

# 18/ 19 March 2023 4 Sunday of Lent Yr A

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### Masses and Intentions 18 March 2023 – 26 March 2023

#### 3rd Sunday of Lent (Yr A)

Sat 18	4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 19	9.30am (MA) 11.15am (OLW)
Mon 20	NO MASS
Tues 21	9.30am (MA) followed by Stations of the Cross
Wed 22	9.30am (OLW)
Thur 23	NO MASS
Fri 24	9.30am (OLW) <b>10.00am Confessions at Windermere</b> followed by Stations of the Cross

#### 4th Sunday in Lent (Yr A)

Sat 25	4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 26	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: Maureen Hodgson, Fr E McCarten, Neil Colin MacBean, Maureen Matthews, Dorothy Roberts, Sandra White, Philip Lowe 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.*

**There is no organist at Vigil Mass at Windermere this weekend.**  
**Next Weekend, there will be an organist at both Vigil and Sunday Mass at Windermere.**

## 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

### Happy Mother's Day!

*An extract from "Reflections on Mothers" by Pope Francis 2019.*

God himself needed a mother: how much more so do we! Jesus himself gave her to us, from the cross: "Behold your mother!" (*Jn 19:27*). He said this to the beloved disciple and to every disciple. Our Lady is not an optional accessory: she has, to be welcomed into our life. She is the Queen of peace, who triumphs over evil and leads us along paths of goodness, who restores unity to her children, who teaches us compassion.

Mary, take us by the hand. Clinging to you, we will pass safely through the straits of history. Lead us by the hand to rediscover the bonds that unite us. Gather us beneath your mantle, in the tenderness of true love, where the human family is reborn. Let us together pray these words to Our Lady: "*We fly to thy protection, O Holy Mother of God*".

## Parish News

### 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.

### 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

## 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**

**EASTER RETREAT AT CASTLERIGG MANOR: 6th – 9th April.** Open to anyone in Year 10 or up to age 25. A chance to journey through the powerful story of Easter, having fun and making friends along the way. £65 but Castlerigg may be able to assist if this is not achievable. Visit [www.castleriggmanor.com](http://www.castleriggmanor.com) or email: [jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk)

## WINDERMERE – Church Preparations for Easter

**CLEANING:** Help would be appreciated to clean the church for Easter. There a task list in the porch. Please put your name against the job that you will carry out. This can be done at your convenience and the church is open from 0900 to 1500 Monday to Friday. Please bring your own cleaning supplies/equipment.

**FLOWERS:** A collection will be taken for Easter flowers this weekend and next.

## AMBLESIDE – Church Preparations for Easter

Volunteers to help with church cleaning and Easter flowers at Ambleside will be most welcome, day and time to suit. Please contact Anne Corin if you are able to help - [annecorin@btinternet.com](mailto:annecorin@btinternet.com) / 015394 33944.

## CAFOD – Family Fast Day

Our final grand total for both parishes this Lent Family Fast Day was £815.00. Sincere thanks from CAFOD for your kind generosity.

## British Summer Time starts next weekend!

Don't forget to put your clocks forward before you go to bed on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March! We will all be looking forward to some lighter evenings, after what seems to have been a very overcast winter in the South Lakes.

## STEERING GROUP

The next Steering Group Meeting will be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 10am. Venue to be advised.

## A SMILE

A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive, without making poorer those who give. It takes but a moment, but the memory of it sometimes last forever. None is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, and none is so poor but that he can be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in business, and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote for trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value to anyone until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give you a smile, give them one of yours, as none needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give. Anon.

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

**Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor by Wednesday lunch time at:**  
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