

25/ 26 March 2023 5 Sunday of Lent Yr A

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Masses and Intentions 25 March 2023 – 2 April 2023

5th Sunday of Lent (Yr A)

Sat 25	4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 26	9.30am (MA) 11.15am (OLW)
Mon 27	NO MASS
Tues 28	9.30am (MA) followed by Stations of the Cross
Wed 29	9.30am (OLW)
Thur 30	NO MASS
Fri 31	9.30am (OLW) 10.00am Confessions at Windermere followed by Stations of the Cross

Palm Sunday (Yr A)

Sat 1 April	10.30am Confessions at Ambleside 4.00pm Mass in Polish (OLW) 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 2	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: Leo Pyle, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

May all our deceased loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory.

This weekend, there will be an organist at both Vigil and Sunday Mass at Windermere.
Hymns: 794, 972, 909, (113 SAT) 862

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

We still have two weeks to go until Easter but the Bible readings of this Sunday already speak about resurrection. It is not yet that of Jesus, which bursts in as an absolute innovation, but our own resurrection, to which we aspire and which Christ himself gave to us, in rising from the dead.

Indeed, death represents a wall as it were, which prevents us from seeing beyond it; yet our hearts reach out beyond this wall and even though we cannot understand what it conceals, we nevertheless think about it and imagine it, expressing with symbols our desire for eternity.

Christ pulls down the wall of death and in Him dwells all the fullness of God, who is life, eternal life.

Pope Benedict XVI

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

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 or email: 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 / 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.

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

PARISH STEERING GROUP

Who are these people? I hear you ask.

Well, we are just people like you. Generally, but not entirely, getting on in years, but with enough energy and commitment to do a range of practical jobs, both

regular and one-offs that keep our churches open, and things happening in the parish.

We don't get paid (volunteers one and all); there's no glory (what's glory?), but we step up because we feel it's important to keep our parish and our churches open, active, and welcoming to be in. You may not notice the results of our labours very often, but if we all stopped tomorrow, you surely would!!

It would be so wonderful if more parishioners could join us, or at least consider giving us a little help from time to time.

For the interested and the curious among you, we are posting the notes from our meetings at the back of both our churches.

If you'd like see for yourself what goes on at our meetings, the group next meets at Our Lady of Windermere on Tues April 4th at 1030am. Come and join us!

AROUND THE SOUTH LAKES

Good Friday Walk of Witness on (7th April). Starting with a United Service at Stricklandgate Methodist Church 10.30am; walk begins 11.15am from outside the church, walking through Kendal stopping in the Market Place, at the Birdcage and outside 106. Final act of worship at Kendal Parish Church. All welcome.

Light of Truth On-line courses for Catholic Formation for everyone

The Dominican Sisters of St Joseph offer on-line opportunities to learn more about our Faith. They have courses suitable for individuals, groups and schools. Courses last from 2-5 sessions depending on the content, and range from understanding the Bible, learning about the sacraments, and there are even courses for Church readers! To find out more, visit www.lightoftruth.uk. The Sisters welcome donations, suggested at £5 per person per session, but no one should feel they can't afford to participate. Visit the website to find out more!

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

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