

11/ 12 November 2023 32 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

OUR LADY OF WINDERMERE & ST HERBERT AND MATER AMABILIS, AMBLESIDE

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Masses and Intentions

11 Nov 2023 – 19 Nov 2023

MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside

OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert

32 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)

Sat 11 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish
5.30pm (*Sung*) (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 12 9.30am (MA) (*Special intention of the Donor*)
11.15am (OLW) (*Departed Souls*)
Tues 14 9.10am *Rosary* Mass 9.30am (MA)
Wed 15 9.10am *Rosary* Mass 9.30am (OLW)
Fri 17 9.10am *Rosary* Mass 9.30am (OLW)

followed by Confessions

33 Sunday of the Year (Yr A)

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

For those who are sick: Please pray for Ruth Gajdowska and Margaret (Meg) Wood who are sick. Please pray also for Julie Pomfret (neè* Fleming) who is recovering in hospital after a stroke. 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: Annie Daly, Thomas (Tom) Kelly, Dorothy Mary Mitchinson, Penny Tinn, Estelle Robins, Minnie Hewitt, Martin McAlindon, Florence Elizabeth May (Lily), Sara Margaret Shepherd, Anthony Dobson, Canon D Corbichley, Canon J Bamber, Fr J Glenholme, Margaret Stevenson, Stanley Mulgrew, John Barker-Dixon, Anthony Wallington, Eleanor Fleming, Kathleen Clark, Ida Strickland, Francis Nash, Margaret Doyle, Eliza Agnes Golding, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Lately dead: Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of Rose Crowe, and Fr Joe O'Connor who died recently.

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

Hymns for Vigil Mass at Windermere: 955, 607, 253, 907

There is a box on the altar steps in both our churches where parishioners can put the names of those deceased loved ones for whom they wish prayers during the month of November.

If you wish a Mass said for a deceased loved one, or a group of deceased family/ friends, please do complete the envelopes

available in the entrances of both churches, add your Mass offering and hand to either Fr Ajish or one of the stewards at Mass. During November it won't be possible to select a specific date, but all requests will be honoured.

Remembrance Day is this Saturday 11th November, and **Remembrance Sunday** commemorations in the UK take place on 12th November.

We now have a card machine for donations at Windermere! Please see the Stewards in the church entrance as you come in or leave. This can be used for your weekly offering, or for special collections or the Roof Fund.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Confessions usually 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

Meditating with St Hildegard of Bingen

"The air with its penetrating strength characterises the victorious banner that is trust.

It gives light to the fire's flame and sprinkles the imagination of believers with the dew of hope.

Thus does trust show the way.

Those who breathe this dew long for heavenly things. They carry within refreshing, fulfilling, greening love, with which they hasten to the aid of all.

With the passion of heavenly yearning, they produce rich fruit."

St Hildegard of Bingen c.1098-1179 was a Benedictine abbess known as writer, composer, philosopher, mystic, visionary and advisor to bishops and kings. Her mysticism is linked to the natural world. In 2012, Pope Benedict XVI named her a Doctor of the Church for the holiness of her life and the originality of her teaching.

Parish News

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!!

Here is advance notice of events in our parish in the run up to Christmas. Exact dates to come next week!

Friday 1 December

St Cuthbert's School Fair takes place in the Church Hall 3.30pm-5.00pm.

The parish has a stall at St Cuthbert's School Fair (Proceeds to the Roof Fund).

Sunday 3 December

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert will be holding their **Annual Christmas Carol Service** with the Burneside The candlelit service begins at 3pm. Tea/coffee and mulled wine will be available afterwards in the Church Hall. **All proceeds to go to the Mary's Meals Charity. Donations of mince pies for refreshments would be gratefully appreciated.**

Saturday 9 December 10.00am - 12.00pm
Christmas Coffee Morning at Our Lady of Windermere (in the Church Hall). All proceeds to the Roof Repair Fund. **Entrance Fee £1.50 which includes tea or coffee and a mince pie!**

There will be a raffle and lots of lovely items on sale. A great opportunity for parishioners, visitors, family and friends to come together before Christmas and at the same time raise money for the church Roof Repair Fund.

