



## 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 22nd November 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ Universal King

Divine Office Psalter - Week 2

Sunday Readings - Year A

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### Parish Website

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## Parish Diary

<b>Sunday 22nd November</b> Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe <i>White</i> Collection - Youth Services	10.00 Zoom   <i>Requiem Mass Pro Populo</i> 11.00 - 12.00 <i>St Mary's Hornby Open for Individual Prayer</i>
<b>Monday 23rd November</b> <i>St Clement I, Pope &amp; Martyr</i> <i>Op. Memorial, Red</i>	<i>St. Mary</i>   <i>Mass [Private] Private Intention [JBT]</i>
<b>Tuesday 24th November</b> <i>Sts Andrew Dung Lac &amp; Comp's</i> <i>Memorial, Red</i>	17.00 <i>St Mary's Hornby Open for Individual Prayer</i> 18.00 Zoom   <i>Mass Holy Souls Novena [7]</i>
<b>Wednesday 25th November</b> <i>St. Catherine of Alexandria</i> <i>Op. Memorial, Red</i>	<i>St. Mary</i>   <i>Mass [Private] Holy Souls Novena [8]</i> 18.00 Zoom   <i>Holy Rosary [see reverse for details]</i>
<b>Thursday 26th November</b> <i>Votive Mass of the Dead</i> <i>Purple</i>	17.00 <i>St Mary's Hornby Open for Individual Prayer</i> 18.00 Zoom   <i>Mass "For his parents"</i>
<b>Friday 27th November</b> <i>Feria</i> <i>Green</i>	<i>St. Mary</i>   <i>Mass [Private] Freda Roscoe</i> 17.00 <i>St Mary's Hornby Open for Individual Prayer</i>
<b>Saturday 28th November</b> <i>Votive of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>White</i>	<i>St. Mary</i>   <i>Mass [Private] Holy Souls Novena [9]</i>
<b>Sunday 29th November</b> First Sunday of Advent <i>Violet</i> Collection - Diocesan Poor Missions	10.00 Zoom   <i>Requiem Mass Pro Populo</i> 11.00 - 12.00 <i>St Mary's Hornby Open for Individual Prayer</i>

\* Mass cards are available by contacting Marie Boardman

### Covid-19 Guidance

- Public worship has ceased in the parishes on Thursday 5th November and hopefully resume on Wednesday 2nd December. A streamed *Mass without Congregation* on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday will be available via zoom using the link on the parish website.
- St. Mary's Hornby will be open for individual prayer at times listed above. Due to guidelines issued by the Bishops' Conference unlimited access is not permitted but access is only possible while stewards are present. If parishioners are willing to come forward to steward then the church will be open at additional times - the guidelines of the Catholic Church are stricter than our Anglican neighbours unfortunately. The capacity at Hornby is 16 individuals at any one time. Benches have been arranged to facilitate this.
- Physical copies on the newsletter are available at St. Mary's



### 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**

Mary Mancini, Frederick Cross, Maude Cunningham, Rita Kelly, Diana Lodge, Andrew Booth, Freda Roscoe

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

#### **For those who have died recently**

Angela Quinn [*Funeral Service at Beetham Hall on 30th November*]



## Reflecting on the Word of God

Embodied Love



## Parish Notices

The Gospel reading for this feast is very rich. It invites us to reflect on the difference between true love and its false imitation, between real Christianity and its fake lookalike. It encourages us to exercise ourselves in the care of all God's children. It prompts us to reflect on all the different kinds of hunger there are in the world, and the very different kinds of feeding those various hungers require.

These are all good things to ponder, but there is still more to see. Here is one more thing. Think about what it is for God himself to be incarnate. A human woman took the Lord to her breast and suckled him there. The apostle John reclined by the Lord and laid his head on the bosom of the Lord. A woman washed the Lord's feet with her tears, and a woman rubbed his feet with lotion. How did those people get so lucky? Of all the millions and millions of God's people, how can it be that so few touched God in the flesh, that only one woman anointed his feet? Wouldn't you have liked to be among these very lucky people? In desperately sad and stricken moments, what wouldn't you yourself have given to lay your weary head on the breast of your Lord?

