

# 6 /7 April 2024 2 Sunday of Easter Yr B

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MATER AMABILIS, AMBLESIDE**

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## **Masses and Intentions 6 April 2024 – 14 April 2024**

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

### **2 Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) (Yr B)**

Sat 6 10.30 **Confessions (MA)**  
4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish  
5.30pm (OLW) (*Sung*) Vigil Mass (*Biju Mathew RIP*)  
Sun 7 9.30am (MA) (*Private Intention*)  
11.15am (OLW) (*Sung*) (*Joan Chew RIP*)  
Tues 9 (*9.10am Rosary*) 9.30am (MA) (*Newby Family*)  
Wed 10 (*9.10am Rosary*) 9.30am (OLW) (*Ann Calvert – sick*)  
Fri 12 (*9.10am Rosary*) 9.30am (OLW) (*Mary Flynn RIP*)  
**Confessions before Mass**

### **3 Sunday of Easter (Yr B)**

Sat 13 4.00pm (OLW) Mass in Polish  
5.30pm (OLW) (*Sung*) Vigil Mass  
Sun 14 9.30am (MA)  
11.15am (OLW)

**For those who are sick:** Please pray for Tony and Myra Daly, Tony Cook, Ruth Gajdowska, and Margaret (Meg) Wood, who are sick. Please pray also for Julie Pomfret (née\* 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: Fr Cyprian Smith OSB, Mgr Michael Tully, Margaret Hanley, Charles Breakell, Elaine Veronica Whitcock, Mildred Walker, Peter Davies, Ethel Alice Davidson, Elsie Campbell-Butler, Fr John Morley SDS, Vincent Fitzsimmonds, William Wynn, Fr Fabian Ratcliffe OP, Bill Barnes, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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

### **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 on **Friday before Mass.**

**We 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.**

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

**Deadline Wed lunchtime.**

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

**He is Risen! Risen Indeed!**



May the Risen Lord Jesus, who has freed us from sin and death by His sacred Passion and Resurrection from the dead, bestow on you, your families and all who are dear to you, abundant blessings today, and every day.

*Fr Ajish Kumpukkal*

## **Parish News**

### **THANK YOUs!!**

So many people have taken part in activities to help make our churches ready and welcoming for Holy Week and Easter. And many parishioners and visitors have attended the services of Holy Week which has made our worship as a community all the more moving and special. Thank you to all of you.

There are several people in the parish - a small bank of dedicated volunteers - who look after the church buildings all year round, keeping them clean and beautiful for the Lord's use, take on work to help with our finances, support our liturgy, provide welcoming and hospitality and 101 other tasks, great and small, that keep our parish open and active. I thank them too for their dedicated service, which the Lord will recompense in His good time.

And I thank you all very humbly for your generosity on this Easter Sunday, when the collection is your gift to your parish priest.

God bless you all +

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### **DATES for YOUR DIARY:**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the dedication of Our Lady of Windermere & St Herbert's! To celebrate our Jubilee, there will be a special Mass followed by refreshments on that very day, **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June.** The Bishop will be joining us to concelebrate Mass with Fr Ajish and former parish priests. All are welcome.

## FIRST COMMUNION

**First Communion in our parish will take place on 19th May**, and the preparations will be done at St Cuthberts School

If there is child not at the Catholic school who would like to make their First Communion this year at Windermere or Ambleside, please contact Father Ajish to arrange catechism classes.

Parents and guardians! Please support your children taking part in this holy Sacrament! Come along with them to Sunday Mass.

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## ACTIVATING THE CHURCH CAR PARK AT WINDERMERE OVER EASTER

Many thanks to all those who organised and took part in opening our car park to visitors over the Easter Bank Holiday. A grand total of £346 was raised for the Roof Fund. Very well done everyone!

## OFFERTORY GIFT AID ENVELOPES

The Gift Aid envelopes for the new year starting on 7th April are available for you to collect from the back of both churches. Please let us know if you do not currently use these envelopes but would like to do so for your future Offertory donations.

Please also let us know if you would prefer to donate via standing order or BACS transfer. If you are a UK taxpayer and have not yet signed a Gift Aid declaration, do please consider doing so.

The additional income we receive from Gift Aid is a most welcome boost to our income at both churches. Thank you for all your offerings at both churches during the past year, your generosity is much appreciated.

## RAISING THE WINDERMERE CHURCH ROOF!!

Thanks to all the fundraising efforts (including the car park initiative) we have now raised just **over £14,215** - an amazing amount!! Can we make it to £15k by the end of April? Check out the Fund Thermometer in the church entrance to see how far we have got, and how far we have to go to reach our target of £120k.

Why do we need to raise such a large sum of money? The parish is now well aware, but our visitors may like to know that our Church was built in 1962 and while the roofs have served us well up to now, they are now, not surprisingly, showing wear and tear. The flat roofs, of which there are six, are failing dramatically. This year, 2024, is the Jubilee Year of the church. Wouldn't it be great to use this anniversary to secure our House of God until the next Jubilee? With your help, we can do it!

**Donations will be collected after every Mass**, and for your convenience we have a credit card machine for those preferring to make a card donation. Every contribution, regardless of the amount, will be greatly appreciated and help us to reach our goal. Donations may also be made 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.

If you would like to Gift Aid your donations, please fill in a gift aid envelope (available in the church), write 'ROOF' on the envelope and pop in the black wall box in the church entrance, also marked ROOF. Thank you again!!

## YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

The parishes of Ambleside and Windermere are both in urgent need of more help. The people who are currently volunteering are overloaded!

Below is the list of tasks where a need has been identified right now. But, if you feel you have talents that you could bring to our church community, please feel free to offer your help in any area that interests you.

Some jobs are occasional, some requiring only a few hours per month, and some can be done remotely. The more people we have to spread the load means that the workload will be lighter for everyone.

If you are a frequent visiting worshipper at either of our parishes, perhaps you could consider occasional help for us too?

### Windermere

1. An additional CAFOD representative (appeals are generally just twice a year)
2. Co-editor for the newsletter (this job can be done from your home)
3. Help setting up and clearing the altar for weekend and weekday Masses
4. Flower Rota. This could be as a flower arranger or as someone who clears away old flowers and washes vases etc.
5. Singing/musician volunteers for major feasts e.g. Christmas /Easter etc.
6. Help removing candle wax from the altar carpet
7. Assisting with thorough church cleaning prior to Easter and Christmas. The more people we can get for this, the smaller the time commitment for everyone. The Easter list is currently in the porch.
8. Tidying the pews after weekend Masses.

### Ambleside

1. Sacristan
2. Counting and banking collection monies
3. All rota duties: Flowers, cleaning, greeters, tea & coffee after Mass

**Sign-up sheets will be available in the Sacristies of both churches. You can also speak to Father Ajish to let him know of your interest.**

## 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 many charities throughout the year, including CAFOD, Aid to the Church in Need and Mary's Meals. At Windermere, donations are currently going towards the church roof fund.