



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 1st November 2020

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Divine Office Psalter - Week 3

Sunday Readings - Year A

Weekday Readings - Year 2 Week 31

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Parish Diary

Sunday 1st November Solemnity of All Saints White Ecclesiastical Education Fund	18.00 Our Lady Immaculate Mass Private Intention 9.00 St. Joseph Mass The Murray Family 11.00 Our Lady Immaculate Mass Pro Populo Please note the venue for the 11.00 am Mass
Monday 2nd November All Souls Black	08.00 St. Mary Mass Holy Souls Novena [1]
Tuesday 3rd November Votive Mass of the Dead Black	18.00 Our Lady Immaculate Mass Karin Toschek
Wednesday 4th November St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop Memorial, White	08.00 St. Mary Mass Isobel Barton 18.00 Zoom Holy Rosary [see reverse for details]
Thursday 5th November Votive Mass of the Dead Black	18.00 Zoom Mass Holy Souls Novena [2]
Friday 6th November Votive Mass of the Dead First Friday Black	St. Mary Mass [Private] John Kelly [LD]
Saturday 7th November Votive of the Blessed Virgin Mary White	St. Mary Mass [Private] Holy Souls Novena [3]
Sunday 8th November Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Remembrance Sunday Green [Requiem Black]	10.00 Zoom Requiem Mass Holy Souls [4] 11.00 Act of Remembrance at Hornby War Memorial

* Mass cards are available by contacting Marie Boardman

Covid-19 Guidance

- Whilst we are taking our utmost care to ensure that our buildings are Covid-safe, 'vulnerable' parishioners are asked to *think carefully*, particularly with Lancashire on Tier 3 alert, before attending Holy Mass.
- We are severely restricting numbers in the church buildings, to ensure social distancing, and everyone is required to sanitise their hands on entry and to keep the nose and mouth covered whilst in the building [unless medical conditions prevent you from doing so].
- We will also take a contact number for all attendees. 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.
- Public worship will cease in the parishes on Thursday 5th November and hopefully resume on Wednesday 2nd December. Mass on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday will be available via zoom using the link on the parish website.



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, Veronica Law, 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 and Bryan Ingleby.

For those whose anniversaries occur during and around this time

Charlie Horton, Marjorie Hurst, Margaret Garnett, Winifred Barry, Terry Brodrick, Margaret Strain, Patrick Doogan, Jerome Darcy, Frank Roscoe, Victor Lee, Jim Dugdale, John McNicholas, Tekla Niedopytalski, Sr. Mary of St John

Thanks to Betty and Sue for keeping the anniversary books and letting us know each week.



Reflecting on the Word of God

The Blood of the Lamb



Parish Notices

In the First Reading, the writer says that in heaven he saw a great multitude of people, all wearing white robes. The text explains that these are the people who have washed their clothes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

This is an odd idea, isn't it? Anybody who does laundry can tell you that one of the hardest stains to get out is blood. Why would anybody think you could clean things with blood?

The answer is that it depends on what you are trying to clean. The Epistle to the Hebrews (Heb. 9:14) says that the blood of Christ can cleanse a conscience from dead works.

Now, a thing that is dead just lies there without moving. Dead works are works that don't go anywhere. But where would works be going except where the person who does the works wants them to go?

So a dead work is a work that doesn't do what the person who does the work wanted to do. In Romans (Rom 7:15), Paul says, "I do not do what I want, but I do what I hate." Is there anyone who doesn't understand this problem? Examples of it are easy to come by. Here's one: You set out bravely to give up smoking, and day after day you smoke.

It's not hard to see why dead works stain a conscience. Whose conscience would not feel stained by endless daily failure to do what he himself wants to do?

This is what the blood of Christ cleanses us from. Scripture says that blood is the life of a thing (Deuteronomy 12:23). When we participate in the Eucharist, the blood of Christ comes into us; and so Christ's life comes into us too. What we could not do on our own—because our works are dead and our consciences are stained—the blood, the life, the Spirit of Christ can do in us.

When we are united with Christ through his body and blood in the Eucharist, our works live too through him. And if our works live, then our consciences are cleansed. And that is how the saints in heaven have made the dirty laundry of their lives white.

There is power in the precious blood of the Lamb! 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.

