



## **KENT ESTUARY CATHOLIC CHURCHES**

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

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### **The Baptism of the Lord – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

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

**Baptism of the Lord:** Jesus is the second person of the Holy Trinity made man. At His baptism He takes on our sins. He identifies with the mysterious suffering servant of the Old Testament; the saviour who was to take the sins of His people upon Himself. Jesus comes to suffer with us and for us. He willingly carries out the design of the loving Father to save us, and therefore He is the 'beloved' of the Father.

#### **Keeping Faith**

**'Walk in the Spirit' Gathering** Next Sunday, 2.30pm at Christ the King. For those on our two Gift programmes. We are asked to share our experiences and reflect on the way forward, so that our parishes may 'walk in the Holy Spirit'. Please come. Your reflections are very important. We remember the vital importance to faith of a relationship with the Holy Spirit:

#### **The Holy Spirit makes a vital difference:**

##### **Without the Holy Spirit:**

- God is far away,
- the Gospel is a dead letter,
- the Church is simply an organisation,
- mission a matter of propaganda,
- Christian living a slave morality.

##### **But WITH the Holy Spirit:**

- the risen Christ is there,
- the Gospel is the power of life,
- authority is a liberating service,
- mission is a Pentecost, (i.e. a joyful sharing of faith with others in confidence and power)
- Liturgy is a direct connection with God, making us holy.

(Edited extracts from Orthodox bishop Ignatius di Latakia)

**Liturgy Note:** The Baptism of the Lord this Sunday ends the Christmas season, and begins the ordinary time of the year (green vestments). The weekday Masses from Monday are of week 1 of the Year (year 2) and next Sunday the Mass is of the second Sunday of the Year (Year C)

**This week's parish intercession is:** "We pray that the Spirit of unity will grow in the hearts and minds of all people". *John 17:11- 12C*

**Grange: Charismatic Prayer Group:** Thursday 13th January 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.

**Next Sunday:** Day of **Prayer for Peace**; also the **White Flower Appeal** on behalf of SPUC. SPUC defends pre born life and all vulnerable human beings. Retiring collection next week.

## Keeping Contact

**Grange:** Parishioner needed to write a short article reporting our Church activities for the Grange Now Newspaper each month. This article is also a method of outreach, where we can state who we are in a widely read and acceptable way. Can you help? I thank Pauline Cummings for writing the article to date. *Fr. Philip*

**Website** [www.kentestuarycatholicchurches.co.uk](http://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

**MANY THANKS** to all who contributed to the Sudan babies appeal. Due to your generosity we raised £1,160 (including Gift Aid), enough to feed 25 babies for a year. Well done to you all. Liz Lewis

**Paul Barton CDs** - Paul would like to thank all those who requested CDs and kindly donated towards them. £150 has been raised so far and this has

been equally split and donated to Lancaster & District Homeless and Milnthorpe Food Bank and will greatly assist in their work. God Bless you for your generosity. Happy listening!

### **Huge Thank You- CAFOD Parish World Gifts**

Your amazing generosity this advent has meant that we have not only been able to buy a “Community Water Supply”, but also a “Terrific Toilet” from CAFOD World Gifts (a total of £835-00).

Even with a supply of water that’s safe to drink, without toilets, communities are still vulnerable to diseases like cholera, so this additional gift will make a huge difference to communities living in severe poverty. Julia

### **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 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.**

**Funeral Mass Grange:** Martin Hunt’s funeral Mass is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January at 1.00pm.

**Diocesan Directories, 2022** now available, price £4.25

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for the Finance Groups with enhanced responsibilities. This is an important post, but any commonsense person who wishes to serve our parishes can fulfil this role.

### **ST CHARLES, GRANGE: PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR 100 CLUB**

Since 1975 the St. Charles 100 Club has raised over £27,000 for the Parish and paid out a similar amount in prizes. With 100 members paying £12 a year £600 can be raised for the Parish and £600 paid in prizes. With the lack of social contact in 2021 we raised only £451 and paid out £447. If the 100 Club is to continue its valuable work it needs the support of both EXISTING and NEW members. Thank you.

Ken Taylor (33057)

## SERVICES AND MASS INTENTIONS

### The Baptism of the Lord

Sat Vigil	8 Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	Private Intention
Sun	9 Jan	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	9 Jan	10.30am	Milnthorpe	People of the Parish
Mon	10 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention
Tues	11 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Maureen & Joseph Peter Higgins RIP
Wed	12 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Benefactors
Thurs	13 Jan	10.00am	Arnside	Sick of Our Parishes
Thurs	13 Jan	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Streamed Mass of the Day
Fri	14 Jan	10.00am	Milnthorpe	Parish Intention
Fri	14 Jan	1.00pm	Grange	Funeral Mass Martin Hunt
Sat	15 Jan	10.00am	Grange	Private Intention

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sat Vigil	15 Jan	5.30pm	Arnside	Private Intention
Sun	16 Jan	9.00am	Grange	People of the Parish
Sun	16 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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