KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES



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

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FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER 28th April 2024

This Sunday's Scripture

Jesus tells us that He is the vine and we are the branches: cut off from Him, we can do nothing. St John reminds us that we remain in Him through our love of God and our neighbour. We do this by keeping the commandments, which are designed to preserve love towards God and neighbour.

KECC News

Call of the Laity Day at Boarbank: I thank the approximately 45 people who attended the day, from all three of our churches. It became clear that there were groups in all three churches who realised that there was a need to face the near future with a plan and with hope and faith. Your concerns are heard. Together we will plan for the future.

Prayer Anchors: Anchors hold ships steady in harbours and in storms. We need people of prayer to act as anchors to hold our churches steady as we plan for changes in the near future. I ask all those who wish to be a Parish Prayer Anchor, to put their names down on a list. Would all who visit the housebound ask the people they visit to be prayer anchors. The Parish Prayer Anchor will receive a blessed cross, a candle and a prayer card; Prayer Anchors are asked to pray that our churches may flourish, in any way they think best.

World Apostolate of Fatima, First Saturday Devotion

Please think about joining us on Saturday, 4th May at 9.30am when we shall be praying the Rosary for World peace at St Charles, Grange. Holy Mass follows at 10am, after which we spend 15 minutes in meditation. You are very welcome to join in all or part of this lovely devotion.

GRANGE News:

Contemplative Prayer Group: Held on Thursdays in Presbytery sitting room at 2pm.

Morning Prayer in church 10am Thursdays and Fridays followed by Rosary on Thursdays and by Adoration (Exposition) on Fridays.

SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - ST.

CHARLES: There will be Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on SUNDAY 28th APRIL, immediately after the 9am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 12midday. Please put your name on the list in the porch at St. Charles' if you are able to spend sometime watching. Thank You.

Ladies' Lunch: The next Ladies' Lunch is on Wednesday 1st May, 12noon for 12.30 at the Gilpin Bridge Inn. Please sign the list in the church porch if you wish to attend.

FR. PARKER'S 60th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD: Following the Mass of Thanksgiving on SATURDAY 25th MAY at 11am, refreshments will be available in the Fr. Magner room. In order to assist with catering preparations, please put your name on the list at the back of St. Charles' church, if you intend to partake of the buffet refreshments. Thank You.

Eucharistic Ministers: Would ministers who have not done so already, pick up their information pack at the back of the church. Please read through the Guidance for Visitors, which must be followed. Any questions? Please ask me. Fr. Philip.

Offertory Figures for March: Offertory Collections £3068.38; Special Collections £616.57.

Parish Secretary: Marian, our secretary, does an essential job in the parish administration. She has nobody to take over when she is on holiday. If you have some computer skills, would you be willing to sit with her and learn to be her substitute when she is on holiday? Please talk to Marian or Fr Philip.

MILNTHORPE News:

House Group in Yealand. Meets every 1st and 3rd week of the month, Tuesday or Thursday. Also a purely social gathering every 3 months. Contact Sioban (07803 967617) or Deirdre (07468 535830) if interested.

Christ The King church can be open for private prayer at any time. Please ask Fr Philip or any member of the PPC for the door lock codes. (PPC members and contact details on noticeboard in entrance hall at CTK).

Church Security: The doors to the church were left wide open after Sunday Mass and over last Sunday night. Would the last one out please make sure that the doors are locked behind them.

ARNSIDE News:

Our Lady of Lourdes Arnside open for private prayer daily. 10am - 4pm. **Adoration:** Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament at 2pm, followed by the Rosary, every Tuesday.

STREAMING AND CCTV Grange and Milnthorpe: Both streaming systems are now working and should be stable. The CCTV system at Grange is now working.

Ecumenical News

To mark the start of Christian Aid Week, Arnside Christians Together are holding a big breakfast at the Methodist Church on Saturday 11th May between 9.30 and 11am. It has been decided that it would be best if we have a collection after Mass and the money can then be spent on what is needed rather than people bringing food on the day.

Cartmel Quakers will be holding a Peace Meeting on Friday 26 April at 10:30; half an hour of silence followed by tea and coffee and time to talk. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Cartmel Peninsula Churches Together will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 14th May at 7.00pm in St. Paul's church. ALL ARE WELCOME. This is an open meeting, please come along and see what we do.

Please pray for those of our parishes who are sick: Geoff Critchley, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Stella Naylon, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, John Browne, Jenny Hodkinson, David James, Angela Taylor, Philip Barry, Cathy Mayes, Alan Wild, Doreen Wadland, Pat Duckett, Monica Farnworth, Frank Jordan, Geoff Guy, Ira Fishman, George Inchmore, Alex Davies, Mary Wainwright.

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

Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2nd – 6th September. This will be the first pilgrimage since the Pandemic. All-inclusive cost c.£500,00 per person. Coach collection/drop off will take place in Workington, Carlisle, Penrith, Lancaster and Preston. For information and booking details contact Deacon Charlie Conner on 07895 742 732 or email charlie.conner@lrdc.org.uk.

PARISH COUNCILS: Both of our Parish Councils need new members. These councils are active and guide policy as well as encouraging the parish. They will form Parish Leadership Teams in any new parish grouping. Please discuss with Fr Philip if you are interested.

MASS SERVICES AND INTENTIONS

Sat Vigil	27 April	5.30pm	Arnside	Mike & Alice Feely RIP
Sun	28 April	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	28 April	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	29 April	10.00am	Grange	David Groves RIP
Tues	30 April	10.00am	Grange	Prof Patrice Tiffany: thanks for her service on
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Wed	1 May	10.00am	Grange	Eucharistic Service
Thur	2 May	9.30am	Arnside	Fr Tom Foster RIP
Fri	3 May	10.00am	Milnthorpe	

Sat 4 May 10.00am SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER

FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER

Sat Vigil	4 May	5.30pm	Arnside	People of the Parish
Sun	5 May	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	5 May	10.30am	Milnthorpe	Peter Jackson Anniversary

Grange

All Masses and other services normally streamed from Grange and Milnthorpe.

<u>Confessions</u>: Tues: 9.30am – 9.50am Grange; Thurs no confessions this week at Arnside; Fri: 9.30am – 9.50am Milnthorpe. Also by arrangement with Fr. Philip.

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