As well as coming along on the day, we need raffle prizes and quality items to sell such as: jewellery, gift items (e.g. candles), non-perishable foods, chocs and confectionery, wine and spirits, games and toys in very good condition, new clothes, homemade preserves and cakes.

If you can help set up in advance for the coffee morning – please contact **Caroline Kaye** on **07767163479**.

If there is anything which can be dropped off in advance, please bring to either of the churches after Mass and hand to a steward. Please don't leave anything in the churches, as sadly we have already had items stolen. Contact Caroline on **07767163479** for **more details and if you need items collected**. Many thanks!

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. No charge, but donations welcome which benefit many charities, including CAFOD, Aid to the Church in Need and Mary's Meals. At Windermere, donations are currently going towards the church roof fund.

AND THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF

A big thank you to everyone who has already generously donated towards our fundraising campaign. Thanks to you, the amount now raised has now reached **£5345**. We are designating special Masses for the intentions of our benefactors throughout the year.

We still have a large amount to raise (£120 - £150k) to repair and replace all areas of the Church roofs and the gutters, this includes the Church Hall, which serves the Catholic School daily, for their activities and lunch. **Look out for news of some fundraising activities in the run up to Christmas. We'll be calling all gardeners, cake bakers, and looking for other contributors too!**

Our Church was built in 1962 and while the roofs have served us well up to now, they are showing wear and tear on the pitched roofs and the flat roofs, of which there are six, are failing dramatically.

What you can do ...

Firstly, Pray for us. Ask Our Lord to help us repair His House, our sanctuary of the Holy Eucharist and a meeting place for His people in Windermere.

Secondly, we need ideas and support for fundraising. Please **contact Caroline Kaye** on **07767163479** with your ideas, great or small are welcome.

And thirdly, donate any spare change or notes you have, please! If you don't use cash, we now take credit cards, Apple Pay and Google Pay too! Our fundraising collectors will be waiting after every Mass to collect your kind donations. Whatever you can

spare to help us, will be gratefully appreciated. Where possible, would you kindly gift aid your donations by filling in your details on the envelopes at the church entrance? Thank you.

You may also prefer to pay directly into our Parish account by bank transfer. Here are the details.

ACC Name: **Parish of Our Lady of Windermere and St Herbert**
Sort code **40-27-02**

Acc Number: **41335588**

VERY IMPORTANT! Please put **'ROOF'** as your reference. Thank you.

NEWS FROM CAFOD

Thank you to everyone who donated to Family Fast Day. A total of £740 was raised by our parish.

Around the Diocese

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY INTERNSHIPS

Castlerigg Manor (The Lancaster Diocese Retreat Centre) is looking for young Catholics aged 18-25 to join their **Internship Programme**. The scheme lasts for one or two years and gives participants wide ranging experience, skills, training, and qualifications as well as the opportunity to work with a fantastic team based in the Lake District. For more information contact director@castleriggmanor.co.uk

TIMES of CHRISTMAS SERVICES in WINDERMERE and AMBLESIDE

Sat 23 December (4th Sunday of Advent) (OLW) **4pm Polish Mass TBC**

Sat 23 Dec Vigil Mass (4th Sunday of Advent) (**Sung**) (OLW) 5.30pm

Sun 24 Dec (4th Sunday of Advent) 9.30am (**MA**)

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Sun 24 Dec Christmas Eve (1st Mass of Christmas) 5pm (**MA**) ; 7pm (**Sung**) (OLW)

Mon 25 December Christmas Day (Christmas Day Mass) 9.30 am (**Sung**) (OLW)

Please Note: On Christmas Day there will be one Mass only – at Our Lady & St Herbert in Windermere. There will be NO MASS on Christmas Day at Ambleside.

Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor: Deadline Wed lunchtime. Email: greetingsolw22@gmail.com