



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

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Lancaster Registered Charity Number 234331

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 11th April 2021
2nd Sunday of Easter - of the Divine
Mercy

Divine Office Psalter - Week 2

Sunday Readings - Year B

Weekday Readings - Easter Week 2

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Parish Diary

*Weekend 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 11th April 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <i>White</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass Joan Elliot 09.00 St. Joseph Mass People of the Parish 11.00 St. Mary Mass William and Mary Rogerson
Monday 12th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	08.15 St. Mary Mass Holy Souls* <i>Mass is later to allow for the Public Holiday</i>
Tuesday 13th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass Private Intention
Wednesday 14th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	08.15 St. Mary Mass Susie & Harry Hardman*
Thursday 15th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	18.30 St. Joseph Mass Joseph Moxham 19.00 St. Joseph's Room - meeting to discuss a 'tidy-up' / maintenance/church at St. Joseph's
Friday 16th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i> <i>Abstinence from meat</i>	08.15 St. Mary Mass Fr Paul Dillon*
Saturday 17th April <i>of Second Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	<i>Today is the 17th Anniversary of Fr. Michael's ordination to the priesthood</i> 18.00 Our Lady Mass Mike & Margaret Docherty
Sunday 18th April 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>White</i>	09.00 St. Joseph Mass Martin Lamb 11.00 St. Mary Mass People of the Parish



H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh 1921-2021

The Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, has offered prayers on the passing of the Duke of Edinburgh, and said on Friday that the Duke leaves behind a legacy of lifelong duty and steadfast loyalty.

A Requiem Mass will be offered in the parish for the repose of the soul of Prince Philip, most likely on the day of the celebration of his funeral. Details to follow.

An image of Prince Philip has been placed in St. Mary's Hornby to enable parishioners to pray for him, and her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Lancaster, at this time.

May he rest in peace. Amen



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

David Smail. May he rest in peace.

For those whose anniversaries occur during and around this time

David Austin, Grace Costello, Hubert Barry, Elizabeth Newns, Joe Tomlinson
Marie Arnold, George Reynolds



Reflecting on the Word of God

Victory is ours!

Here is what the Readings for this week claim. By his cross, Christ conquered sin; by his resurrection, he destroyed death. At Easter, we celebrate his victory with joy.

The Second Reading affirms that Christ's victory is ours. If we have faith that Jesus is the Christ, then we are begotten by God. If we are, then we conquer the world. And if we do, then we love God, we love the children of God, and we keep God's commandments obediently. In that condition, we are victorious with Christ.

But these lines in the Second Reading look like joy-destroyers, don't they? If we don't keep God's commandments, if we don't love God's children, we don't conquer the world. And if we don't conquer the world, then we aren't begotten of God. And in that case we don't really have faith. How do we have victory then?

And it gets worse.

In another place, the same Epistle says that anyone who says he doesn't have sin is a liar (1 John 1:8). So it seems that there is a Catch-22 here. If you sin, you aren't victorious. You are a loser. But if you try claiming that you don't sin, you are guilty of lying, which is a sin; and so you aren't victorious in that case either.

It seems that whether you think you sin or think you don't sin, you lose. So what happened to our victory? Where is joy?

The solution is to notice what faith is. Faith is the belief that Jesus is the Christ, the one who—the one who what? Well, the one who conquers sin and death.

So here is the message from the Readings. For our part, we are saved from sin and death by believing that we are saved from sin and death—by Christ. There is no Catch-22. Even in our sinful state, where truth forces us to confess our disobedience and our failures in love, we are victorious—over the sin and death in ourselves—as long as we believe that Christ won the victory for us.

This faith is what God requires of us, and the Second Reading is right: this requirement isn't burdensome.

So here is our joy: As long as we believe that Christ won the victory for us, the victory of Christ is ours.

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

OLCC Sixth Form Uganda Project

Thank you for supporting the OLCC Lenten Fund Raising for the Vocational School in Uganda.

