



## **KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES**

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

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### **ELEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

#### **This Sunday's Scripture**

The growth of God's kingdom is the work of God rather than that of human beings, just as the seed sown by human labour owes its growth to powers beyond his control. We are called to be confident Christians who faithfully work to continue God's kingdom on earth, yet we realise that God is in final charge of this world, and of the growth of the Kingdom.

#### **KECC News**

**Prayer Anchors:** Today we bless our parish prayer anchors in a short blessing service. They will receive a holding cross, a candle and the mission prayer. They perform an essential purpose of praying on our behalf for our churches in times of change. Our Mission prayer (taken from the Diocesan Fit for Mission programme (2010) is:

**Father, you call us to share the power and promises of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we become a holy people so alive in the Spirit of loving kindness and justice that we change the world according to Your will and purpose.**

**Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, give me the wisdom to change so that I become the apostle the Father calls me to be.**

**Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, give my parish the courage to change so we become the people the Father calls us to be.**

**Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, give our diocese the holiness to change so we all become the mystical body the Father calls us to be.**

**We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Day for Life, this Sunday:** the weakest human beings are under attack in this country whether they be preborn children or the elderly. Constant vigilance is needed to prevent these attacks becoming law. Retiring collection for the untiring work of our pro-life organisations.

**Feast of Bishop John Fisher & Chancellor Thomas More,** Saturday. They would not sign a denial of Papal authority in matters of faith. Both were beheaded for making this stand for conscience. They represent all who suffer persecution for conscience & denial of human rights.

**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.

**Ladies' Lunch:** Ladies' Lunch for July will be at The Hare and Hounds, Levens. (July 3<sup>rd</sup>).

**RED MISSION BOX HOLDERS ...** Missio Magazines are now available at the back of church.

**Grange PPC** Next meeting 10<sup>th</sup> July, 6.00pm. At the last meeting, Irene Wild and Len Gee were elected as chair and deputy chair for 1 year – this was done to improve continuity of the PPC in expected changes.

**Offertory and Special Collection Figures for May:** Offertory Collections £2332.01; Special Collections £319.08.

**MILNTHORPE News:**

**House Group in Yealand.** Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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).

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm** in Christ the King church hall.

Come and meet Sister Eleanor, a Salesian Sister who is here from Dagoretti, Kenya, and hear the latest news over tea and cake.

**Milnthorpe Area Food Bank:** We are currently low on stocks so please make a donation if you can. Any non-perishable food items are welcome, as well as toiletries and cleaning products. There are collection boxes at Milnthorpe & Arnside churches. Thank you

## **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.

**Please pray for those of our parishes who are sick:** Geoff Critchley, Michael Carter, Pam Gee, Brian Mills, Eileen Parker, John Browne, Jenny Hodgkinson, David James, Angela Taylor, Philip Barry, Cathy Mayes, Alan Wild, 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.**

## **Feedback on 'What Next':**

Thank you to the 22 people who completed the questionnaire. The responses for St Charles have been collated and are displayed in the St Joseph's Chapel. Please do take the time to read them. You will also find a summary of the responses to the 4 questions and the opportunity to think deeper about 'What Next'. The Bishop has accepted an invitation to meet with the PPC from St Charles as a result of the letter we sent. (Copy of the letter can be found in the St Joseph's Chapel) This will be an opportunity for the PPC to talk to Bishop Paul on your behalf and ask him for advice particularly on our Sunday obligation and many other questions and concerns you may have. So please if you have any further questions or concerns, please put them in the PPC box (which you will find in St Joseph's Chapel) by the end of June.

**Lectionaries:** *"Since, in liturgical celebrations the books serve as signs and symbols of the sacred, care must be taken to ensure that they truly are worthy and beautiful"* (Vatican II)

The new altar books are required from Advent 2024. Each of our churches has stated their preference for the size of the lectionaries. Costs as follows: Large Lectionary books x 4 £695.00; compact chapel lectionaries x 4 £395.00 (chosen by Milnthorpe & Arnside); Processional Gospel book for each church: £275.00 (more expensive with a silver front piece).

I am glad to say that as a result of two very generous donations from Grange of £700.00 and £500.00 the lectionaries and a fine gospel book with a silver front piece have been more than paid for. We will be ordering all the books very shortly for all our churches. Donations of whatever size towards those at Milnthorpe and Arnside would be gratefully received.

**DAY of RENEWAL: “Come Holy Spirit”** Led by Maria Hall. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 10am-4pm, at St Clare’s Church Hall, Preston, starting with Mass at 10am at St Clare’s Church.

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT BOARBANK HALL:**

- A long weekend on Catholic Social Teaching (28<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July)
- Thinking Faith summer week (27<sup>th</sup> July – 3<sup>rd</sup> August) on ‘What Catholics Really Believe’,
- A week on Care for Creation (5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> October)
- Advent Hope in Health weekend (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December)

All the events combine talks, prayer, time outdoors and social time. For more information, see [www.boarbankhall.org.uk/whats-on/](http://www.boarbankhall.org.uk/whats-on/) or email Sr Margaret Atkins on [margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk](mailto:margaret@boarbankhall.org.uk).

**MASS SERVICES AND INTENTIONS**

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Year B)**

Sat Vigil	15 June	5.30pm	Arnside	
Sun	16 June	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	16 June	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	17 June	10.00am	Grange	
Tues	18 June	10.00am	Grange	Geoff Stappard RIP
Wed	19 June	10.00am	Grange	Eucharistic Service
Thurs	20 June	10.00am	Arnside	
Fri	21 June	10.00am	Milnthorpe	
Sat	22 June	10.00am	Grange	Tony Leonard RIP

**TWELFTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Year B)**

Sat Vigil	22 June	5.30pm	Arnside	
Sun	23 June	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	23 June	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish

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

**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.

**Clergy: Parish Priest Fr Philip Smith Tel 015395 32731**

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