

ROTAS:**CLEANERS:****CHILDREN'S LITURGY:****COFFEE:****COUNTERS:****DIARY EVENTS:**

SUN 18 th	10.00 am:	Children's Liturgy Prayer Ministry and Coffee after 10am Mass
WED 21 st	1.15 pm:	Prayer Meeting
THUR 22 nd	6.00 pm:	Cenacolo Prayers in Oratory
FRI 23 rd	3.00 pm:	Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church
SUN 25 th	10.00 am:	Children's Liturgy Prayer Ministry and Coffee after 10am Mass

RIGHT TO LIFE PRAYER: 18th January - *"As we just enter a week of prayer for Christian unity, let us pray that all Christians might express our shared love of Christ in charity towards the most vulnerable, including the sick, the poor, and the unborn. Lord hear us".*



Our Lady's Christmas Day Message given to Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti: "Dear children! Also today - when God permits me to carry to you in my arms little Jesus, the King of Peace, that He may fill you with the ardor of love and peace, so that every heart may be similar to His Heart in this time of grace - be resolute and courageous defenders of the love of your God, that in this time of grace He may give you His peace. Thank you for having responded to my call."

**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 2026**

For prayer with the Word of God - Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

At Sunday 10am Mass there is a Children's Liturgy (term-time) to which visitors are very welcome. Refreshments are available in the Parish Centre after the 10am Mass.

If you wish to Gift-Aid your offertory donation please take one of the GREEN ENVELOPES from the back of church to complete. Thank you.

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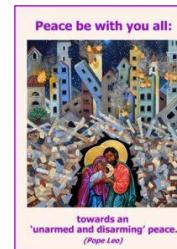
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18th JANUARY 2026

TODAY'S READINGS: Behold, the Lamb of God...

Today's Gospel follows directly from the Baptism of Jesus. St John points to Him and declares, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world." In that moment, Jesus is revealed not only as God's chosen one, but as the One who freely accepts the path that will lead to the Cross. St Paul helps us understand what this means for us. He says that Christ came so that we might be holy — and for Paul, holiness is not about being impressive or flawless, but about being set apart for God. Jesus suffered, died, and rose again to give us His own life. He died so that we might belong to God. That is why holiness is not something we achieve by effort alone. It is first something Jesus has already done for us. He has made us holy, and He invites us to live from that gift. We all long for full and meaningful lives. We discover them not by clinging tightly to ourselves, but by committing ourselves to God and trusting His truth. The Lamb of God calls us to follow Him — to offer our lives in love and service. St John saw the Holy Spirit descend upon Jesus. That same Spirit has descended upon us, calling us by name to trust, to witness, and to shine as lights that lead others to Christ.

... only say the word and I shall be healed!



PEACE SUNDAY Pope Leo has announced the theme - 'Peace be with you all: Towards an 'unarmed and disarming peace'. Pope Leo has continued the exhortation of Pope Francis that the call to live nonviolent 'disarmed' lives is core to Catholic Social Teaching and the key to peace in a world scarred by violent conflict. Pax Christi's work includes promoting nonviolence as a way of resolving conflict, advocacy and campaigning for peace and peace education in schools. You can donate via the website www.paxchristi.org.uk/product-category/peace-sunday-appeal/

'CAN YOU SHARE YOUR GIFTS?' We need helpers in church and in the parish committees! If you are interested in helping and/or finding out more please leave your completed form with one of the priests or hand into the parish office. Thank you. *Fr Hugh*

MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 18th JANUARY 2026

Sun 18th

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10.00 am:
12.00 noon: People of the parish
6.00 pm: Thanksgiving for good friends at Sedbergh

Mon 19th

Monday of week 2

10.00 am:

Tues 20th

St Sebastian

12.00 noon: Les Cook RIP

Wed 21st

St Agnes

12.00 noon:

Thurs 22nd

Thursday of week 2

12.00 noon:

Fri 23rd

Friday of week 2

12.00 noon:

6.30 pm: Syro-Malabar Mass

Sat 24th

St Francis de Sales

NO MASS Confessions 10 – 11am and Adoration

Sun 25th

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10.00 am: Billy & Janet Stewart RIP
12.00 noon: People of the parish at Sedbergh
6.00 pm: Joan Baines RIP

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

KIRKBY LONSDALE: Weekend Mass on Saturday 24th January at 5.30pm.
Confessions available on request.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

LATELY DEAD: Donald France.

THE SICK: Jamie Banks Wallhead, Christine Stoker, Thomas Smith, Jane Johnson, 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, Maureen Dundon, Ann Beckett, Janet Merrett.

ANNIVERSARIES: Peter Callaghan, Lional Leverington, Bertie Megson, Ernest Stoker, Margaret Hall, Frank Krzemen, William Loughran, Mary Hornyold-Strickland, Jean Draper, Mary Sheila Flood, Polly Robin, Leslie Cook, Ruth Newell, Winifred Eustace, Constantine McCruddock, Elsie Briddon, Graham Bloor, George Stewart, Patricia Hayton, Carol Ann Warren, Fr William Moulding, Kathleen Woodburn, Mary Ann Kelly, Margaret Sleegers, Paul Smith, Margaret Sharpe, Ron Hayton, Sylvia McDaid, Moira Lenartowicz.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026:

These sacraments reveal to us, very powerfully, God's love for each of us, and so they mark a very significant stage in your child's development. If you have a child in Year 3 and you consider him or her ready to be prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion there are registration forms in church.

CONFIRMATIONS 2026 - FORMS NOW AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

- if you are interested in being confirmed this year (Year 7 or above) please also take one of the relevant forms from church and return asap.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC (RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)): Please speak to Fr Hugh if you are interested in joining the course to become a Catholic.

PART TIME PAID POSITION IN GRANGE PARISH OFFICE: Our associated parishes of St Charles, Grange and Our Lady of Lourdes & Christ the King (Arnside & Milnthorpe) are looking to employ a Part Time Secretary to assist Marian and handle a smooth transition of some responsibilities. The position is available as of immediate effect. Please contact Fr Hugh at Kendal or Greg Tagney (07776252937) in Milnthorpe/Arnside or Mel Smith in Grange.

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE PARISH MAGAZINE! Our last issue was loaded with contributions from the parish! Please keep them coming for our Winter Issue! We would love to be able to publish by the start of February so please send articles, prayers, reflections, jokes, recipes, cartoons, puzzles, etc. to Celeste yorkistatheart@gmail.com or johnraymonddaley@gmail.com. Many thanks.



THE BIG LENT WALK: Walk 200km in 40 days for life-saving water. Walk anytime, anywhere and raise funds for CAFOD. Sign up at cafod.org.uk or scan the QR code on the poster in church.

LAKE DISTRICT MIGHTY HIKE for Macmillan Cancer Support. 6th June 2026 – register now at macmillan.org.uk/mightyhikes. Use code NEWYEAR25 or sign up as a team of 5+ before the end of February for discounted registration fees.

2026 CALENDARS: There are some spare complimentary calendars in the church porch – please take one if you would like one.

GARAGE WANTED TO RENT: A parishioner is looking for a garage in Kendal to rent for their car. Please let Fr Hugh know if you can help with this. Thank you.