

11/ 12 March 2023 3 Sunday of Lent Yr A

OUR LADY OF WINDERMERE & ST HERBERT (W'MERE) AND MATER AMABILIS (AMBLESIDE)

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Masses and Intentions

11 March 2023 – 19 March 2023

MA = Mater Amabilis OLV = Our Lady of Windermere
3rd Sunday of Lent (Yr A)

Sat 11	4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 12	9.30am (MA) 11.15am (OLW)
Mon 13	NO MASS
Tues 14	NO MASS but at MA Stations of the Cross (10.00am)
Wed 15	NO MASS
Thur 16	NO MASS
Fri 17	NO MASS, but at OLV Stations of the Cross (10.00am)

4th Sunday in Lent (Yr A)

Sat 18	4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 19	9.30am (MA) 11.15am (OLW)

For those who are sick: Please pray for Ruth Gajdowska and Rose Crowe who are sick. *We hold in our prayers all parishioners who are sick at this time, and those caring for them.*

Anniversaries. Of your charity, please pray for the souls of: Keith Sowden, Ruth Walker, Sally Coleman, Christine Richardson, Sheila Masterson, John Patrick Byrne, Sister Françoise, Anne Clare Parker, Fr Jack Harrison, Marie Smith, Ann Chisholm and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Lately dead: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **James Ashworth** who died recently, *May all our deceased loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory.*

Hymns at Windermere Vigil Mass: 846, 603, 663, 970
There will be NO ORGANIST at Vigil Mass on 19th March

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Confessions take place at **Mater Amabilis, Ambleside on the First Saturday of the month at 10.30am.** At **Windermere Confession is every Friday after Mass at 10.00am.** Check the newsletter, as there will be no Confession at Windermere if, for some reason, there is no Mass on that Friday.

Thought for the Week

Today's Gospel recounts the meeting of Our Lord and the Samaritan woman at the well.

In the midday heat of the desert, Our Lord offers the Samaritan woman the chance to come to the aid of a stranger. Though taken aback at this request coming from a member of a nation that despises her and her kind, she does not refuse it.

Then, as the conversation continues, she is responsive to His second offer even though she does not entirely understand it. She does not know that the water of life he is offering is nothing less than the Holy Spirit, the very life of God himself.

Neither does she know that this conversation would be recounted two thousand years later by the followers of Jesus as they prepare to celebrate the baptism of new believers, a washing in living water that will truly make them clean and fulfil his promise of a spring of eternal life bubbling up inside every one of his disciples.

But I think she does have some idea that this is not an ordinary conversation. And perhaps she knows that the time for making do is over.

Today, people in our Diocese will begin the scrutinies that lead up to their baptism at Easter. They have made the decision that the stagnant waters of ordinary life will not suffice; instead, they will take the plunge into the living waters of Christ, drink deeply with delight of his abundant life-giving Spirit.

As we offer them our prayers today and recall our own baptismal vocations, let us remind one another that we can *rejoice* and travel on, not as before, but onwards and upwards in the journey to the source of our live-giving river, Jesus Christ, our Messiah and our God.

Taken from: Fr Richard Ounsworth OP, Don't keep calm!, Torch, 9 March 2023

Parish News

LENTEN DEVOTIONS

There will be **Stations of the Cross** at both Ambleside and Windermere during Lent.

At Our Lady of Windermere these will be on **Friday** after 09.30 Mass

At Mater Amabilis in Ambleside, Stations will take place on **Tuesday** after 9.30 Mass

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Thank you for your generosity!

A very big thank you to everyone who donated to CAFOD's Family Fast Day collection last weekend. Our parishes raised a combined total of £694.50.

Donations are still being accepted and you may place your CAFOD envelope in the offertory collection basket this weekend.

We also received a sum of £70.00 for the Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal and this has already been sent to CAFOD for that purpose.

Thank you again!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN AMBLESIDE DISTRICT CINEMA CLUB

A very pleasant evening was spent at the Churches together film + meal at Zeferelli's on Wednesday last. A lovely opportunity to meet with other Christians in a friendly environment. We talked, film, food and generally got to know each other.

If you are interested in future events, contact Anne Corin at: annecorin@btinternet.com or 015394 33944

COME AND SING TAIZE CHANTS!!

Taize chants are always favourites at the Windermere Vigil Mass!

So if you like Taize chants but don't get a chance to sing them, or if you sing them at the Vigil Mass and want to sing some more, come and join an informal **'Come and Sing Taize' at Our Lady's in Windermere.**

Bring yourself and your voice, even if you don't think you have a voice! God loves a cheerful giver!

**Venue: Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's
Saturday 25 March @ 2.00pm-3.00pm
(PLEASE NOTE: There is now NO Taize Come and Sing on Wednesday 15th March).**

READERS NEEDED AT OUR LADY'S, WINDERMERE for SUNDAY MORNING and EASTER SERVICES

Although we have a great core group of readers at Mass at Windermere, we need more!

Readers are needed on a regular basis, for **Sunday Mass (11.15) at Windermere.**

Additionally, readers are being sought for the **Easter Vigil Service at Windermere (6.30pm on 8th April).**

If you would like to read at Mass, Julia, who organises the rota, wants to hear from you. Contact Julia at: Julia.barrett@jgmail.org.uk

HAVE A CUPPA AFTER MASS on SUNDAY!

Parishioners and visitors both! Don't forget refreshments are served after Sunday Mass at both Mater Amabilis and Our Lady of Windermere. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits are yours. No charge, but donations welcome which benefit CAFOD and Aid to the Church in Need.

HOLY WEEK and EASTER Service times

We welcome all parishioners and visitors to our Holy Week and Easter celebrations.

Maundy Thursday 6th April

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Mater Amabilis, Ambleside 6.30pm

Good Friday 7th April

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, Windermere 3.00pm

Easter Vigil 8th April

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's, Windermere 6.30pm

Easter Sunday 9th April

Mater Amabilis

Ambleside 9.30am

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's Windermere 11.15am

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor by Wednesday lunch time at: greetingsolw22@gmail.com