

## ROTAS:

### CLEANERS:

Marie & Ken Nugent, Rita Sweeney (w/c Mon 17<sup>th</sup>)

### COFFEE:

Overseas Aid Group (Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>)

### COUNTERS:

Judith Brookes & Diana Crewdson (w/c Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>)

## DIARY EVENTS:

SUN 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am:	<b>NO</b> Children's Liturgy (half-term, resume 2 <sup>nd</sup> March) Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass
WED 19 <sup>th</sup>	1.15 pm:	<b>NO</b> Prayer Meeting (resume 26th February)
THURS 20 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm:	Cenacolo Prayers <i>in Oratory</i>
FRI 21 <sup>st</sup>	3.00 pm:	Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
SUN 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 am:	<b>NO</b> Children's Liturgy (half-term, resume 2 <sup>nd</sup> March) Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass

## PIETY STALL

**The new missals have arrived and are now ready to collect from the piety shop. Thank you.**

### CASTLERIGG MANOR: [www.castleriggmanor.com](http://www.castleriggmanor.com)

EASTER RETREAT, 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> April, open to anyone in Year 7 or above, with separate streams for teens and young adults.

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT – 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> May, open to anyone aged 18-30, with the theme 'What do Catholics believe?'. With guest speakers, karaoke, an afternoon out, and everything else!

SUMMER RETREAT – 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July, bookings open during the Easter Season. Final open retreat of the year and a chance to enjoy Keswick in the sun while making a few friends and deepening your faith.

PRIVATE STAYS AT CASTLERIGG – visit the website for details.

**WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2025:** 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> October. All-inclusive cost £475 – 550 pp. Contact 07895 742732 or [charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk](mailto:charlie.conner@lrcd.org.uk). See poster.

**ANNUAL JUSTICE & PEACE CONFERENCE 2025:** 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> July at Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick. Visit [justice-and-peace.org.uk](http://justice-and-peace.org.uk) for details.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025** with the Diocese of Lancaster: 23<sup>rd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> July. Please see posters for the main pilgrimage from £949 and youth section from £795.

**CYMFED FLAME CONGRESS:** Young people Year 9 up to age 18. Saturday 15th March at the OVO Arena, Wembley. Please speak to Fr. Hugh, Iain or Mary Biddle.

**PARISH PRIESTS:** Canon Hugh Pollock VG and Fr Simon Marley.

**DEACON:** Reverend George Bissett

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## HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025**



## TODAY'S READINGS: *A blessing on those...*

Jesus really turns things upside in today's Gospel reading. He looks at the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and the hated and calls them blessed. Meanwhile, those who seem to have it all—wealth, comfort, laughter, and praise—get a serious warning. It's not exactly the kind of message we expect, but that's the whole point. God's kingdom doesn't work the way the world does. Jesus isn't saying that suffering itself is good or that wealth is automatically bad. Instead, He's asking: Where's your trust? If we rely on money, comfort, or popularity, we might feel secure now, but those things won't last. But if we lean on God, even in struggle, we're on solid ground. This passage is both a comfort and a challenge. It reassures those who are struggling that their pain is not the end of the story—God sees them, loves them, and has a greater reward in store. But it also pushes us to examine our priorities. Are we chasing the world's idea of success, or are we seeking God's kingdom? Jesus reminds us that real joy, real fulfilment, comes not from what we have, but from who we follow.

*...who put their trust in the Lord!*



**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (S.P.U.C):** There will be an appeal in church this weekend. SPUC works to uphold the right to life from conception to natural death concerns. Its concerns at present are the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, currently before Parliament, and the abuses of the "Pills by Post" arrangements for Medical Abortions.

