



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

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Lancaster Registered Charity Number 234331

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 9th May 2021

6th Sunday of Easter

Divine Office Psalter - Week 1

Sunday Readings - Year B

Weekday Readings - Easter Week 6

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Parish Diary

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

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

Sunday 9th May 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>White</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass William & Margaret Tresize 09.00 St. Joseph Mass People of the Parish 11.00 St. Mary Mass Patrick Anderson <i>When wet and windy Mass will be celebrated inside.</i>
Monday 10th May <i>of the Sixth Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	08.15 St. Mary Mass Holy Souls*
Tuesday 11th May <i>of the Sixth Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass Harold Foster
Wednesday 12th May <i>of the Sixth Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	No public Mass
Thursday 13th May THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD <i>Solemnity, White</i>	18.30 St. Joseph Mass Sr Imelda James
Friday 14th May <i>St. Matthias, Apostle, Feast</i> <i>White</i> <i>Abstinence from meat</i>	08.15 St. Mary Mass Sick priests*
Saturday 15th May <i>of the Sixth Week of Easter</i> <i>White</i>	18.00 Our Lady Mass Peter Johnson [h&i]
Sunday 16th May 7th SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>White</i> <i>Second Collection - Catholic</i> <i>Communications</i>	09.00 St. Joseph Mass Kay Brown [h&i] 11.00 St. Mary Mass People of the Parish <i>When wet and windy Mass will be celebrated inside.</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=GuT7HIZv6A>

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

Margaret Mason, Michael Birtwistle, K M Turner, Luis Santos



Reflecting on the Word of God

Ask in my name

In the Gospel Reading, Christ suggests a remedy for any problem we have. The Father will give you anything you ask for, he says, if you will just ask for it in Christ's name.

But what is it to ask for something in Christ's name? It can't be a matter of simply tacking the name of Christ on to any prayer. "I would like a Porsche, please, in the name of Christ." Prayer isn't magic. It isn't a matter of using the right magical formulas in order to make God do what you want him to do.

It helps here to consider the homely cases in which one person asks something in the name of another. A secretary can ask for the mail in her boss's name: "I'm just here to pick up the mail for my boss!" A child can ask a neighbour for a cup of sugar in his mother's name: "Mrs. Murphy, my mother wants to know if you could lend her a cup of sugar."

In these cases, the person asking can ask in the name of another because he somehow identifies himself as in relationship with that other: my boss, my mother. Something—a connection of shared work, a family relation—binds the two of them together.

To ask in Christ's name is like this, too. You ask in the name of Christ when you are in the kind of relation to him that lets you say "my" with respect to him. And what would bind the two of you together in this way? What should follow that "my"? It shouldn't be "my servant," as the magician in effect says in his heart of hearts. No, not "my servant," but "my Lord."

Take him as Lord, and you have to recognise that, as Lord, he loves and cares for his own. He knows what to give to those who are his in answer to their prayers. So if you ask the Father for something in the name of Christ, then you are doing the opposite of what the magician does: you ask being prepared to accept what your Lord wants to give you. What you are given will be a good gift if it is in accord with his will, even if it isn't in accord with yours.

To ask the Father in Christ's name, then, is to trust Christ with your life as you ask.

*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

Poor weather

If the weather is particularly foul then Mass at Hornby will take place indoors. This may mean that spaces will not be available. As a general rule - wet and windy, back insidey...

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.

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.

Covid - changes over coming months

As announced this week, limits on the number permitted at a funeral have now been lifted. However, numbers are still limited to the socially-distanced capacity of the venue. We are working to increase the capacity at Caton to 42 through a re-working of the seating arrangement.

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 after the weekend of Sunday 27th June 2021. Families will be asked to select a date [not necessarily the Sunday Mass] when they would like their children to receive Holy Communion for the first time. This is to allow flexibility given any restrictions on the numbers permitted in our churches.

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.

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.

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 Mass at Caton will continue to be broadcast for the time being.

Welcome

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

The Post Pandemic Church

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued a reflection on post-pandemic recovery and the challenges faced by the Church in encouraging people back to the Church and her Sacraments.

In a reflection titled The Day of the Lord, the Bishops also praise families, parish communities and those who have worked tirelessly in hospitals, care homes, schools and prisons during these challenging times of ill-health, grief and isolation.

The Bishops salute the leadership of our priests and also express gratitude for the 'immense efforts' of those who have provided food for those most in need:

"The generosity shown in the distribution of so very many meals has given eloquent expression to the mercy, love and compassion which are at the very heart of God. Many have been touched by the joy of meeting Christ in the poor; and many of the poor by the joy of meeting Christ in selfless parishioners."

The reflection can be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/04/Day-of-the-Lord-220421.pdf>