



## 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 2nd May 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

Divine Office Psalter - Week 1

Sunday Readings - Year B

Weekday Readings - Easter Week 5

### Parish Website

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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.*

<b>Sunday 2nd May</b> 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER White	18.00 Our Lady   Mass Arnold & Elvira Thompson 09.00 St. Joseph   Mass In thanksgiving 11.00 St. Mary   Mass People of the Parish [Living and Dead]
<b>Monday 3rd May</b> Sts Philip & James, Apostles Red Public Holiday	10.00 St. Mary   Mass Michael Johnson*
<b>Tuesday 4th May</b> The English Martyrs Red	18.00 Our Lady   Mass Victims of abuse*
<b>Wednesday 5th May</b> of the Fifth Week of Easter White	No public Mass
<b>Thursday 6th May</b> of the Fifth Week of Easter White	18.30 St. Joseph   Mass Edith Parr
<b>Friday 7th May</b> of the Fifth Week of Easter White Abstinence from meat First Friday	08.15 St. Mary   Mass Fr Paul Dillon*
<b>Saturday 8th May</b> of the Fifth Week of Easter White	18.00 Our Lady   Mass William & Margeret Tresize
<b>Sunday 2nd May</b> 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER White	09.00 St. Joseph   Mass People of the Parish 11.00 St. Mary   Mass Patrick Anderson  <i>Please note that showers have been forecast for today. With Holy Mass being celebrated outside please be prepared.</i>



### May: The Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope Francis invites us, this May, to participate in a global Rosary Marathon dedicated to praying for an end to the global pandemic. "The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic". The Holy Father will launch the initiative on Saturday - please look out on Vatican Media to participate in this event.

Please consider praying the Holy Rosary each day for this intention during May, even if just a decade of the rosary. If you are uncertain about how to pray the rosary a useful 2 minute video is available here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GuT7HIZvfa>

Fr Michael will lead the recitation of the Rosary in the garden at Hornby on Sunday 30th May at 5.00 pm.



## 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, 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, Margaret McMullen, Bryan Ingleby, Jenny Fisher, John McInerney and Robert Otway

### For those whose anniversaries occur during and around this time

Elizabeth O'Keefe, Peter Towler, John Burgess, Fr. John Dugdale, Stephen Shepherd, Alex Sumner, Brother Tom Caulfield



## Reflecting on the Word of God

### Be fruitful and multiply

The first command God gave to human beings was “be fruitful and multiply” (Gen.1:28). In the Gospel Reading, there is a kind of reiteration of this command. At any rate, the text describes the bad things that happen to people who are not fruitful.

In Genesis, the fruitfulness has to do with reproduction. It comes from union between a man and a woman, and it multiplies God's image in the production of children.

The fruitfulness at issue in the Gospel comes from connection too, but connection with Christ. It comes when Christ is in you, and you are in him.

This reciprocal being-in is a funny state of affairs, isn't it? You can put a bowl in a box, or you can put a box in a bowl. But the box can't be in the bowl when the bowl is in the box!

Boxes and bowls can't manage reciprocal being-in. But persons can, because of love. Love unites you and your beloved without either one of you losing your identity. The union of love is not a fusing; it is a mutual indwelling.

In the Gospel Reading, Christ says that he always remains in his own. So if you yield to Christ in love, you have what is needed for the mutual indwelling of love. You are your beloved's, and he is yours. (Song of Songs 6:3) There is joy in this love, because Christ is so much with you that he is in you. There is peace, too, because there is rest for the heart in having your beloved with you.

Your sins and the storms of life retain their power to afflict you. But you can more easily put up with things, even your own troublesome self, if your beloved is yours and you are his.

In that mutual indwelling, then, there is love, joy, peace, patience and long-suffering. But these very things are fruits of the Holy Spirit. When they grow in you, you are bearing fruit.

Finally, consider: is there a more powerful witness than a life lived in love, joy, peace, patience and long-suffering? If you have the fruits of the Holy Spirit in you, you will multiply God's image in others too.

And so, by remaining in Christ, you are doing what will make you be fruitful and multiply.

*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

### Supporting Castlerigg Manor

As you can imagine, Castlerigg Manor [the Diocesan Youth Centre in Castlerigg] has been experiencing financial pressure like many residential youth centres across the country. To help support Castlerigg financially, the Diocesan Youth Service has launched a monthly 'lottery'. Tickets cost £3. The winner each month takes half the pot with the other half going towards the running of Castlerigg and other youth activities. Subscriptions to this lottery can be made online at [castleriggmanor.co.uk/lottery](http://castleriggmanor.co.uk/lottery). Flyers are available.

### Spectacular Spectacles!

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

Hynning 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.

### St. Mary's Garden

The garden is open for visitors on Sunday afternoon from 12.00 noon until 5.00 pm. We will look at further opening as the Covid restrictions continue to be lifted.

### Ordination to the Priesthood

Deacon Stuart Chapple will be ordained Priest for the Diocese of Lancaster at St Peter's Cathedral on Saturday 26th June 2021. Do keep Stuart in your prayers.

### Ordination to the Diaconate

Philip Wrigley is to be ordained Deacon by Archbishop Bernard Longley, at Oscott College on 6th June 2021. Please keep him in your prayers.

### Survivors of Abuse

Tuesday 4th May is designated as a day of prayer for victims and survivors of abuse. Holy Mass will be celebrated that day for their intention.

### Covid - changes over coming months

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: they can be posted through the Presbytery door.

### 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.

### St. Mary's Garden Spring Clean

Many thanks to parishioners who came along on Saturday morning to give the garden a bit

of a 'Spring Clean'. Your generosity of time and work is very much appreciated.

### May Rosary Mission

The Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation that the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham has chosen as one of the shrines worldwide to lead daily prayers for the end of the pandemic. More information on this is available from <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/>

In addition to this Our Lady's Shrine in Walsingham is holding a Rosary Mission in the light of the Rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary and extends the call for Our Lady's Protection and Queenship over the entire world. Each night at 8pm there will be a foundational Rosary – to Jesus through Mary led from a different Parish/Shrine...this should be available online. Sunday May 30th between 5-6pm is the Rosary Hour for the Diocese of Lancaster.

### The Christian Heritage Centre, Stonyhurst

The Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst has asked if I could share news of their website and events. More information can be found at [www.christianheritagecentre.com/](http://www.christianheritagecentre.com/) events. There is a very good virtual exhibition on the English Martyrs at the moment...worth a look on Tuesday.

### 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.

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.

### Swollen neck...

Fr Michael is making a good recovery from his recent surgery. Thanks for your prayers and those who have brought food along this past week. Again, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

### Welcome

Welcome to any visitors to the parish this weekend. Your presence among us is a great blessing.

### Architect's Visit.

The final part of the Quinquennial Survey will be undertaken on Wednesday. A specialist survey this past week confirmed a significant presence of woodworm in the presbytery.