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY:** *"Pilgrims of Hope: Our Journey Together Towards Racial Justice"*. The theme invites Catholics to reflect on the collective journey towards racial justice in our schools, parishes and wider society. This prayer can be used to pray for an end to racism & discrimination:

*"Heavenly Father, thank you for leading us, may we never falter on this journey we have undertaken. Instead we offer you the difficulties and the challenges encountered on this road, knowing that each pilgrim step, taken in faith, and in love for you and our brothers and sisters will bring us closer to that end which is your desire for us – justice for all your people. Let the words of the Prophet 'Let us go up to the mountain of the Lord that he may teach us his ways, that we may walk in his paths' guide our thinking and decisions. Remind us again, Lord, that to achieve racial justice we must remind ourselves that all are equal, all are gift, all are brothers and sisters."*

## MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

<b>Sun 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 10.00 am: Marian & Teresa Ratajski RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm:
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday of week 6</b> 10.00 am:
<b>Tues 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday of week 6</b> 12.00 noon: Baby Jack Robinson RIP
<b>Wed 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday of week 6</b> 12.00 noon: <b>2.00 pm: Funeral Service for Paul Smith (AT BEETHAM)</b>
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday of week 6</b> 12.00 noon:
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Friday of week 6</b> 12.00 noon:
<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>The Chair of St Peter the Apostle</b> Confessions: 10 – 11am and Adoration
<b>Sun 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 10.00 am: Pauline Mary Counsell RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm:

**KIRKBY LONSDALE:** Vigil Mass is at 5.30pm on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Confessions are available on request.  
The Requiem Mass for Clare Oates will be at 10.30am on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February at Kirkby Lonsdale.  
The Requiem Mass for Frank Brownbill will be at 1.45pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at Sedbergh.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**LATELY DEAD:** Nora Cooney, Peter McEvoy, Paul Smith, Clare Oates, Frank Brownbill.

**SICK:** Jamie Banks Wallhead, Ian Muir, Christine Stoker, Thomas Smith, Jane Johnson, Patrick Dolan, Mike Nicholson, Heidi Walmsley, Edward Sykes, Sylvia Chambers, Christopher Brown, Sandra Jones, Teresa Harbatch, Olimpia McAvoy, Christine Ellwood, Maria Parrott, Moira Ferguson, Diane Dixon, Elizabeth Cartmell, Joan Cate, Hilary Walters, Les Fielding.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John Higham, Annette Jefferson, Elizabeth Leaver, Teresa Fawcett, Patrick Burns, Peter Beagan, John Cafferty, Patricia Cook, Robert Sharpe, Mary Stoker, Anne Jasper, Harold Bland, Ciaran Holmes, Bernard Beagan, Margaret Selby, Philip Hodson, Effie Carlisle, James Edgar, Jeanette Dalzell, Margaret Kinley, Josie Chambers, John William Barber, Oswald Tat, Wilf Anderson.

*Congratulations to Evelyn Florence Kimberley Ollerenshaw who was baptised here recently.*

The latest **COFFEE ROTA** is out – there are paper copies in church should you wish to take one. Many thanks for your continued volunteering!

**PARISH MAGAZINE:** The latest magazine can be viewed on the website and there are also paper copies in church.

**MARY'S MEALS COFFEE MORNING:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March in the Parish Centre, 10am - 12 noon, £1 entrance includes hot drink and biscuits. Tickets on sale soon or pay on the door. Proceeds to Mary's Meals, Chabwera School, Zambia.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE** will be held in church on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm, prepared by Christian women in the Cook Islands. Refreshments will follow.



### FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

The first meeting will be on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** at 6pm in the parish centre. There is still plenty of time to join so if you have a child in Year 3 or above ready to be prepared to receive these Sacraments, please take one of the forms in church and return asap or bring along to the meeting on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. (We will require proof of baptism sometime during the course, if the baptism didn't take place here). Thank you.

**CONFIRMATIONS 2025** - If there is anyone interested in being confirmed this year (Year 7 or above) please also take one of the relevant registration forms from church and return asap.



*Thank you for your kind offertory donations for January: £4811.97 and generous donations for Lepra which came to £611.14.*

**SOUTH LAKES DEMENTIA HUB:** The next talk is on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 10.30am – 12 noon, Abbott hall Social Centre; with Geoff Wood, who will be bringing his ukulele to entertain. Please see poster for all meeting dates.

**DAY OF RENEWAL** to be led by Daniella Stephens at St Clare's, Preston on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 10am – 4pm. Please see poster in church for details.

**CROSS THE BAY WALK** guided by Michael Wilson, the King's Guide, supporting Springfield domestic abuse charity. Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Contact Clare on 01539 726171 or visit the website at: <https://guideoversands.co.uk/arnside-to-grange>