



KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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

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<https://www.kentestuarycatholicchurches.co.uk>*

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23rd January 2022

This Sunday's Scripture

Jesus gives us His mission statement in the synagogue at Nazareth. He is anointed and given power by the Holy Spirit to bring the Good News to the poor, to set the downtrodden free and declare the Lord's year of favour. We too are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised. Together we are all Christ's body in this world, and each has a part to play; and together we continue his great mission.

The Conversion of St Paul: (celebrated at Grange). The conversion of St Paul and his being given a God-given mission to the gentiles changed the infant church fundamentally. Instead of being a sect of the Jewish faith, trying to convert Jews alone, it became the foundation of a worldwide church, taking the Good News of Jesus to all nations.

Keeping Faith

The Synod: Communion, Participation and Mission. In preparation for a great Synod of the whole church in 2023, Pope Francis is putting into effect the full involvement of the laity in the life of the church as laid down in Vatican II. Before this, he invites all of us, including those disaffected or critical of the church, to give their honest answers to the above questions by 28th February. Replying is both a privilege and a duty laid on each member of the church. Reply is by completing the discussion papers on the above three topics.

There are three ways of replying:

- **As a parish**, giving our joint responses: This is the preferred method. We will meet Sunday 20th February, at St Charles at about 10.30am after Mass, and at Christ the King at 2.00pm. You will be asked to choose one of the three topics above.

- **Individually on paper.** Take a pack supplied and mail it to Fr. James Burns the diocesan coordinator at **Synod Responses, St Mary of Furness, Victoria Road, Brogden Park, Ulverston, LA12 0BY.**
- If you are unable to attend the meeting(s) and wish to have a pack mailed to you, please contact the parish office.
- **OnLine** and directly to the coordinator via link on parish website. (This is on the home page, just scroll down to ‘Synod Survey’ and click on the ‘Tell Us’ button to participate in the survey).
- Please show this Newsletter to any ‘resting’ or non-practising Catholics, or any other interested persons. Their views are respected and valued,

Holy Spirit Programme meeting of the two parish groups from Milnthorpe and Grange. We heard several moving testimonies last Sunday of how the Holy Spirit had changed people, in the ‘Gift’ (of the Holy Spirit) programme, which took place before Christmas. We also heard suggestions for the future, including further Holy Spirit courses. These are being considered. We must fully release the power of the Holy Spirit into our lives. The Holy Spirit is the power behind the Church which alone will give us strength to witness our Christian faith in a disbelieving world. Pope Francis says the Holy Spirit is “the beating heart in the life of the church”.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. 18-25 January 2022. Please see the unity service from Milnthorpe on our YouTube/Facebook site and pray for unity as Jesus wished “... That they may be one” There are also reflection materials on the Churches Together website:
<https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022/>

This week’s parish intercession is: “Heavenly Father, we pray that You will help all Christians to unite and hear Your call. May they be the salt to the earth and the light to the world”. *Matthew 5: 13-14.*

Grange: Charismatic Prayer Group: Thursday 27th January 2.00pm – 3.00pm. All welcome.

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

Alton Day of Renewal (ADoRE) offer monthly online spiritual retreats. Please click on the link to their website: www.altonrenewal.com and register in order to take part.

Keeping Contact

Streaming: Thank you for comments on the quality of streaming. We are getting it better, and asking for problems to be dealt with. There are some recorded Masses on our YouTube channel.

Website www.kentestuarycatholicchurches.co.uk

Masses are broadcasted at 10am Monday to Saturday (see Mass list showing where); and Sunday 9.00am Grange; 10.30am Milnthorpe.

LADIES' LUNCH Wednesday 2nd February 12 for 12.30 at The Pheasant Inn, Allithwaite. If you would like to attend, please put your name on the list on noticeboard in the church porch.

KEEP SAFE – REMEMBER: HANDS – FACE – SPACE

Keeping Charity

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.

Finance Groups and Parish Councils: Our two finance groups are meeting before the end of the month for the first time since February or March 2020. Following on from our joint parish Rydal meeting in September 2021, our parishes will be having Council meetings when we can arrange them after this, but after the Synodal enquiry in February.

Further details to follow.

Diocesan Directories, 2022 now available, price £4.25

SERVICES AND MASS INTENTIONS

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat Vigil	22 Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	Private Intention
Sun	23 Jan	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	23 Jan	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	24 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Bishop Patrick O'Donoghue RIP
Tues	25 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Paul Tomlinson Anniversary
Wed	26 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Sick of Our Parishes
Thurs	27 Jan	10.00am	Arnside	Private Intention
Thurs	27 Jan	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Streamed Mass of the Day
Fri	28 Jan	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Benefactors
Sat	29 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat Vigil	29 Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	Private Intention
Sun	30 Jan	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	30 Jan	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish

Masses and other services streamed at times advertised.

- **Masses as advertised. Sunday Masses as usual. No booking needed. Masses streamed from Grange Monday Tuesday Wednesday and Saturday at 10am and Sunday 9am; from Milnthorpe Thursday and Friday 10am and Sunday 10.30am.**
- **Confessions: Tues: 9.30am – 9.50am Grange; Thurs: 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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