

18 - 19 March Cor et Lumen Christi, Wigton: 'Called to Glory IV'. For more information see flyers at back of each church or contact 016973 45623, email: stcuthberts@coretlumenchristi.org

Castlerigg Manor: Easter Retreat 13 - 16 April, open to year 9 upwards. **Family Weekend 28 - 30 April**. Open to all families. **Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 19 - 29 July**. Open to ages year 11 upwards. Prices from £650 by coach (flight information to follow). For more information see website www.castleriggmanor.co.uk/yatm-events/lourdes-2017

26 - 29 Sept 2017: Lancaster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, led by Bishop Michael Campbell OSA. Cost £265, 3 nights full board (sharing). Closing date 22.6.17, contact Paul Briers 01946 834834. Please book early to avoid disappointment. See poster at back of church.

Foodbank. There is a box at the back of St Mary's, St Gregory's and OLSM churches for items of food to help people in crisis. **Shopping List.** Milk (full fat or semi-skimmed UHT), 1ltr carton UHT Fruit Juice, jar/sachet Pasta Sauce, Biscuits/Snack Bars, Cereal (medium size boxes), Tinned Meat, Tinned/Carion Tomatoes, Tinned Fish, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Soup (no cuppa soup), Tinned Rice Pudding, Instant Mash Potato, Tinned Sponge Pudding, Sugar, Jam, Medium bags dried Pasta, Tea Bags/Coffee (medium) **No low calorie food.**

Newsletter. Items for the weekly newsletter should be emailed to: info@workingtoncatholicchurch.co.uk for the attention of Sharon.

HEALTH & SAFETY.

Information is at the back of each church giving details on how to contact the emergency services. Headlights, First Aid Kits and Accident Log Books are situated in each church Sacristy. Please note the First Aid Kits are for minor injuries only.

Beware thieves! Please don't leave valuables on display in your cars. All cars are parked at owner's risk. Be aware that thieves have been known to enter church during Mass and steal from unattended handbags.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Our Parish has 6 Safeguarding Representatives. Names and telephone numbers are on the notice board at the back of each church should you wish to contact them. Alternatively you may contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer: Jane Robinson, 218 Tulketh Road, Ashton, Preston, PR2 1ES. Tel: 01772 728433

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Head: Jackie Kennedy Tel: 01900 873290

Parade Sunday - Explorers reading.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. The third session for the First Holy Communion candidates will take place this Sunday, after the 9.30am Mass for the St Gregory candidates and 11.45am, in Banklands Hall for the OLSM candidates.

New Evangelisation Initiative, Alpha. Thursday, 9 March, 7pm, Banklands Hall. Daniel will be working on a new evangelising initiative in the parish of Christ the Good Shepherd.

The new evangelisation, in real terms, can bring new life into our parish. While we invest heavily in the fabric of the building, it is vital that we invest in the people. Not least those who may not have heard, or been impacting by, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

An Alpha evening consists of a meal, a talk and a discussion. The topics explore the basics of the Christian faith, and can be a great refresher for us if we feel we might have lost the 'fizz' of our faith. Cardinal George Pell said "In an age where there is so much confusion about moral questions, and when there are so many mixed messages, Alpha provides an important and useful means for learning about Christianity and the basic teaching of Jesus Christ."

Alpha is also a very good opportunity to invite people in our lives to come along and find out more about our faith in a relaxed, fun and informal setting. We will be inviting the whole parish to come and enjoy the Alpha journey with us, and to bring along a friend or two. Flyers for this will be available next Sunday.

On completion of Alpha, if in agreement with the Parish Council, Daniel has outlined a plan for further phases of evangelisation which he is willing to run in the parish.

Who is Daniel? Daniel brings a wealth of experience in this area of the new evangelisation, having run similar programmes for 4 years in New Zealand, and during his 5 years as a member of the Cor et Lumen Christi Community here in Cumbria. His work as Lay Chaplain in St Joseph's Catholic High School has also primarily been about evangelisation. Daniel will be working initially on Phase 1, which is to deliver 'Alpha' to the parish, which is a ten week programme.

Daniel will speak briefly at the end of the 10.30am Mass this weekend. He will speak at all Masses the weekend before the first event on Thursday 9 March.

Friday 3 March. The Women's World Day of Prayer is an annual ecumenical event in support and encouragement of women throughout the world. We have agreed to hold a local event for Workington. It will consist of a simple prayer service in OLSM church, 2pm, followed by a tea/coffee in the Stella Maris room. Men are welcome too!!

Sunday Morning Hymns

	SG	OLSM
Entry	608	610
Gloria	406	
Offertory	302	677
Communion	40	329
Recessional	209	544

Finance

Offertory Collection £1739.45
Thank-you for your continued support and generosity.

