

### ROTAS:

**CLEANERS:**

**COFFEE:**

**COUNTERS:**

Catherine L, Faith & Anne B (w/c 31<sup>st</sup>)

Overseas Aid Group (Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>)

Ann & David Neil (w/c Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>)

### DIARY EVENTS:

SUN 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am:	<b>NO</b> Children's Liturgy in Easter holidays
WED 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	1.15 pm:	Prayer Meeting
	6.00 pm:	First Confession Practice Session
THURS 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00 pm:	Cenacolo Prayers <i>in Oratory</i>
	7.00 pm:	Parish Council Meeting
FRI 4 <sup>th</sup>	11.15 am:	Stations of the Cross
	3.00 pm:	Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
	6.00 pm:	First Reconciliations in church
SUN 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am:	<b>NO</b> Children's Liturgy in Easter holidays (back on 27 <sup>th</sup> April) Prayer Ministry & Coffee after 10am Mass

PIETY  STALL

New Easter cards in stock soon & gifts for sale.  
Open after 10am and 6pm Sunday masses.

**LENT ACTIONS:** If you are looking for something extra during Lent:

#### Prayer

- Come to Saturday morning Adoration 10 -11 am. Just drop in for a while.
- The Oratory adoration is possible at any time of the day. The Oratory is in the house. Please ask Fr. Simon or myself for the code and direction as to where it is.
- Join Wednesday meetings of the Prayer Group in the parish centre.
- Join a House Group. Just ask for contact details or create a new House Group of any number of people.
- Choose a book from the back of church and try it out for spiritual healing – Henri Nouwen for example.

#### Action:

- Find out about the Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) and visiting others.
- Your own suggestions....

*Fr Hugh*

**We are currently updating the parish website so please bear with us whilst we work on this. Thank you.**

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

**DEACON:** Reverend George Bissett

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## HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT - 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025**



### LAETARE SUNDAY - TODAY'S READINGS:

*Bless me Father for I have sinned...*

When we read the parable the Prodigal Son, we tend to focus on the younger brother. We consider his sins, his memory of his life with his father and how he had offended him. We consider too his difficult decision to return home, and to do so even if it were as a servant rather than as a favoured son. When we go to confession we feel as the prodigal son felt on that journey home. We consider our lives and recognise our sins and how happy we were before we were pulled down by whatever it was that caused us to sin. We resolve to do all we can to return to that original happiness; we long to be back on our father's farm, content to be in His Presence, even if that Presence be limited now. Then embraced by the words of absolution, we are welcomed home and with such love. Jesus' whole life was one of love; love for the Father and for us. He is the face of the Father's mercy. Let us accept and welcome the opportunity to live afresh in the mercy and compassion of God. Let us begin to consider and to reflect on our lives and to recognise how and where we need to change. This will be our preparation for a good confession this Lent.

*...with the help of Your grace I will try not to sin again.*

**PENITENTIAL RITE: Our Lent Penitential Service will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm.**



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 11.15am on Fridays during Lent. If anyone is able to volunteer to lead the Stations on 11<sup>th</sup> April please pop your name on the list in the church porch. Thank you.**

**WALSINGHAM COLLECTION LAST WEEKEND:** Thank you for your generous donations which came to **£258.40**. We will send this on to Fr Robert Billing for the work of the shrine. Find out more at [walsingham.org.uk/pilgrims-of-hope](http://walsingham.org.uk/pilgrims-of-hope)

## MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025

Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b> 10.00 am: People of the parish 12.00 noon: <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm: Joan Baines RIP
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Monday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> 10.00 am:
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Tuesday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> 12.00 noon: Sammy Schmidt RIP
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Wednesday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> 12.00 noon:
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Thursday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> 12.00 noon:
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Friday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> <b>11.15 am: Stations of the Cross</b> 12.00 noon: Mary & Richard Counsell RIP
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Saturday of 4<sup>th</sup> week in Lent</b> Confessions: 10 – 11am and Adoration
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b> 10.00 am: 12.00 noon: <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm: People of the parish



TO WATCH THE 10AM SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM  
GOOGLE **KENDAL CATHOLIC CHURCH LIVESTREAM**  
**YOU TUBE AND FOLLOW IT FROM THERE**

**KIRKBY LONSDALE:** Vigil Mass is at 5.30pm on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April.  
Confessions are available on request. The Penitential Service is at 5.30pm  
on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**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.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Eileen Blake, Catherine Duffy, Irene Mayor, Bernadette Robinson, Ralph Keeley, Zbigbiew Ryba, Tony Kelly, George Selby, Mary Small, Francis Hall, Betty Maher, Anne Wood, Edward Jackson, Molly Molloy, Peter McCarron, Franco Petruso, William Fisher, Herbert Jackson, George Hutchinson, Peter Robinson, Robin Scott, Terri Mattinson, Veronica Todd.

**FOREIGN CURRENCY COLLECTION** after 10am and 6pm masses on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April. On behalf of Mary's Meals there will be collections of any foreign currency (and obsolete UK currency) that you no longer want. Thank you.

**GLOBAL WITNESS FOR EQUALITY:** Church reform groups across the world are inviting Catholic women and men to take some action this Lent to support equality in the church, especially in ordained ministry. The possibility of reviving the tradition of ordaining women deacons has been discussed formally in the Church for over 50 years. It has been one of the subjects considered in the recent Synod process, worldwide, but a decision has been shelved yet again. We have talked about this in our parish house group and decided to ask our bishop to take a proactive role in restoring this ministry. **We invite other parishioners to sign this letter, from the Town Centre House Group, after Sunday Masses.**

**2025/2026 OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES:** The full boxes are in the church porch to collect. The smaller special collection boxes will be ready to collect from 6<sup>th</sup> April. (The first date for special collections is 18th April).



### CHRISM MASS at LANCASTER CATHEDRAL Holy Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am

This is a great opportunity to begin Easter celebrations with all the priests of the diocese and many of the people as well. The Bishop blesses the oils we use for sacraments during the year and the priests renew their priestly promises. In this Centenary and Holy Year it would be nice to take a good number of people to join in the Mass. If you would like to come, please sign up on the sheet in the porch. We hope to take some from the other parishes as well.



**Next weekend we will issue the service times over the Easter Triduum.**

**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.

**ALTAR SERVERS NATIONAL MASS:** Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 12.15pm at Lancaster Cathedral with Bishop Paul Swarbrick. Being held here for the first time to coincide with the Centenary. Please see the letter on the notice board for more details.



**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 2025:**  
**For the use of the new technologies:** Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.