It is good to have a God who enters human history, but anything in history is local, constrained in time and space, cut off from so many things that aren't right here, right now. How can it be that only those few people, who were there with Jesus, in that place and at that time, had contact with the Lord flesh to flesh?

The answer to this question and the consolation the question seeks is in the Gospel reading: whatever you did to one of the least of my own, the Lord says, you did it to me..

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>

Word on Fire

Search 'Word on Fire' on YouTube for topical videos about the Faith and Culture.

### Christ the King and Youth Sunday.

It was Pope Pius XI who instituted the Feast of Christ the King in 1925. He could see the rise of fascist regimes in Europe and the threats emanating from Bolshevik Russia. What these regimes had in common was secularism and extreme nationalism which was atheistic, denied the law of God, and asserted complete dominion over the lives of its citizens. Such regimes are not unknown in today's world. Where objective standards of right or wrong are sidelined, and justice is trampled on, the human race is in trouble. Christ alone can command our complete allegiance, and those who live by His truth and teachings find peace themselves and spread peace in society. Young people have a pivotal role in all of this. Youth is a time of idealism when 'the sky is the limit'. Obviously, as well as vision, practical skills are also needed to make the ideal become reality. Young people have the physical and spiritual energy to do this. We pray for them that they may use the precious gift of freedom, well; to build up rather than destroy; to plant rather than uproot. What can we do in our parishes to help young people realise this vocation and see that Christianity is not an outmoded way of thought, life and values, but rather is the way forward for humanity? You will have noticed that Pope Francis is trying to address some of these world issues and encouraging young people to live and practice their faith to the full. Reaching out to the young is not easy, but we have to find imaginative ways to do this. In the last 100 years there have been more martyrs than in the previous 19 centuries; men and women, many of them young, who would not submit to evil. May they be our inspiration! *Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat!*

### Youth Sunday.

This year the collection for National Youth Sunday is going to be taken online. The proceeds will go to support Casterigg Manor and the Youth Service, which have suffered a great deal this year with Covid-19 and the Lockdown. If you can spare any money for this important cause, please head to [castleriggmanor.co.uk/nys](http://castleriggmanor.co.uk/nys) or alternatively you can send donations to 'Casterigg Manor, Manor Brow, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 4AR'. Casterigg Manor is under serious financial pressure due to residential schools groups being unable to visit.

### 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](mailto:r.lowe@olcc.lancs.sch.uk) or Tel: 01524 770706. Thank you.

### Contributions during lockdown

Donations, Gift Aid envelopes, Mass intentions and November List envelopes can all be dropped through the letterbox of the Presbytery in Hornby...or hang on until we're back.

### 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.

### Month of the Holy Souls - November

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.

### 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](mailto:newsletter@lunevalleycatholics.org.uk) before Thursday evening for inclusion

### The image above the tabernacle...

In case you are wondering...the image above the tabernacle is that of *The Descent from the Cross*, a panel painting by the Flemish artist Rogier van der Weyden created c. 1435, now in the Museo del Prado, Madrid.

May it help us to contemplate the Holy Souls, the grief of loss and the price paid for our sins in this month of the Holy Souls.

More information is available on the image at [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Descent\\_from\\_the\\_Cross\\_\(van\\_der\\_Weyden\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Descent_from_the_Cross_(van_der_Weyden)).

The space will be filled on a *seasonal and occasional* basis to aid contemplation of the great mysteries of our faith.

### Reopening of the Churches

If all goes to plan it is understood that public worship will resume on Wednesday 2nd December. The timetable of public Masses will be limited initially until we can back into the flow of things. In the weeks prior to lockdown the Vigil Mass in Caton was poorly attended for a variety of reasons: we may, for an experimental period bring the Mass forward to an earlier time...views welcome.