



The Parishes of St. Mary | Hornby, with Caton St. Joseph | Kirkby Lonsdale

Parishes in the Roman Catholic Diocese of
Lancaster Registered Charity Number 234331

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 21st March 2021

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Divine Office Psalter - Week 1 Lent Propers

Sunday Readings - Year B

Weekday Readings - Lent Week 5

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Parish Diary

All Masses celebrated at Caton and Hornby will be 'live broadcasted' via Zoom. Please follow link on the Parish Website.

* denotes Mass where no Mass Intention was requested by parishioners.

Sunday 21st March Fifth Sunday in Lent <i>'Passiontide' begins</i> <i>Crosses and images are veiled</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass Anthony Finnerty [LD]* 09.00 St. Joseph Mass Private Intention [AL] 11.00 St. Mary Mass People of the Parish
Monday 22nd March of Lent Week 5 Purple	08.15 St. Mary Mass Holy Souls* <i>No Lent talk this evening due to a Diocesan Meeting</i>
Tuesday 23rd March of Lent Week 5 Purple	17.30 Our Lady Sacrament of Reconciliation 18.00 Our Lady Mass Those who have died from Covid* 20.00 St. Mary Grotto Covid National Day Candles
Wednesday 24th March of Lent Week 5 Purple	08.15 St. Mary Mass Susie & Harry Hardman* 12.30 Beetham Hall Funeral Liturgy Keith Bennison
Thursday 25th March The Annunciation of the Lord Solemnity, White	18.00 St. Joseph Sacrament of Reconciliation 18.30 St. Joseph Mass Helen Hyndman*
Friday 26th March of Lent Week 5 Purple	08.15 St. Mary Mass Foundation Mass 17.00 St. Mary Sacrament of Reconciliation 18.00 St. Mary & Zoom Stations of the Cross
Saturday 27th March of Lent Week 5 Purple	18.00 Our Lady Mass Walter McPhee [h&i]*
Sunday 28th March Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion <i>Holy Week Begins</i>	09.00 St. Joseph Mass For family [JS] 11.00 St. Mary Mass People of the Parish

Covid-19 Guidance

- Instructions are as given in previous weeks please refer to those via the parish website.
- Those who have been vaccinated may want to consider returning back to Holy Mass in coming weeks, even if only to one of the weekday Masses.
- We are restricting numbers in the church buildings: Caton has a capacity of 30. Hornby 24. Kirkby Lonsdale 29. The Sunday Mass with the lowest attendance at the moment is the 6.00 pm Vigil Mass. Hornby is reaching capacity.
- We will take contact details of those attending to enable Track and Trace procedures. NHS Track and Trace app scanning codes are available in all churches. These details will be destroyed after 21 days according to data management regulations.
- The churches are cleaned using a 'fogging' system after each celebration of Holy Mass, if you are visiting for private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's Hornby please clean your space using wipes after use.
- PLEASE NOTE: For all areas of the parish numbers are now all classed as 'suppressed' indicating that there are fewer than 3 cases in each area.



Please pray

For those who are sick or housebound in the parish...

if you want to be included on this list please contact Fr. Michael. Also if you are aware of any errors, please inform Fr Michael via email as soon as possible

Brian Byrne, Sarah Adam, Dennis Brown, Paul Shuttleworth, Keith and Alexa Wightman, Sarah Mason, Kevin Casey, Esther Castle, Chris Broadhurst, Joan Randall, Hazel Waring, Eric and Nina Ireland, Frances McKenzie, Sandie Hardy, Elizabeth Ackerley, Pepe Casanova, Karen Parkinson, Margaret Aspin, Bruce Kay, Colette Calveley, Lucy Ball, Maggie Trimble, Pauline O'Toole, Roberta Whiteside, Alan White, Lynne Griffiths, John McKenzie, Margaret McMullen, Bryan Ingleby, Jenny Fisher and Robert Otway

For those whose have died recently

Keith Bennison [Funeral Liturgy on 24th March] and Philomena Dickinson [Requiem Mass Monday 29th March, Kirkby Lonsdale]. May they rest in peace.

For those whose anniversaries occur during and around this time

Dorothy Whiteside, Robert Catterall, Bishop L Hardman, Margaret Kilkenny Dave Ridgeway, John Edwards



Reflecting on the Word of God

Glory, Glory, Hallelujah

In the Gospel, some Greeks ask to see Jesus. Jesus responds by saying that anyone who loves his life will lose it. To gain your life, you have to be like a grain of wheat: it brings forth much fruit only by falling into the earth and dying.

The Greeks must have been baffled. What has this speech of Jesus' got to do with their request to see him?

But consider those Greeks. They accord Jesus rock star status. They don't even ask to talk to the great man. They want only to see him. And they don't dare come to Jesus directly. They just approach one of his friends, Philip, and they call Philip "Kyrie," that is to say, "Lord." Even Lady Gaga's groupies wouldn't call one of her friends, "Lord," would they?

Jesus' response helps those Greeks to see him —the true Lord, not the rock star the Greeks were looking for. The true Lord did not come to get status and power. He came to lose his life, to fall and die, like a grain of wheat.

The point is made emphatically at the end of Jesus' response to the Greeks. He ends with a prayer: "Father," he prays, "glorify your name." Jesus, the true Lord and not the rock star, came to seek God's glory. He did not come to seek not his own.

The final part of the lesson for the Greeks, and for us, comes in God's response to Jesus' prayer. God honours Jesus by answering his prayer out loud: "I have glorified My name, and I will glorify it again!"

