

# 16/17 March 2024 5 Sunday of Lent Yr B

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### Masses and Intentions 16 Mar 2024 – 24 Mar 2024

**MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside**  
**OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert**

#### 5 Sunday of Lent (Yr B)

Sat 16 4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW)  
5.30pm (OLW) (*Sung*) Vigil Mass  
Sun 17 9.30am (MA)  
11.15am (OLW) (*Archie Henfey*)  
Tues 19 (*9.00am Stations of the Cross*) 9.30am (MA)  
Wed 20 (*9.00am Rosary*) 9.30am (OLW)  
Fri 22 (*9.00am Stations of the Cross*) 9.30am (OLW)  
**Confessions** before Mass

#### Palm Sunday (Yr B)

Sat 23 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish  
5.30pm (OLW) (*Sung*) Vigil Mass  
Sun 24 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.

**Lately 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, 26<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> June. The Bishop will be joining us to concelebrate Mass with Fr Ajish and former parish priests. All are welcome.

#### 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.

## 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.

#### ACTIVATING THE CHURCH CAR PARK AT WINDERMERE OVER EASTER

We are hoping to raise money for the church roof by opening the car park to visitors over the Easter weekend .

We will need some volunteers to help with the collecting - it would be especially great to have some men involved! It's not as hard as it sounds, just teams of two being on duty in the car park for a couple of hours collecting the fee of £5 per day.

We will also need a couple high vis vests. Can anyone loan one or two to us?

If you can help, please contact Caroline 07767163479 or Bertha 07879962960 for find out what is involved.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor: Deadline Wed lunchtime. Email: [greetingsolw22@gmail.com](mailto:greetingsolw22@gmail.com)

**YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!**

The parishes of Ambleside and Windermere are both in urgent need of more help. The people who are currently volunteering are overloaded!

Below is list of tasks where a need has been identified right now. But, if you feel you have talents that you could bring to our church community, please feel free to offer your help in any area that interests you.

Some jobs are occasional, some requiring only a few hours per month, and some can be done remotely. The more people we have to spread the load means that the workload will be lighter for everyone.

If you are a frequent visiting worshipper at either of our parishes, perhaps you could consider occasional help for us too?

**Windermere**

1. An additional CAFOD representative (appeals are generally just twice a year)
2. Co-editor for the newsletter (this job can be done from your home)
3. Help setting up and clearing the altar for weekend and weekday Masses
4. Flower Rota. This could be as a flower arranger or as someone who clears away old flowers and washes vases etc.
5. Singing/musician volunteers for major feasts e.g. Christmas /Easter etc.
6. Help removing candle wax from the altar carpet
7. Assisting with thorough church cleaning prior to Easter and Christmas. The more people we can get for this, the smaller the time commitment for everyone. The Easter list is currently in the porch.
8. Tidying the pews after weekend Masses.

**Ambleside**

1. Sacristan
2. Counting and banking collection monies
3. All rota duties: Flowers, cleaning, greeters, tea & coffee after Mass

**Sign-up sheets will be available in the Sacristies of both churches. You can also speak to Father Ajish to let him know of your interest.**

**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.

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**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!!

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICE TIMES 2024**

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

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

***Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Lenten Preparation***

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, 6,30pm

**Maundy Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

***Mass of the Lord's Supper***

Mater Amabilis, Ambleside 6.30pm

**Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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!!***