



MARY'S MEALS 'PRAY IN MAY' initiative: Many thanks for your generous support of the work of Mary's Meals, helping to continue the mission of reaching out to the world's poorest children with daily school meals, now reaching more than 1.8 million children each school day. Your prayerful support, especially during this month of May, is much appreciated. [Pray in May | Mary's Meals UK \(marysmeals.org.uk\)](https://www.marysmeals.org.uk)

Prayer for Mary's Meals

Our Father give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us for the times when we take more than
our share of the bread that belongs to all.

Let us help You fill the starving with good things,
not with scraps from our table.

Teach us how to share what is not ours to keep.
Clothe us with Your love that we may complete
each good work you created us to do.

Place in our hearts Your compassion for each
starving child and use our little acts of love
so that they starve no more.

Amen

CAFOD'S RECLAIM OUR COMMON HOME campaign is a call to action to participate in rebuilding a more dignified and sustainable world after the Coronavirus pandemic and wherever you are you can help address the issues of tackling the climate crisis, ending unjust debts and holding business accountable for practices throughout their supply chains to ensure that communities are protected. **Take action to stop the climate crisis. To sign the petition to the prime Minister please take a green card or go to cafod.org.uk/reclaim**

CAFOD are inviting Catholics to organise a virtual meeting with their local MP to discuss how to rebuild from the pandemic in a way that tackles the major global issues of our time. If interested please let Fr. Hugh or Caroline D'Arcy know. Watch a video at <https://youtu.be/WoAAvioYEW8> or <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Campaign-with-us/Parliament-in-your-parish>



**HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Serving Kendal and Sedbergh
PENTECOST – 23RD MAY 2021

TODAY'S READINGS:

O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear....

Today's feast offers us real hope. The Holy Spirit - the life-giver - filled the Apostles with life, with courage and renewed their trust in God. The doors of the Upper Room were opened, and the mission of the Church began. The Holy Spirit's gifts freed the Apostles to go out into the world to share with all people the wonder of Jesus Christ. We too can unlock the doors that trap us. We can do so because we are loved and graced by God. Let us not allow ourselves to be trapped, rather, let us, with renewed faith, call on the Holy Spirit to free us from whatever it is that may constrain us. It is with His help that we can live the fullness of life, in the fullness of faith and so continue to share the wonder of the Gospel with all peoples.

... And kindle it, Your holy flame bestowing!

Please note there will be NO Mass on Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th & Wednesday 26th May but Church will be open as usual from 10am – 12 noon. Thank you.

BAPTISMS: We are now able to carry out baptisms where a maximum of 30 people can attend. At the moment, social distancing and masks still apply in the church. Please contact the parish office or speak to Fr Hugh if you wanting to organise a baptism. Thank you.

SPEAK TO THE PARISH: In June or July if anyone would like to speak to the parish at the 10am Sunday Mass on a topic they would like to share about their faith, the Church or the parish etc. please let me know. The conditions are:

- 1) It has some reference to the readings, if only a line and be about 5 minutes.
- 2) It is upbuilding.
- 3) It is kind to all.
- 4) It can be challenging but not outrightly heretical.
- 5) Fr. Hugh might intervene if it is too good and putting his usual offering in the shade!



Sun 22 nd 23 rd	PENTECOST 6.00 pm Vigil: Frank McAvoy RIP 10.00 am: streamed from Church 12.00 noon: (at Sedbergh) 6.00 pm: People of the parish
Mon 24 th	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church NO MASS but church is open as usual
Tues 25 th	St Bede the Venerable NO MASS but church is open as usual
Wed 26 th	St Philip Neri NO MASS but church is open as usual
Thurs 27 th	Our Lord Jesus Christ, External High Priest 12.00 noon: Veronica Ruane LD
Fri 28 th	Friday of week 8 12.00 noon: Love and Thanks
Sat 29 th	Saturday of week 8
Sun 29 th 30 th	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 6.00 pm Vigil: William Clough RIP 10.00 am: People of the parish streamed from Church 12.00 noon: (at Sedbergh) 6.00 pm: Deceased family & friends (C.F)

Church is still open for private prayer:

10am - 12 noon Monday to Saturday and 2 – 4pm Sundays.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

SICK: Holly Howe, Will Flitcroft, Philip Barry, Pat Newton, Trish Hoad, Margaret West, Varlien Vyner-Brooks, Archie Scott, Jamie Banks Wallhead, Mary Brady, Bob Dickie, Ian Muir, Sylvia Duckworth, Winnie Edgar, Adrian Jennings, Christine Stoker, Barbara Banks, Netta Baxter. Eileen Halstead, Thomas Smith, Jane Johnson, Malcolm Nightingale, Patrick Dolan, Mike Nicholson, Heidi Walmsley.

ANNIVERSARIES: Stan Walling, Harold Riley, Terence Fahy, Gladys Unsworth, James Holleran, Denis Graham, Dick Moss-Blundell, James Graveson, Kevan Oran, Michelle Rungay, Elizabeth Hogg, Joan Varley, Robert Mitchell.

1. Please keep in your prayers the young people who have made their First Confession/Reconciliation this Saturday. They have worked very hard and all the sessions have taken place through Zoom which has been hard for them. May the Holy Spirit watch over them.

2. **First Holy Communion:** I am pleased to say that the First Holy Communion Mass will be on Saturday 10th July and we have 19 children taking part, some of who did not manage to finish the course last year due to the Coronavirus restrictions. Please keep this group in your prayers as well.

PARISH GROUPS INFORMATION: With the slight opening up on May 17th and hopefully more in June and as it is Pentecost, it seems a good time to think about the various groups that gather in the parish, some of which would benefit from a new influx of members, such as the Justice & Peace group, Live Simply / CAFOD group, the SVP. We would also like to encourage more people to be readers and we could do with more voices in the choir when we can start singing again. It would also be great if we could have more servers from those who make their First Holy Communion.

There are also opportunities to join in prayer with the House Groups, Oratory and the Wednesday Prayer Group which hopefully will be able to start up in the near future.

And so if you are interested in either helping in one of the groups or would like to expand your experience of prayer these are some of the options open.

Fr Hugh

FRONT OF CHURCH BUILDING WORKS UPDATE: It has been quite some time since we first put the scaffolding up at the front of church, as one or two of you have reminded me off and on! There has been a real problem finding out what is causing the cracking to the stonework and, sadly, because there is no clear answer our insurance will not cover this. However we have a very able project manager now who hopes to be able to get work underway during the summer. We first have to have a meeting with the Historic Churches Trust and make an application to the diocese to allow us to spend the money. At the same time we have had an expert checking the stained glass windows and we are waiting for his report as to how we can look after these. (It would also be nice to plan to redecorate the interior of the church but that will be some time off due to other costs.)