New members for OLSM choir would be most welcome. We particularly would like some additional male voices. Practices are currently being held for about 30 minutes prior to 10.30am Sunday Mass. **Please consider coming along.**

LITURGY and PRAYER

Please pray for all who are sick, especially Winnie Lewis, Kathleen Sydney, Connie Berwick, Eileen Quinn, Mike Boak, Mary Johnston, Fletcher Ditchburn, Mary Ackerley, Reg Ackerley, Lynn Craine, Margaret Fearon, John Bechelli, Wilma Lace, Joan Houghin, Mary Ryan, Gerald Sharkey, John White, Billy Hennelly, Sheila Wolstenholme, Christine Thompson, Jan Wojcik, Mary Slater, retired Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue, Pauline Hodgson, Alex Glaister, Keith Daglish, Molly Doran, Marion Gray, Richard Johnston, Canon John Watson, Gerard Sloan, Gillian Jardine, Cath Wilson and Barbara Jones.

And those whose anniversaries occur around this time. Harry Wilson, Patrick Haughey, Vernon Sibbald, David McKeating, William Dowse, Ann Thompson, Richard Torley, Richard Torley, Sylvia Rainsford and Ramona Murray.

Baptism. Those wishing to have their children baptised are required to give 6 weeks notice. This will enable us to arrange the necessary preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation. 11-11:25 Saturdays OLSM, on request St Gregory's & St Mary's.

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament each Saturday morning will be dedicated to Vocations for the Priesthood, Diaconate, Religious and Consecrated Life.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS - WEEK BEGINNING 12 FEB

SM: Golden Wedding Adrian & Anne Braniff **OLSM:** Helena Harrison

SG: The Evans & McMillan Families

Dates Available Feb: OLSM - None. SG - 19. SM - None. **March:** OLSM - None. SG - None. SM - 5, **Apr:** OLSM - 30. SG - 2. SM - 9. **May:** OLSM - None. SG - None. SM - 7, 14, 28. **June:** OLSM - 18, 25. SG - 11, 18, 25. SM - None. **July:** OLSM - 23. SG - 16, 30, SM - 2, 9, 23, 30. A suggested donation of £10 for each intention is much appreciated. If you are a tax payer and you wish to Gift Aid your donation please complete a My Gift to Christ Envelope (available at the back of each church) and mark Sanctuary Lamp. (Please let us know which church you would prefer).

Please note the Mass on Tuesday 14 February at St Mary's, 10am, is one Mass with two priests and two Mass Intentions.

TIMES OF MASS FOR NEXT WEEK

Key to Masses: SM = St Mary's, SG = St Gregory's & OLSM = Our Lady & St Michael's

Please take careful note of which church Mass will be held.

Sat 11 Feb 6.00 SM	Our Lady of Lourdes Golden Wedding Adrian & Anne Braniff	Thur 16 Feb 10.00 SM	Feria Pat Herbert
Sun 12 Feb 9.30 SG 10.30 OLSM 6.00 OLSM	6 Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish Helena Harrison Annie & Lawrence Murray	Fri 17 Feb 10.00 OLSM 12.00 SG	Feria Thomas & Lillian McMullen Frank Craine
Mon 13 Feb 10.00 OLSM	Feria Raymond & Gabriel Connolly	Sat 18 Feb 10.00 OLSM 6.00 SM	The Blessed Virgin Mary Margaret Dickinson Cath Sowerby
Tues 14 Feb 10.00 SM 10.00 SM	Sts Cyril & Methodius Ted Brown George Vytialingam	Sun 19 Feb 9.30 SG 10.30 OLSM 6.00 OLSM	7 Sunday in Ordinary Time Julia McCourt Betty & Tommy Potts People of the Parish
Wed 15 Feb 12.00 SG 6.30 OLSM	Feria Denis McDonald Teresa Deacon		

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Recent and Christmas Collections/Donations. Christmas Flowers £348.00; Building & Maintenance 6.4.16 to date £5152.97; Sanctuary Lamps 6.4.16 to date £1320.00; Cafod 6.4.16 to date £1433.21; Family Fast 6.4.16 to date £235.82; Christmas Collection £4363.81; Crib Offering £318.78; SPUC £293.07; Zambia Appeal 6.4.16 to date £368.29.

Convoy Aid Romania. Clothing for Romania can be delivered to Barbara Jones, 7 Gordon Street, Workington (tel. 01900 65306) **up until mid-February**, after which time the collection of donations is being suspended until further notice, due to illness. Thank you for your support to date.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

Thurs 16 Feb: CAFOD Lent Fast Day Briefing. West Cumbria Meeting, 7-8.30pm, St Benedict's Church, Whinlatter Road, Mirehouse, Whitehaven CA28 8BN. All welcome. See poster at back of church.

Fri 17 Feb: Schools close for half term.

Thurs 23 Feb: Soup & Pud will resume in the Stella Maris Parish Room, 12.30pm.

Sat 25 Feb: Marriage Preparation Course, 10 - 4pm, Stella Maris Parish Room.

Wed 1 March: Ash Wednesday.

Fri 3 March: Women's World Day of Prayer, 2pm, Our Lady & St Michael's church (Ecumenical Event).

Sun 5 March: First Holy Communion Candidates: SG - meet after 9.30am Mass. OLSM - meet in Banklands Hall, 11.45am (session 4).

Wed 8 March: Buildings & Finance Committee meet in OLSM Priory, 7pm.

Thurs 9 March: Alpha Course in Banklands Hall, 7pm.

Fri 10 March: Lent Fast Day.

Tues 14 March: Parish Pastoral Council meet in OLSM Priory 7pm (Moved from 28 Feb).