

20/21 April 2024 4 Sunday of Easter Yr B

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

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Masses and Intentions 20 April 2024 – 28 April 2024

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

4 Sunday of Easter (Yr B)

Sat 20 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish
5.30pm (OLW) (Sung) Vigil Mass
Sun 21 9.30am (MA)
11.15am (OLW) (Sung)
Tues 23 (9.10am Rosary) 9.30am (MA) **Feast of St George,
Patron of England**
Wed 24 (9.10am Rosary) 9.30am (OLW)
Fri 26 (9.10am Rosary) 9.30am (OLW)
Confessions before Mass

5 Sunday of Easter (Yr B)

Sat 27 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish
5.30pm (OLW) (Sung) Vigil Mass
Sun 28 9.30am (MA)
11.15am (OLW)

For those who are sick: Please pray for Tony and Myra Daly, Tony Cook, and Margaret (Meg) Wood, 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: Gwen Kirkbride, Sr Anne Donnockley, Wendy Routledge, George Ismay Morton, Peter James Nicholson, Fr Vincent Marsh, Florence Hayden, Raymund Birkett, John Kirkbride, Canon F Hampson, Quentin Holder, Kathleen Teresa Claydon, Olwyn Ellwood, Hettie Langhorne, Claire Farnell, John Ryan, John Musgrove, Alice Irwin, Rev F Moulding, Rev J Baron, Canon H Martindale, Rev R Dale, Rev G Bilsborrow, Rev J Haydon, (former PP), Rev Bertram Taylor and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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.**

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.

He is Risen! Risen Indeed!



Parish News

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, and also Vocations Sunday, when we pray especially for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. **There will be a second collection at all weekend Masses in both our churches for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund.** This fund supports young men training for the priesthood in England and Wales.

DIOCESE OF LANCASTER PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024

The Diocesan pilgrimage led by Bishop Paul takes place this year **23-29 July.** The costs will be approx.. £899. For more information, to book a place, to register as a volunteer, go to: www.lancasterlourdes.co.uk or contact the Pilgrimage Office on 07738022054.

Father Ajish will be accompanying the young people on the Youth Pilgrimage part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage. Two young people will be visiting Ambleside and Windermere on the weekend of 27/28 April to raise money for the pilgrimage, for which there will be a retiring collection.

DATES for YOUR DIARY:

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 at **6.30pm pm** that day, followed by refreshments after Mass in the form of a **Jacob's Join** in the church hall, at approximately **7.30pm.** So put that date, **Friday 14th June** in your diary.

All parishioners of Our Lady of Windermere and Mater Amabilis in Ambleside, are most welcome to the Mass, as are visitors and all who love our church. The Bishop will be concelebrating Mass with Fr Ajish and former parish priests.

But before we get to this auspicious date, some work needs to be done so as to make this very special one-off event a wonderful experience for all. Some jobs need to take place well in advance, and some near to, or on the day itself. **A special insert for the newsletter with more details about arrangements and how you can help will appear in the next couple of weeks.**

FIRST COMMUNION

First Communion in our parish will take place on 19th May, and the preparations are being carried out at St Cuthberts School

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

OPENING UP THE CAR PARK at OUR LADY of WINDERMERE

We will be opening up the car park for the **next Bank Holiday weekend, 4, 5, 6 May**, to continue to raise money for our Church Roof Fund. If you would like to help again, please put your name down on the list in the entrance. Thank you.

We will also be opening up the car park for the **Bank Holiday at the end of May on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th of May.**

Please contact Caroline 07767163479 or Bertha 07879962960 for more details.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF A CAR BOOT SALE IN SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH ROOF APPEAL

Fancy some Spring cleaning? Realise you have a lot of stuff you want to get rid of from on top of those wardrobes, closets, garage and sheds? Sort them out and save them up for **27th May, when we will be holding a grand Car Boot Sale at Our Lady's in Windermere., 9.30am-1pm**

Cars £10 each

Tables(inside the Hall) £10 each

Refreshments will be available on the day.

Toilet facilities / Accessible access available.

Tables will be on a first come first serve basis, as space is limited.

Book your table or car space with Caroline from May 12th, Tel 07767163479. All unsold tables will be released for other local sellers.

All proceeds from sales of the tables and refreshments will go to the Church Roof Fund.

RAISING THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF!!

Thanks to all the fundraising efforts (including the car park initiative) we have now raised just **over £15,357** - an amazing amount!! Can we make it to £16k by the end of April? 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.

Why do we need to raise such a large sum of money? The parish is now well aware, but our visitors may like to know that our Church was built in 1962 and while the roofs have served us well up to now, they are now, not surprisingly, showing wear and tear. 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!!

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 the 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. Help setting up and clearing the altar for weekend and weekday Masses
3. Flower Rota. This could be as a flower arranger or as someone who clears away old flowers and washes vases etc.
4. Singing/musician volunteers for major feasts e.g. Christmas /Easter etc.
5. Help removing candle wax from the altar carpet
6. 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.

**Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor:
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