



HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH, KENDAL

Also serving Sedbergh

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 30th AUGUST 2026

Today's Readings: "Our hearts are made for You, O God..."

Jeremiah has reached the point where following God seems almost too much. His calling has brought ridicule, opposition and suffering, and he decides to remain silent. Yet he cannot: God's word is like "a burning fire" within him. Once God has taken hold of his life, Jeremiah cannot simply walk away. St Peter faces something similar in the Gospel. He has recognised Jesus as the Christ, but now discovers what following Christ will mean. Jesus must go to Jerusalem, suffer, die and be raised. Peter wants a Messiah without the Cross; Jesus tells him there can be no such Messiah. The same challenge comes to us: "Take up his cross and follow me." This doesn't mean searching for suffering — life supplies enough of that without an extra charge! It means offering ourselves to God as the "living sacrifice" St Paul describes: our time, work, relationships, forgiveness and faithfulness. The Mass we celebrate must become the life we live. And we follow Christ knowing where He is leading us. The road of the Cross doesn't end at the Cross. It leads through death into life. That is the hope which belongs to our call.

... and shall not rest until they rest in You."

(St Augustine, from his 'Confessions')

There will be a special collection this weekend for the **CATEW levy**. This supports the operations and central administrative costs of the Catholic Trust for England & Wales, the official legal, financial and charitable body that supports the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales.

***Congratulations** to Veronika Roe Selby who was baptised here recently.*

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETINGS resume this week, 2nd September, at the revised time of 1.15pm.

GRANGE PARISH OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR VACANCY: 9 hours per week, £15 per hour. Closing date 4th September. Role includes office admin, secretarial and basic accounting duties. For a application pack please email StCharles.Grange@lrcd.org.uk

MANNA HOUSE currently face a predicted deficit of £80,000 by end of August 2026. From September 2026, Manna House staff will be reducing hours which will give more time for sustainable solutions to emerge or will face the possibility of closure at the end of 2026. Throughout October there will be an art exhibition and sale at Manna House. On Sunday 4th October where our Women's Group, Sew What, will be selling their wares. A 150k grant of applications is pending. See notice for more details.

TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (END OF LIFE) BILL: This revised assisted suicide Bill will become law if the House of Commons votes for it on Friday 11th September. Please write to your MP to ask him/her to vote against it. There are postcards at the back of church for this.

RIGHT TO LIFE PRAYER: "Let us pray for all those affected by the debate on assisted suicide, that they may be guided by compassion, wisdom, and respect for the dignity of every human life. Lord hear us."

GLOBAL WEEK OF PRAYER: 6th – 13th September. Join in prayer across Kendal. See poster or visit www.stkweb.org.uk/kendalprayerweek2026 for details.

COOP FUNERALCARE OPEN DAY: Aynam Lodge, Bridge Street, Kendal. Pop in for a friendly chat –Friday 4th September, 11am – 4pm. See poster for details.

MASS FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS: Saturday 17th October, 12.15pm, Lancaster Cathedral. The Bishop will celebrate a votive mass of St Luke. Followed by refreshments in the social centre.



We will be starting the Children's Rosary, on Sunday 6th September at 9:15am in the parish centre. The Rosary is for children of all ages but they need to be accompanied by an adult. It is a very relaxed and gentle way for our children to learn more about Our Lady and Jesus and the gift of the Rosary. All welcome.

MASSES WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30th AUGUST 2026

Sun 30 th	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10.00 am: John & Elsa Whenray RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm:
Mon 31 st	Monday of week 22 10.00 am:
Tues 1 st September	Tuesday of week 22 12.00 noon:
Wed 2 nd	Wednesday of week 22 12.00 noon:
Thurs 3 rd	St Gregory the Great 12.00 noon:
Fri 4 th	St Cuthbert 12.00 noon:
Sat 5 th	St Herbert 9.30 am: Mass 10 – 11am: Confessions:and Adoration
Sun 6 th	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10.00 am: Vera McGrath RIP 12.00 noon: People of the parish <u>at Sedbergh</u> 6.00 pm:

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

KIRKBY LONSDALE: Masses at 5.30pm weekday on Thursdays and weekend Saturday Vigil.
Confessions available on request.

Rosary prayed every Tuesday at 4.30pm.

GUIDED HOLY HOUR for World Peace - every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 10am with tea and cakes
at 11am. All welcome.

NO Childrens Liturgy – back on 6th September.

Prayer Ministry & Coffee after Sunday 10am Mass.

Prayer Meetings resume on Wednesday 2nd September at 1.15pm.

Cenacolo Prayers in Oratory 6pm Thursdays.

Divine Mercy Chaplet recited in church 3pm Fridays.

ROTAS:

CLEANERS: Catherine Lomax, Faith Billington, Anne Buchanan (w/c 31st)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Ann Haggin (6th September)

COFFEE: Ministers (6th September)

COUNTERS: Lesley & John Sellar (w/c 6th September)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

LATELY DEAD: Roxane Thompson.

THE SICK: Jamie Banks Wallhead, 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, Janet Merrett, Sylvia Pope.

ANNIVERSARIES: Hilda Foster-Nicholson, Elizabeth Fawcett, Eileen Wilkin, Pearl Braithwaite, Bridie Redfern, Richard Devereux, Edward Bland, Herbert Newell, Clare Marsh, Netta Baxter, Bruna Michelini, Jean Almond, James Ivers.

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

DEACON: Reverend George Bissett

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