



KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

*Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside
St Charles & St Cuthbert, Grange
Christ the King, Milnthorpe*

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2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C) : 5th December 2021

This Sunday's Scripture

Coming to God afresh should bring joy. In Advent, we are to remove all things that prevent us from receiving Christ with joy. We need to prepare a way for the Lord into our hearts, as St John the Baptist says.

Keeping Faith



Advent Preparations: We are going to set the scene for Christmas. We build the crib throughout Advent. Last week we remembered that the Magi were guided by the star to find Jesus. We follow the guidance of scripture to re-find the presence of Jesus in our lives. Today we bring the animals to the stable to keep it warm, and a manger to make a place for Jesus to be laid. Let us prepare our hearts also to receive Jesus warmly this Christmas.

The Gift: Due to the power cut at Grange and difficult driving conditions at Milnthorpe, last Sunday's session five was cancelled at both venues. We resume with session 5 as follows:

Grange: this Sunday at 10:30am-11:40am

Milnthorpe: No meeting this Sunday. Next Meeting Sunday 12 December at 4.30pm-5.30pm. Session 5 is a very important part of the whole course and all should try their best to attend.

This week's parish intercession is:

We thank You, Lord, for all that we have : encourage us to give of our plenty to those who have so little.

Grange: Morning Prayer 10am Thursdays and Fridays: Prayer is followed by Rosary on Thursdays and by Adoration (Exposition) on Fridays.

Grange: Charismatic Prayer Group: Thursday 9th December 2.00pm – 3.00pm. All welcome.

Keeping Contact

Streaming: Temporary problems.

Grange Over 3 days from last Friday to Monday the power cut stopped broadcasting.

Milnthorpe: Streaming continues from Milnthorpe. The Mass is streamed at 10am Thursday and 10am Friday as usual, with the Sunday Mass at 10.30am. The broadband and streaming should settle down eventually. Patience please!

How to get the streaming -

Go to the website: www.kentestuarycatholicchurches.co.uk and follow the instructions on the homepage for 'live streaming'.

Please note that our streaming will be advertised on the Bishops Conference guide to streaming. The web address is:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE: We are changing our Internet Service Provider shortly. To contact Fr Philip for pastoral and personal matters, please now use the following email:

kentestuarycatholicchurches@gmail.com.

For all business matters, continue with ctkollcc@gmail.com

Keeping Charity

Grange Power Cut: Grange was three days without power from last Friday to Monday. It was very cold. Grange has got many vulnerable people. Based at the United Reformed Church (which still had power) the local community looked after the many frail and elderly. They distributed hot meals and hot drinks and gave much support. Truly a statement of what our society should be doing.

Please pray for the sick of our parishes:

Geoff Critchley, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Stella Naylon, Josie Buckley, Margaret Vincent, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, Christine McIvor, Chris Browne, Libby Stretton, Jenny Hodkinson, Kathleen Lavin, David James, Angela Taylor, Philip Barry, Kath Barnes, Cathy Mayes, Ron Muskett.

Also please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

S.V.P. Give Life this Christmas

We are appealing for funds for the starving babies of Sudan. It costs approximately £60 to feed a child for one year, but any amount is welcome. You will get a certificate which you can either keep, or give as a Christmas card/present. For more information, please ring Liz Lewis on 34017.

World Gifts: Have a CAFOD World Gift under the tree. CAFOD's virtual charity gifts help transform the lives of families living in poverty. Buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts or pick up a catalogue.

Parish World Gift

Please help "Christ the King" raise money to buy a "Community Water Supply" from CAFOD World Gifts. This fantastic gift can help a remote, vulnerable community establish their own supply of clean, safe water. Let us use the season of Advent to show support for those in some of the World's poorest communities.

Mission Boxes : Grange Eric will collect outstanding Mission Boxes next Sunday 12th December. Many thanks.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Arnside

Christmas Masses – for a donation, votive candles available in the name of family or friends, living or dead. All donations will be given to the Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service.

Arnside Advent Adoration – Tuesdays 2.30pm – 3.00pm.

Christians Together Advent Service Readings at Christ the King, Milnthorpe, 4pm Sunday 5th December, followed by refreshments in the hall.

Afternoon Tea Friday 10th December at 1.30pm in the Parish Hall, Milnthorpe. Everyone most welcome.

CAROLS AND READINGS : 7pm on Tues 21 Dec at CTK , followed by seasonal refreshments. Please invite a friend - wear something festive, especially children? (Suggestion with ref to covid: consider doing a flow test beforehand? Tests are quick, simple, and free from any pharmacy)

If you NEED or CAN OFFER a lift please contact :

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Isabel (StCs) - 07773 927240 isabelshelly1@gmail.com

Deirdre (CTK) - 07468 535830 djtrueman56@btinternet.com

Paul Barton CDs – Paul, our organist at Christ The King, has recorded another album and is offering copies for a £10 donation to raise funds for the homeless /local foodbank. His latest album, 'Always', has a mix of popular, Latin American and classical music, including California Dreamin', Thank You for the Music, Besame Mucho, Bring Him Home and Clare de Lune. See Paul after 10.30am Sunday Mass at CTK or call him on 07974 349955 if you're interested.

Grange, Christmas Tree Festival at St Paul's Church: Remains open from Friday 3rd December to Friday 30th December.

Parish Diary:

Sun	5 Dec			2 nd SUNDAY of ADVENT
Sun	5 Dec	10.30-11.40am	Grange	The Gift Session 5
Sun	5 Dec	4.00pm	Milnthorpe	Churches Together Advent Service
Fri	10 Dec	1.30pm	Milnthorpe	Afternoon Tea (Parish Hall)
Sun	12 Dec			3 rd SUNDAY of ADVENT
Sun	12 Dec	4.30-5.40pm	Milnthorpe	The Gift Session 5
Tues	21 Dec	7.00pm	Milnthorpe	Carols and Readings
CHRISTMAS MASSES:				
Friday	24 Dec	7.00pm Vigil Mass Milnthorpe		
Saturday	25 Dec	9.30am Grange		
Saturday	25 Dec	11.00am Arnside		
Sunday	26 Dec	9.30am Grange		
Sunday	26 Dec	10.30am Milnthorpe		
Sunday	26 Dec	11.00am Arnside		

MASSES AND INTENTIONS:

SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C)

Sat Vigil	4 Dec	5.30pm	Arnside	Special Intention – a wedding
Sun	5 Dec	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	5 Dec	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	6 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Parish Intention
Tues	7 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Maureen and Peter Higgins RIP
Wed	8 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention
Thurs	9 Dec	10.00am	Arnside	Private Intention
Thurs	9 Dec	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Private Intention
Fri	10 Dec	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Private Intention
Sat	11 Dec	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention

THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C)

Sat Vigil	11 Dec	5.30pm	Arnside	Benson, Barton & Noble Families RIP
Sun	12 Dec	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	12 Dec	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish

Masses and other services from Grange and Milnthorpe live streamed at times advertised.

- **The Mass is streamed from Grange at 10am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday and 9.00am Sunday**
- **Weekday Masses as advertised. Sunday Masses as usual. No booking needed.**
- **Confessions: Tues: 9.30am – 9.50am Grange; Thur: 9.30am – 9.50am Arnside; Fri: 9.30am – 9.50am Milnthorpe. Also by arrangement with Fr Philip.**

NOTE: Because of rules applying in individual Homes, pastoral visits to Rest Homes and Nursing Homes may be restricted (except in an emergency).

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