

ROTAS:

CLEANERS: Marie & Ken Nugent, Rita Sweeney (w/c 22nd April)
COFFEE: Prayer Group (28th April)
COUNTERS: Faith Billington & Deborah Carey (w/c 28th April)

DIARY EVENTS:

SUN 21st 10.00 am: First Holy Communion Presentation Mass
Children's Liturgy
Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass
WED 24th 6.00 pm: First Holy Communion Session 2
7.30 pm: Prayer Meeting (note new time)
THURS 25th 6.00 pm: Cenacolo Prayers *in Oratory*
FRI 26th 3.00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
SUN 28th 10.00 am: **NO** Children's Liturgy (*last Sunday of month*)
Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass

NEXT SVP MEETING: Sunday 5th May at 11.15am (after 10am Mass) in the upstairs room of the parish centre.



PRAYER MINISTRY: AFTER 10am SUNDAY MASS

Two members of the congregation offer a ministry of prayer on the sanctuary after Mass to anyone with a particular need or concern who would like personal prayer. This is a confidential ministry, bringing your need to Jesus in prayer.

Thank you for your kind offertory donations:



FEBRUARY: £4597.03
MARCH: £5744.06
HOLY PLACES: £386.00

CANCERCARE SUPPORT: A new peer support group for anyone affected by cancer or bereavement meeting on **Tuesdays, 2 – 4pm**, Blackhall Road, Kendal.

STAY CURIOUS TRY ALPHA: Explore or discover afresh the basics of the Christian Faith. Kendal Parish Hall, **6.30pm on Fridays until 24th May**.

Right to Life Prayer for 21st April: "Let us pray for all those who are close to death, especially those who are alone, that they would always be treated with respect and have their human dignity upheld. Lord hear us".

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Serving Kendal and Sedbergh

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 21st APRIL 2024



Today's Readings: Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise...

The *Good Shepherd* lays down His life for His sheep – that means He laid down His life for each of us! Why? Because God knows and loves us, warts and all. Left alone, we are unable to fight off the various and many attacks and temptations that can turn us away from His love. So from His immeasurable love, He sent His Son to show us the strength of that love and the depth of His compassion that we might accept it. Jesus, as the Good Shepherd, even those considered lost are His, and He looks out for them. By His death - a loving and obedient response to His Father – which He accepted in order to pay off the debt of all our sins; *He died that we might be forgiven*, healed and restored. In response to His generous forgiveness, healing and restoration we accept our commission to be Good Shepherds today. We are called to look to those who have strayed and bring them to know the bountiful love, mercy and compassion of our God. The fruits of this commission will let us all, as one body with one voice, sing together the praises of our Good Shepherd within His house for ever.

...within Thy house forever!



Welcome to the First Holy Communion candidates at the Presentation Mass this weekend as they start their course in preparing to receive the sacrament. Please keep them in your prayers.

The next meeting will be at 6pm on Wednesday 24th April for candidates AND parents please.

There is a lovely selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts in the Piety Shop - open after 10am and 6pm Sunday Masses. *Come and take a look!*

PIETY  STALL

MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 21st APRIL 2024

Sun 20 th 21 st	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 6.00 pm Vigil: Colin Baines (sick) 10.00 am: Marie Brookes RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish 6.00 pm: Terry O'Malley LD	<u>at Sedbergh</u>
Mon 22 nd	Monday of 4th week of Easter 10.00 am: Winnie Edgar (aged 103 birthday blessings)	
Tues 23 rd	St George 12.00 noon: Elizabeth Scrope LD	
Wed 24 th	Wednesday of 4th week of Easter 12.00 noon: Bob Dickie RIP	
Thurs 25 th	St Mark 12.00 noon: Celia Ghirardi's daughter	
Fri 26 th	Friday of 4th week of Easter 12.00 noon:	
Sat 27 th	Saturday of 4th week of Easter	
Sun 27 th 28 th	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 6.00 pm Vigil: Patrick and Jen (wedding blessings) 10.00 am: Ann Nettleton RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish 6.00 pm: John Selby RIP	<u>at Sedbergh</u>



Watch the Sunday 10am Mass Livestream at
www.kendalcatholicchurch.uk

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

SICK: Jamie Banks Wallhead, Ian Muir, Winnie Edgar, Christine Stoker, Thomas Smith, Jane Johnson, Patrick Dolan, Mike Nicholson, Heidi Walmsley, Edward Sykes, Sylvia Chambers, Christopher Brown, Sandra Jones, Teresa Harbatch, Margaret Ward, Olimpia McAvoy, Christine Ellwood, Maria Parrott, Moira Ferguson, Diane Dixon, Elizabeth Cartmell.

ANNIVERSARIES: Sarah Mitchell, William O'Connor, Jeremiah O'Shea, Thomas Mackie, Sarah Ross, Margaret Murray, Maureen Cuniffe, Teresa Natrass, Margaret Bamber, William Swarbrick, Sarah Knowles, James Burke, Emily Elvey, Brian Wright, Lisa Wright, Eric Troughton, Josephine Myerscough, Sean O'Shea, James Tobin, Evelyn Crossley, Collette Wilkinson, Dermot O'Shea.

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PART OF THE MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2024 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

Called to sow seeds of hope and to build peace.

*Dear brothers and sisters! Each year, the World Day of Prayer for Vocations invites us to reflect on the precious gift of the Lord's call to each of us, as members of his faithful pilgrim people, to participate in his loving plan and to embody the beauty of the Gospel in different states of life. Hearing that divine call, which is far from being an imposed duty – even in the name of a religious ideal – is the surest way for us to fulfil our deepest desire for happiness. Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty and peace, wherever we find ourselves. For the full message visit **Vatican.va Francis and click on Messages.***

There will be a collection for the Ecclesiastical Education Fund.

Congratulations to Ellison Base who was baptised here recently and to Harriet Finegan who was baptised at St Andrew's Sedbergh recently.

JOHN 17 PRAYER GROUP is an all-church prayer gathering - if you would like to pray with other Christians from across Kendal's churches, please come along. The meetings are on the 4th Monday of each month starting Monday 22nd April.; 7pm at The Shakespeare Centre, Kendal. Contact Adam at john17kendal@gmail.com



A Year of Encounter is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at key moments. Please

see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including online sessions on 25 April and 4 May to learn more.

EXHIBITION OF ICONS painted by local Iconographer: 18th – 27th May at Kendal Parish church, 9am – 4pm daily. **LECTURE** on Iconography, 18th May at 7.30pm. **TALK** on artistic techniques, 22nd May at 2pm. See poster for details.

JOHN BRADBURNE PILGRIMAGE WALK: Saturday 8th June. Stephen Shaw is happy to speak to anyone who may be interested in this. You can contact Stephen on 01539 737938. Mass will be at St John the Evangelist before the climb on Cross Fell stopping for lunch and prayers; followed with refreshments and talks in Skirwith Village Hall. There are A5 leaflets in church and booklets about John Bradburne.