on the form in the church entrances.

FIRST COMMUNION

First Communion in our parish will take place on 19th May, and the preparations will be done at St Cuthberts School

If there is child not at the Catholic school who would like to make their First Communion this year at Windermere or Ambleside, please contact Father Ajish to arrange catechism classes.

Parents and guardians! Please support your children taking part in this holy Sacrament! Come along with them to Sunday Mass.

THANKS for the PARISH LUNCH!

A wonderfully social time was enjoyed by parishioners at The Watermill at Ings last Sunday. Many thanks to Caroline and her helpers for organising the lunch and the raffle and to all those who attended and/ or bought raffle tickets or donated raffle prizes.

Some prizes are yet to be collected – see the list on the noticeboard and ask the Stewards at Mass to retrieve your winnings!

The event raised £400 for the Roof Fund. Thank you everyone for your generosity.

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.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Lent. Your generous donations, given in love, will support families around the world and help them with the resources to feed their families for good.

Our combined parishes raised a wonderful total of £721.20. Your generosity is gratefully acknowledged.

Didn't manage to contribute yet? You can still give online at www.cafod.org.uk

Thank you for all your support!

AND BACK TO THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF

Thanks to all the fundraising efforts we have now raised just **over £12,010** - an amazing amount!! Check out the Fund Thermometer in the church entrance to see how far we have got, and how far we have to go to reach our target of £120k.

Our Church was built in 1962 and while the roofs have served us well up to now, they are showing wear and tear and the flat roofs, of which there are six, are failing dramatically. This year, 2024, is the Jubilee Year of the church. Wouldn't it be great to use this anniversary to secure our House of God until the next Jubilee? With your help, we can do it!

Donations will be collected after every Mass, and for your convenience we have a credit card machine for those preferring to make a card donation. Every contribution, regardless of the amount, will be greatly appreciated and help us to reach our goal. Donations may also be made by Bank Transfer. Here are the details:

ACC Name: **Parish of Our Lady of Windermere and St Herbert**

Sort code **40-27-02**

Acc Number: **41335588**

VERY IMPORTANT! Please put 'ROOF' as your reference. Thank you.

If you would like to Gift Aid your donations, please fill in a gift aid envelope (available in the church), write 'ROOF' on the envelope and pop in the black wall box in the church entrance, also marked ROOF. Thank you again!!

MUSIC AND LITURGY for HOLY WEEK and EASTER

There will be solemn singing on Good Friday and joyous singing on Easter Sunday morning with the organ in use again after the long absence of Lent.

If you sing in the congregation and would like to get more out of your singing this year by getting familiar with a couple of short pieces in advance of Holy Week, **please contact Marian on 0771 958 7181**. All are welcome. You don't have to have a splendid voice, a loud voice, or be able to read music, just be enthusiastic!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICE TIMES 2024

We welcome all parishioners and visitors to our Holy Week and Easter celebrations.

Tuesday 26th March

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Lenten Preparation

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, 6.30pm

Maundy Thursday 28th March

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Mater Amabilis, Ambleside 6.30pm

Good Friday 29th March

Stations of the Cross 9.00am

At both Our Lady of Windermere and Mater Amabilis, Ambleside at 9.00am

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Sung)

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, Windermere 3.00pm

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil 30th March

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, Windermere 6.30pm

Easter Sunday 31 March

Mater Amabilis, Ambleside 9.30am

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's

Windermere, (Sung) 11.15am

Don't forget, Sunday 31 March is also when British Summer Time begins and the clocks go forward!!

PRO NOBIS SINGERS

Come and enjoy beautiful sacred music at Kendal Catholic Church, **Holy Trinity and St George, on March 17th at 2.30pm**. Tickets available on the door £12. Children under 16 go free.

CTAD Cinema Club

Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, 13th March** when we will be watching *Wicked Little Letters*, starring Olivia Colman and Jessie Buckley. Meet in the **Bar at Zeffirelli's at 5.30pm**. Our meal will be served afterwards, also at Zeff's, and is the Early Bird Deal - pasta or pizza. Price including the film is £19.95, which you pay after the meal. Drinks and additional dishes are extra. If you would like to attend, **please let Anne Corin know by Sunday evening - annecorin@btinternet.com**.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor: Deadline Wed lunchtime. Email: greetingsolw22@gmail.com