"This voice didn't come for my sake, but for yours," Jesus tells the awed bystanders. God's voice came to finish the lesson: God honours those who seek to honour him.

True glory lies not in rock star status, then, but, on the contrary, in being willing to fall and die like a grain of wheat. It lies in being willing to let go, to lose one's life in this world in love for the glory of God's name.

And so the Greeks do get what they asked for. In the response of Jesus to them, they, and we, see the true Lord, and with the true Lord the pattern for racing for glory in our lives, too. Glory, glory, hallelujah!

Eleanor Stump
The Sunday Website
at Saint Louis University

Lord, inspire me to read your Scriptures and to meditate upon them day and night. I beg you to give me real understanding of what I need, that I in turn may put its precepts into practice. Yet, I know that understanding and good intentions are worthless, unless rooted in your graceful love. So I ask that the words of Scripture may also be not just signs on a page, but channels of grace into my heart. Amen.



Parish Notices

Thank you

Fr Michael would like to thank parishioners for their kindness and generosity last weekend - for the cards and gifts. They and the sentiments were very much appreciated

Attendance Figures Last Weekend

Saturday 18.00	12
Sunday 09.00	27
Sunday 11.00	18

OLCC Sixth Form Uganda Project

We are making and selling the following items: knitted Easter chicks with a Creme Egg inside (£3 each or 2 for £5), knitted baby bunnies (£4) Easter baskets for Children (£10) and for Adults (£12) - these contain a mixture of Easter treats as well as a puzzles and Easter Prayer cards - please see the church web-site for a leaflet with pictures of these items and more details. We also continue to sell hand-made greeting cards at £1 each - including Easter Cards. Call Ruth Lowe on 01524 770706 or email ruthclowe@gmail.com to order - we can deliver to your home. Thank you.

Covid - changes over coming months

12th April: Weddings 15. Funerals 30. Sacramental preparation can take place.

17th May: Weddings 30. Baptisms permitted.

From the 21st June 'it is hoped all legal limits on social contact can be removed'.

First Holy Communion this year is likely to take place over the weekend of Sunday 27th June 2021. Application forms for both sacraments will be available shortly on the parish website with classes for First Holy Communion taking place after the 12th April.

Holy Week and Easter

The guidelines from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales are available on the parish website.

Maundy Thursday [1st April]

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00 pm. [Hornby and Zoom].

Good Friday [2nd April]

The Office of Readings and Morning Prayer at 9.00 am at Hornby

Stations of the Cross at 11.00 am at Kirkby Lonsdale.

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3.00 pm [Hornby and Zoom].

Stations of the Cross at 6.00 pm in the garden at Hornby [with singing].

Holy Saturday [3rd April]

The Office of Readings and Morning Prayer at 9.00 am at Hornby

The Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter at 8.00 pm [sunset being 7.51] at Hornby.

On Easter Sunday morning please note that Masses will be celebrated at 9.00 am in Kirkby Lonsdale, 10.00 am at Hornby and 11.00 am at Caton.

The renewal of baptismal promises will be observed at each of these celebrations of Holy Mass.

Places at the Triduum [Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday] and on Easter Sunday morning will need to be pre-booked in advance: to do so please telephone Marie Boardman on 01524 770825

For Stations of the Cross at Kirkby Lonsdale please sign up using the form at St. Joseph's. A cantor will be present on Holy Thursday and the Easter Vigil.

Red Boxes

Many thanks for your continued support as through the Red Box you play a vital part in creating a vibrant Catholic Church for the future. Whilst at present I am unable to collect the red boxes the Spring magazines and a prayer card for the year of St Joseph are available at the back of all three churches. Any queries please contact Christine Griffiths.

Ask your MP to attend a parliamentary event on the dangers of DIY abortion

Governments are currently deciding on whether to make permanent the temporary measure allowing 'DIY' home abortions in England, Wales and Scotland. To ensure that politicians are aware of the negative impact of 'DIY' home abortions, the All-Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Group will be hosting a parliamentary event on Tuesday 23 March where experts will cover the latest evidence on how 'DIY' home abortions are placing women at risk. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool that will enable members of the public to easily contact their MPs asking them to attend this event. You can do so by following the link below. It only takes 30 seconds! www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionMeeting

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

A superb course is available online beginning Wednesday 7th April which will help anyone participating to understand Sacred Scripture with greater depth and insight.

I recommend especially that readers in the parish seriously consider joining this course: 50 parishioners completed the course when I was in Carlisle [in person not online].

For more information and to register visit <https://comeandsee.org>. The course is FREE.

National Day of Reflection for Covid-19

This Tuesday, 23rd March, has been designated as a 'National Day of Reflection'. The Bishops of England and Wales write:

"We welcome the designation of Tuesday 23rd March as a National Day of Reflection to mark the anniversary of the first national lockdown with a minute's silence at midday and doorstep vigils of light at 8pm.

We ask you all to make this not only a Day of Reflection but also a Day of Prayer. In reflection we ponder on all that has taken place; in prayer we bring this to our Heavenly Father. For all who live by faith in God, reflection and prayer always go hand in hand. Prayer completes reflection. Reflection informs prayer. Prayer opens our life to its true horizon. Without prayer we live in a foreshortened world and are more easily swamped by its clamour and tragedy. Throughout this difficult year, so many have been inspired by prayer, so much effort sustained in prayer, in every place. So let us make the 23rd March truly a day of prayer.

Candles will be lit at the Grotto at St. Mary's at 8.00 pm in solidarity with the nation-wide vigil. Parishioners are welcome to attend in a socially distanced way.