Online resources to help during the pandemic

Daily Mass from Walsingham
<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/>

Lectio Divina for the Sunday Scriptures
<https://catholic.bible/lectio-divina-in-english/>

Practical ways of living the faith in the family
<https://www.catholicmom.com>

To help men in their journey of faith
<https://catholicgentleman.net>

To help women in their journey in faith
<https://thecatholicwoman.com>

A new lockdown

It was announced on Saturday evening that England is entering another period of lockdown from Thursday 5th November until Wednesday 2nd December 2020. Public worship will be suspended during this period with the exception of funerals. Churches can remain open for individual prayer.

During this time, Mass will be broadcast via Zoom on Tuesday and Thursday evening at 6.00 pm and on Sunday morning at 10.00 am. St. Mary, Hornby and St. Joseph, Kirkby Lonsdale will remain open for individual prayer. You must sign in when visiting, either by the NHS App or on the sheet of paper for this purpose [you will need to bring your own pen]. Please observe hygiene regulations 'religiously' - sanitise hands, wear a mask and sanitise the space you have vacated.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop Malcolm McMahon have issued a statement which can be seen at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/statement-from-the-president-and-the-vice-president-of-the-conference-on-the-prime-ministers-statement/>

Remembrance Sunday

Due to Covid restrictions the usual acts of Remembrance are severely curtailed this year. There will be a limited presence at Hornby around 11.00 am. Fr Michael will attend to represent the Catholic community. The Royal British Legion are encouraging people to gather for the minutes silence on their own doorsteps. A Requiem Mass will be offered for the fallen via zoom at 10.00 am

Thank you

John and Kath Kelly would like to say thank you to everyone for the Mass offerings, cards, flowers, prayers and kindness following the tragic loss of their lovely grandson John. Holy Mass will be offered for parishioners in thanksgiving.

OLCC Uganda Fund Raising

Despite being unable to visit this year, the students are continuing to raise funds, primarily for a Vocational School for vulnerable girls called the Home of Divine Mercy.

We are selling a few things we have made and hope you might consider purchasing something. All items are made or donated and so every penny you give will get to the Home. Pack of 10 'high quality' hand-made greeting cards £10 – for all 'occasions' – please specify.

Mini knitted Christmas Stockings – ideal for gift cards or for the Christmas table - £2 each or £1.50 if you buy more than 4.

A decorated mini basket containing Christmas Blessing card, a Christmas Quiz sheet, a mini knitted stocking with chocolates, a Christmas Mask, a bar of soap, and either a packet of luxury biscuits or a mini bottle of Prosecco - £12 each.

To place your order, please contact Ruth Lowe by Email: r.lowe@olcc.lancs.sch.uk or Tel: 01524 770706. Thank you.

Retiring Collections

There is a retiring collection this weekend for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund [which pays

for the training of priests] and next weekend for 'Peter's Pence'

Olive Branch

Please support Olive Branch: containers to receive donations are present in our churches.

Holy Rosary

A group of parishioners is getting together on a Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm to pray the Rosary. Please join us on Zoom – press the blue button on the front page of the website and follow instructions - join by 5.50 please.

Christmas

It does seem early for our minds to turn to Christmas but current restrictions are likely to remain in place for some time and will impact on our liturgical celebrations...best to be prepared.

We do not want to turn families away from Masses over the Christmas period due to our limited capacity. We therefore intend to create a 'pop up' church for Christmas - a large marquee with flooring, heating and lighting in the garden of St. Mary to enable a worthy celebration of the Solemnity of the Incarnation and help bring a bit of light in this difficult situation. This will have the capacity to accommodate the numbers usually present at Christmas Masses.

What's the catch? There will be a cost for this - around £1600. If you would like to help cover the costs you are welcome to contribute. Place any donations in an envelope marked 'Christmas Church'. Any donations above the cost will go to 'Mary's Meals'.

Communication

The best way to contact Fr Michael is on his mobile [number is on the front of the newsletter] rather than on the presbytery number. You can also text or email him.

Month of the Holy Souls - November

Envelopes are available for the 'November List'. A Novena of Masses will be offered for those included on the 'November List'. Include members of your family, friends etc who have died in the envelope. It is customary to make an offering which should be included in the envelope. It is not too late to submit your list and offering - post through the door at the Presbytery. The Novena will begin on Monday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr Michael is available for 'socially distanced' confession on request.

Items for the newsletter

Please email items to newsletter@lunevalleycatholics.org.uk before Thursday evening for inclusion

The Holy Souls Indulgence

The Holy Souls Indulgence, an indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. The indulgence can be applied each day during the month of November - usually it is confined to the 1st - 8th November but due to the pandemic the Holy See has extended the indulgence for the entire month of November.