

# 25/26 November 2023 Feast of Christ, the Universal King Yr A

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MATER AMABILIS, AMBLESIDE**

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## **Masses and Intentions 25 Nov 2023 – 26 Nov 2023**

**MA= Mater Amabilis, Ambleside  
OLW = Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert**

### **Feast of Christ, the Universal King (Yr A)**

Sat 25	4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish 5.30pm ( <i>Sung</i> ) (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 26	9.30am (MA) 11.15am (OLW)
Tues 28	9.10am <i>Rosary</i> Mass 9.30am (MA)
Wed 29	9.10am <i>Rosary</i> Mass 9.30am (OLW)
Fri 1 Dec	9.10am <i>Rosary</i> Mass 9.30am (OLW) <b>followed by Confessions</b>

### **1 Sunday of Advent (Yr B)**

Sat 2 Dec	10.30am (MA) <b>Confessions</b> 4.00 pm(OLW) Mass in Polish 5.30pm (OLW) Vigil Mass
Sun 3	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: Winnifred Chisholme, Mary Dawson Viktoria Beaty, Margaret Simon, Martin John (Sean) McDermott, Catherine Holohan, Margaret Williams, Fr D Darragon, Mgr Molyneux, May Cunningham, Canon J Tootell, Lily Hothersall, Cecily Gore, May MCGriskin, Mary Kathleen Byrne, John Davidson, Ernest Morgan, Ellen Smith, John Jordan, Amelia Davis and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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

**There will be no organist at OLW on 25/26 Nov and 2/3 Dec.**

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.

### **LOST ITEM!**

An item was found in church recently. Could it be yours? If you may have lost something while at church, please contact **Caroline on 07767163479.**

## **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**

On 30<sup>th</sup> November, we celebrate the feast of the Apostle, St Andrew, Patron of Scotland. Andrew was the brother of St Peter, and he appears in the Gospels, often at key moments. It was Andrew, for example, who first persuaded Peter to follow Jesus. For this reason, Andrew is known as 'The First Called' in the Orthodox Church. St Andrew was also the one who brought the boy with the loaves and fishes to Jesus at the Sermon on the Mount.

The early church fathers recorded only a few details of Andrew's missionary travels in the early years of the young Christian church. But it is agreed St Andrew evangelised in Scythia, and in those areas which later became Ukraine, Russia and Romania. Tradition also says he founded the see of Byzantium (Constantinople) and took Christianity to ancient Achaëa.

St Andrew was martyred in Patras in Achaëa in AD 60, on an X-shaped cross, known in Scotland as a 'saltire'.

Throughout the following centuries his relics were venerated – and scattered throughout the Western world, with some finding their way to the town in Scotland which now bears his name, St Andrew's.

According to legendary accounts, in 832, Oengus II, then King of the Scots, went to battle with an army of Picts and Scots against the Angles. Being heavily outnumbered, he prayed to St Andrew before the battle, vowing to make him the country's patron saint if the Scots were victorious. On the morning of the battle, white clouds forming an X-shape were seen in the sky, which the Scots took as a favourable omen. The battle was won, and St Andrew was duly proclaimed the patron saint of Scotland. The Scottish flag portrays a white saltire in a blue background in honour of the miracle.

***Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his brother with him: give us, who are called by Your Holy Word, grace to follow Him without delay, and to bring those near to us into His gracious presence; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.***

## **Parish News**

### **NEW PARISH WEBSITE ADDRESS**

We have changed our parish website address to: [www.ourladyofwindermere.org](http://www.ourladyofwindermere.org) Same website, just a slightly different address!

### **Items for the newsletter should be sent to the Editor:**

**Deadline Wed lunchtime.**

Email: [greetingsolw22@gmail.com](mailto:greetingsolw22@gmail.com)

**CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING AT OUR LADY of WINDERMERE.**

There is a rota up in the porch at OLW for church cleaning in readiness for Christmas. It would be great if parishioners could choose a task on the rota and carry it out in their own time. The church is open from 9.30-3.30pm during the week.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!!

#### 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). Donations of cakes, plants and sellable gifts welcome.

#### Sunday 3 December

Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert will be holding their **Annual Christmas Carol Service** with Burneside Brass Band. **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. And some raffle prizes would be much 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 for a fun event, 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 and / or be around to help on the day – please contact **Caroline 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!

### AND THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF ....

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. 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! 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.

### CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

CAFOD are running an Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal. You may donate on-line at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter. It is also possible to donate via our parishes, just put your cash or cheque in an envelope marked CAFOD in the offertory collection basket and we will forward the monies on to CAFOD for you. Please continue to pray for those affected by this war and also Ukraine. The Rosary is being said in both our parishes before weekday Masses for this intention.

#### TIMES of CHRISTMAS SERVICES in WINDERMERE and AMBLESIDE

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

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

**Sun 24 Dec** (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent) 9.30am (MA)  
**PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Mass at 11.15 at OLW this Sunday.**

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**Sun 24 Dec** Christmas Eve (1<sup>st</sup> 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.**

No Mass at Mater Amabilis on 26<sup>th</sup> December. Other Mass times will be as publicised in the newsletter.

As New Year's Day (Jan 1) falls on a Monday, there will be a **Mass to celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God at OLW on Mon 1 Jan at 9.30am and on Tuesday 2 Jan at MA at 9.30am. No Mass at OLW on Wed 3 Jan.**