



KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30th January 2022

This Sunday's Scripture

St Paul says that at the centre of our church there must be self-sacrificing love that is always patient and kind ... and.... delights in the truth. Jesus was rejected by the chosen people, as was Jeremiah for speaking God's truth. With Pope Francis we are renewing our church. In order to do this, Christian unselfish love must be at the centre of our community in order to prevent self-centred destructive attitudes from taking hold.

Keeping Faith

The Worldwide Synod: 'Synod' means walking together (of the parish community). Pope Francis is asking all the laity to take a much fuller part in the work and life of the church. Rightly understood, this will give each of us a deeper sense of involvement and therefore of purpose and satisfaction in being a Catholic. He asks us to think how we do this in our parishes. He wants us to be a supportive family of faith (communion); so that we have the trust to open our spiritual life to development and are motivated to take a fuller part in parish life (Participation); and with this new confidence to be able to witness confidently to our faith in the secular world around us (Mission).

The Synod: Communion, Participation, Mission. Pope Francis is asking us all to complete a survey.

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.

The Presentation of the Lord: (Wednesday) Our Lord is presented to his faithful people represented by the aged Simeon and Anna. He is recognised with joy as the light of the gentiles and the glory of His people Israel. We enter the church with candles lit to welcome Jesus with joy. We are Christ's faithful people meeting the Lord. The candles also represent His light shining out to the world carried by us. We are to be Beacons of the Good News. The Presentation is celebrated at Grange this year on Wednesday.

The Star of Bethlehem: The star over the crib will be taken down after the Presentation Mass. Jesus, our guiding light, is not an external thing like a star in the sky. Jesus is within us, guiding us through scripture church teaching and our consciences.

This week's parish intercession is: "May all nations unite and pursue the things that make for peace". *John 14: 27*

Grange: Christian Meditation Prayer Group: (Contemplative Prayer): Thursday 3rd February in the Fr Magner Room, 2-3pm. All Welcome.

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

Grange: World Apostolate of Fatima- First Saturday is on 5th February. The Rosary will start at 9.30am followed by Holy Mass and ending with 15 minutes meditation. An interesting video to watch on YouTube is "Fatima for Today". The link is <https://youtu.be/96rJGbgYDQG>

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 Milnthorpe: some technical 'glitches' have been found in the system that may be causing interruptions in the streaming. They are being corrected so that the streaming should now be more stable.

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.

KEEP SAFE – REMEMBER: HANDS – FACE – SPACE

Keeping Charity

Please pray for the sick of our parishes:

Geoff Critchley, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Stella Naylor, Josie Buckley, Margaret Vincent, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, Christine McIvor, Chris Browne, Libby Stretton, Jenny Hodgkinson, 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.

'Signing' at CTK : Following the positive reaction to signing at the last 'Prayer and Praise', it was decided to introduce it into the Sunday Mass. Signing is an inclusive form of communication, especially for our young people; and it can support and enhance personal prayer, to watch or use a prayer gesture. Making this a regular feature will, it is hoped, lessen its possible strangeness.

Luncheon at Christ the King in aid of the Dagoretti Project in Kenya: 12.30 pm on Wednesday 23rd February, 2022. For further information, please ring Jean Birch on 015395 61451.

CAFOD's *Walk Against Hunger* Lent challenge

There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

SPUC Collection: SPUC does the essential work of protecting vulnerable people from attack, whether the preborn, the elderly or the handicapped. I forgot to take the collection at Milnthorpe & Arnside on 16 January. Grange did take the collection.

Retiring collection for SPUC in Milnthorpe & Arnside

SERVICES AND MASS INTENTIONS

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
Mon	31 Jan	10.00am	Grange	25 th Wedding Anniversary
Tues	1 Feb	10.00am	Grange	Pierre and Mauricett Thiroit RIP
Wed	2 Feb	10.00am	Grange	Holy Souls
Thurs	3 Feb	10.00am	Arnside	Dorothy Battersby RIP
Thurs	3 Feb	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Streamed Mass of the Day
Fri	4 Feb	10.00am	Milnthorpe	For the Sick
Sat	5 Feb	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat Vigil	5 Feb	5.30pm	Arnside	Irene and Robert Helm RIP
Sun	6 Feb	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	6 Feb	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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