We have now raised just over £680. This includes sale of Elda's Chicks, Easter baskets, Easter cards and some very generous donations. This also includes the sale of some earrings which one of the students has been making. With the Christmas Fund Raising Project, we have now raised enough to buy a bed, mattress, sheets, pillow and a thick blanket for the 20 girls who board at the school.

The beds are currently being made and I have put some pictures on a little newsletter you can take a look at on the Parish Web-site. There is also a Thank You note there from the girls.

With the students back in school we have replenished our stock of Birthday, Thank You, Sympathy, Thinking of You etc cards – so please keep on ordering these. They have been well-received by everyone and are excellent value at £1 each.

Call Ruth on 01524 770706 to order or email ruthclowe@gmail.com.

St. Mary's Garden

With the lifting of certain Covid restrictions [especially concerning groups of 6 or 2 households meeting in gardens], from the 12th April the garden will be able to welcome visitors. Initially this will be limited to Sundays between 12.00 noon and 5.00 p.m [18th April being the first Sunday for this]. Persons entering do so at their own risk. A risk assessment covering access to this garden is available on the parish website.

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 available in each church, please see Fr Michael to get one. Please return by the end of April.

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.

Climate Change Conference

The British Government is hosting the United Nations Climate Change Conference in November this year in Glasgow. The hope is that when the governments of the world come together they will be able to build on the agreement reached in Paris in 2015. Although we are still living through the current pandemic, the Pope has pointed out that this is actually just one of the 'pandemics' that affect our world at the moment; human

trafficking, corruption, hunger, but also climate change which affects all of these.

The experience of Paris showed that governments are encouraged to take this matter seriously when they hear expressions of concern from the public.

I am conscious that personal opinions regarding global climate change differ. Our parishes should not be operating as political pressure groups, however, the care of and concern for the environment is something we should all take more seriously. The Glasgow conference COP26 is an event of world significance challenging the way the world does business. It opens the door for all of us to live in a way that is less demanding on Creation and more sympathetic to becoming a global citizen. There is much to reflect on. Fr. Hugh Pollock, Chair of the Faith and Justice Commission, Lancaster invites you to contact him should you wish to know more details of matters related to care of the gift of God's creation please contact Father Hugh Pollock at lfjcm@gmail.com.

Chaplaincy at HMP Kirkham

A vacancy has arisen for a Catholic chaplain at HMP Kirkham, details of which can be found here: [42453 - Chaplain - Catholic Ordained Deacon, Religious Brother/Sister/Lay Person - MoJ \(tal.net\)](#)

Spectacular Spectacles!

Do you have glasses lying around the house? Hidden away in drawers? No longer any use to you?

Hynry Hall is able to send spectacles that are no longer required to developing countries where they are given a new life and will transform the daily life of those who need a pair of specs.

If you have any lying around at home bring them to Mass with you and deposit in the box set up for this purpose.

A little gesture that could make a real difference in the lives of those who need them.

Time to start coming back...

Pubs, gyms, shops and even hair dressers reopen this week. Good news! An end appears to be in sight...we hope.

While we still have to be careful, observing social distancing etc, there is a sense that some things are returning back to 'normal'.

With this in mind, especially for those who have received both vaccines, it is good to be thinking seriously about returning to Mass in person, even if only for a weekday Mass at present. Our faith is an 'incarnational', bodily one and as the recent court case in Scotland demonstrated - 'in person' worship is fundamental to the Catholic faith.

Thanks to the stewards and others, our churches meet the guidelines from the Bishops' Conference which have been agreed with the government and offer a Covid-secure way of celebrating our faith.

From Monday, the weekday Masses will no longer be 'broadcast' via Zoom. I'm grateful to Barbara and Allison who have facilitated this for so long.

The weekend Masses at Caton and Hornby will continue to be broadcast for the time being.